

**FAIRFAX FALLS-CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
SERVICE DELIVERY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 14, 2023**

The Service Delivery Oversight Committee met in regular session at the Sharon Bulova Center, 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Level 3, Room 3-314, West, Fairfax, VA 22031

1. Meeting Called to Order

Committee Chair Anne Whipple called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

2. Roll Call, Audibility and Preliminary Motions

PRESENT: **BOARD MEMBERS:** COMMITTEE CHAIR ANNE WHIPPLE; ROBERT BARTOLOTTA; DARIA AKERS; SHEILA JONAS; CAPTAIN DANIEL WILSON; EVAN JONES

ABSENT: **BOARD MEMBERS:** SRILEKHA PALLE; LARYSA KAUTZ

Associate Members in Attendance: Diane Monnig, The Arc of Northern Virginia; Brenda R Richardson, Service Source; and Tonya Henderson, Recovery Program Solutions of Virginia.

Staff in Attendance: Deputy Director of Community Living Barbara Wadley-Young, Deputy Director of Administrative Operations Jean Post, Legislative and Grants Analyst Elizabeth McCartney, Division Director of Community Residential Services Liv O'Neil, Division Director of BHOP Eileen Bryceland, and Board Clerk Sameera Awan.

3. Matters of the Public

None were presented.

4. Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was provided for review, no amendments were made.

5. Approval of Minutes

Meeting minutes of the April 12, 2023, Service Delivery Oversight Committee were provided for review.

MOTION TO ADOPT WAS APPROVED BY ANNE WHIPPLE; DARIA AKERS; SHEILA JONAS; ROBERT BARTOLOTTA AND CAPTAIN DANIEL WILSON.

6. Legislative Update

Legislative and Grants Analyst Elizabeth McCartney shared that there is still a need for agreement on the State Budget negotiations. Although the proposed budget amendments for the second year of the bi-annual budget do not require agreement, the CSB closely monitors the

situation, primarily since some of the amendments are related to Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability. There will be a significant turnover in the General Assembly, with 30 members leaving and all 140 seats up for reelection. This is partly due to redistricting, which has led to many retirements, even in Fairfax. Despite the potential for change, there is hope that the primary elections will bring together a cohesive group to address the budget.

7. Service Source

Brenda R Richardson, the Executive Director at Service Source delivered a presentation on Agency Overview and Lessons Learned to Service Source, a non-profit organization that aims to promote services, resources, and partnerships to help individuals with disabilities build more inclusive communities. Service Source is dedicated to surpassing the needs and expectations of people with disabilities, government contracting officers, and local business owners. They offer a range of tailored programs for individuals, families, employers, and corporate partners.

Committee Member Evan Jones brought up an important point regarding Service Source during the discussion on the legislative agenda. Evan highlighted that while Service Source has its programs and initiatives, it also actively engages with the Virginia Mental Health Access Program (VMAP). Notably, the CSB is a participant in VMAP, and one of its valued team members, Legislative and Grants Analyst Elizabeth McCartney, plays an active role in it. VMAP is a significant statewide initiative aimed at enhancing the quality of care for children and adolescents facing mental health challenges. It achieves this by providing valuable provider education and increasing access to essential resources, such as child psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and care navigators. Evan's observation underscores the collaboration between Service Source and VMAP, which undoubtedly contributes to the betterment of mental health services for those in need.

8. Associate Member Reports, Updates and Concerns

Tonya Henderson, the Executive Director of Recovery Programs Solutions of Virginia, introduced herself and her organization to the CSB Board. RPSV was established to address the unmet needs of adults and seniors in Northern Virginia struggling with mental health and substance abuse issues. Currently, RPSV serves residents in the Alexandria, Arlington, and Fairfax/Falls Church communities and is looking to expand to other jurisdictions to help more individuals in need. RPSV invited the CSB Board to visit and tour their programs.

9. Staff Reports

Deputy Director of Community Living Barbara Wadley-Young announced upon Lyn Tomlinson's retirement Abbey May would take over as the new Deputy Director of Clinical Operations. The CSB organizational structure is undergoing changes, with the Medical Services Director being included in the Executive Leadership team to enhance integrated healthcare and improve service delivery outcomes. The Board of Supervisors (BOS) has tasked the CSB with developing innovative proposals to enhance youth services in response to the rising substance use in residential services.

Deputy Director of Administrative Operations Jean Post shared some significant milestones achieved by the CSB's regional office. They successfully submitted a grant application to the Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) and had a productive follow-up discussion with the OAA Director, further strengthening their partnership. Regarding the Crisis Receiving Center, there are some developments to note. RI has exited the location in Chantilly, and currently, no services are being provided there. It appears unlikely that the lease will be executed by the end of the month. However, Connections Health Solutions, who are involved in the project, have requested alterations to the buildout. They plan to commence services in one-half of the premises while the other half is under construction. Further updates on this matter will be provided in due course.

There was a notable Community Dedication Ceremony organized by the PWC Board of County Supervisors and Connections Health Solutions, with a special focus on the Prince Williams County (PWC) Crisis Receiving Center (CRC). The event was attended by prominent figures such as the Governor, local and state officials, and community leaders. The PWC CRC is under construction and will cater to the general population, offering 16 23-hour observation units and 16 crisis residential beds for adults in mental health crisis, with an average stay of three to five days. Plans also include eight 23-hour observation units and eight crisis residential beds for youth once the CRC is completed.

10. Adjournment

Committee Chair Anne Whipple made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 PM.

August 9, 2023

Date Approved

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Sameera Awan

Clerk to the Board