

RIBHAC MINUTES

09/01/2022 | Carrie Howton

In Attendance

RIBHAC Members: Carrie Howton, Bob Davis, Susanna Batterman, Pam Goding and Don Lease

Region 1 Members: Lisa Simmons, Holly Brandt, Michelle Fries and Irene Guerrero

Guest Speaker: Sandy Montague-Roes WCHR RN Director

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was present in packets, Don Lease made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Pam Goding. All members voting aye, Motion carried.

Ratify August Agenda

Due to no quorum in the August meeting a ratification of the August agenda was needed. Susanna Batterman made a motion to ratify the August agenda with a second by Bob Davis. All members voting aye, Motion carried.

Ratify August Meeting Minutes

The August minutes were in the Advisory members' packet approval to ratify due to no quorum in the August meeting. Don Lease made a motion to ratify August minutes with a second by Carrie Howton. All members voting aye, Motion carried.

Ratify August Emergency Psych Observation RFP

Lisa presented to the advisory team back in the June meeting that a RFP for services in the northern tier, a resubmission of the RFP was brought to advisory team for approval. Ratification of the RFP, motion made by Bob Davis with a second by Don Lease. All members voting aye, Motion carried.

WCHR Presentation by Sandy Montague-Roes

RN Director Sandy Montague-Roes presented WCHR's PowerPoint.

WCHR's Services

- WCHR's Organizational Chart
 - Program's offered (Behavioral Health Services, Individual & Family Services, Nutrition Services, Health Services, Contracted Services)
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Crisis Response DBH Audit

Network Coordinator Lisa Simmons presented to the Advisory members the DBH audit report results. Region 1 FY22 Services purchased unit review conducted in June 2022, for Crisis Response MH. Division staff verified 100% of the units in the charts were in compliance at 100%.

Disaster Coordination Update

Disaster Coordinator Michelle Fries presented a PowerPoint on the Nebraska Disaster Behavioral Health

- Efforts to boost resilience and support the emotional or psychological health of Nebraskans following a disaster. The purpose of this plan is to provide a framework for organizing the Region 1 Behavioral Health response to disasters. Nebraska Disaster Behavioral Health current plan can be found at <http://www.disastermh.nebraska.edu/resources/currentplan.php>.
- Discussed the Nebraska Strong Project and the data collected and their success.

ARPA Funding

RA Holly Brandt presented a PowerPoint on the ARPA funding.

- BHECN established in 2009
- Created to address the shortage of behavioral health providers in rural and underserved areas.
- ARPA funding categories: Behavioral Health Training Opportunities, Telebehavioral health support in rural areas.
- RFP are open to any provider/organization in Nebraska.
- Applicants can request funding for up to 3 years.

Homeless Shelter Update (Standing Item)

Don Lease informed the members that meetings are still being held.

Questions from non-members

Lisa Simmons informed the members that going forward other Providers will be special guests and presenting to the Advisory members on the services that they offer.

Questions from members

N/A

Next Meeting

10/06/2022 at 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., Region 1 Boardroom

Motion to adjourn was made at 2:37 p.m. and was passed unanimously.