

REGION II
Behavioral Health Board

MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

August 12, 2021-- 1:30 PM

Zoom Conference Meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions

website: www.riibhb.idahopublichealth.com

Zoom Conference Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86872945794?pwd=bzRVT2t4cEEwZE5RYnRhaDIzWEFQdz09>

1. Roll Call, Welcome, and Introductions

Board Members

x	Dianne Baumann		Sharlene Johnson		Pam Lopardo		Jenny Teigen
x	Sara Bennett	x	Darrell Keim		Lisa Martin	x	Michael Wraith
	Terema Carlin	x	Diane Kovach		Mike Ponzozzo		
x	Megan Comstock	x	Shari Kuther	x	Suzi Quintal	x	Dean Allen
x	Kathy Connerley	x	Kathie LaFortune	x	Jim Rehder	x	Dustin Hibbard
x	Beverly Fowler	x	Tom Lamar		John Rusche	x	Todd Hurt
x	Chris Goetz	x	Deborah Lind	x	Skye Taylor		

Others In Attendance: Caitlin Rusche, Sharlisa Davis, Karen Kopf, Laura Thayer, Elaine Dufford, Wendy Stoneberg, Loretta Bradley, Shaun Hollace

2. **Approval of July BHB Minutes (Action Item):** Motion made by: Darrel Keim Seconded by: Kathy LaFortune. Motion passed
3. **Financial report—Carol/Perri:** Caitlin Rusche reported there were no payments made in the month of July for board activities and no payment requests to the board.
4. **Harm Reduction project update from Board of Health action—Carol/Board:** Jim will report any updates as they come in
5. **CIT update—Laura:** Laura Thayer reports July 19-22 training trained 22 officers out of 4 of our 5 counties. The Lewiston Police department was the sponsor and each participant got 32 hours of Post approved credits. Moscow Police Department is planning to sponsor a training in October 2021. Date will be established when the new Moscow police department building is ready.
6. **Needs and Gaps document finalized—Sara/Board:** Currently completed document from the housing committee. Other committees will get them finalized in the next couple weeks.
7. **State Regional BHB Needs and Gaps posted to central website—Board:** Jim reported he has asked Central office to put Needs and Gaps from each region on a state website where the documents can be reviewed easily. Being able to see what other BHB regions are doing is helpful in our planning.
8. **Notice of expiring Board terms on Dec 31, App deadline Oct 27—Board:** There are 8 board position terms expiring on Dec 31. October 27th is the deadline for applications to get to the Appointing Authority so a decision can be made and the results presented t the Board at the November meeting.
9. **Recovery Community Center Latah/Nez Perce Counties—Darrell/Shawn:** Darrell reported they have a Recovery festival coming up and they are anticipating 100-130 people. They have moved it to the city

park. They have been operating a syringe exchange and average 30-40 monthly. They hand out about 200 condoms and they are handing out Narcan. Darrell identified legalizing fentanyl test strips. Dustin reported NezPerce county is working to hand out Narcan. Shawn was able to get \$50,000 for this year and next, hoping it will become a line item in the future. They are working to find a forever home as well as additional new board members.

10. BHB Subcommittee Members, Reports and Board Discussion

–**CMH**- Laura reported they met last month and reviewed their needs and gaps. They had a lot of discussion about a large variety of needs throughout the area. They are scheduled to meet again today. Laura will send Needs and Gaps update to Sara this week.

–**ABH**- Shari Kuther reported the committee was unable to meet in July and August. She reported a shift in 18-211 cases that are increasing and taking additional beds at SHN. Awaiting information about how to move forward with the IBHC recommendations, currently at the Governor's office. Shari agrees it makes sense to merge the telehealth committee with ABH committee. Discussed the lack of trained providers within our region and the benefit of telehealth in this area. Todd Hurtt discussed the need of trained RN's throughout the state.

–**Housing**- The needs and gaps were completed last month. They will be meeting once again next month.

–**Telehealth**- Dean Allen reported they have not had a meeting at this time. They have completed their goals through telehealth training. They worked with the Idaho Counseling association to establish a list of the counselors in Idaho that accept telehealth clients. In moving forward Dean is hoping the telehealth committee can be combined with the ABH committee. No proposals for this upcoming year for the needs and gaps, due to the lack of ability to meet. Jim Rehder discussed the lack of broadband access as a continued need in the telehealth area. Next month we will vote to discuss merging the two committees.

–**Prevention**-Sharlene Johnson is not present at this meeting. Caitlin Rusche reported there was no meeting this past month. It was reported Sharlene has completed the Needs and Gaps. Sara will check with her to get them to add the annual document.

11. Public Input: Laura Thayer reported Children's Mental Health, Region 1 and 2, has a contract in place for crisis respite. Laura will send the flyer to Jim to dispersed. It will be provided at Children's Village in Coeur D'Alene. Crisis respite can be requested by families who are not engaged in treatment with Children's mental health. They call Children's village and request an assessment and admission, they will also provide some services upon discharge.

Wendy Stoneberg reported they are working on their recovery month. They have some swag for the recovery centers. They worked with DBH along with the digital toolkit. They have pins, window clings and t-shirts. For suicide prevention month they will support local events that are being help, along with provide swag.

Sharlisa asked Darrell about options for the Recovery festival with the increased COVID numbers. He reported it will be held outside and individuals can wear masks.

Jim reported we will continue with zoom due to the increased COVID numbers.

12. Next BHB Meeting – September 9, 2021

13. Meeting Adjourn: