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**Spokane County Regional Behavioral Health
(Administrative Services Organization) Division (SCRBH)
Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Meeting**

Meeting Date: March 25, 2019	Location: CSHCD Building, 5th Floor	Start Time: 3:00 p.m. Adjourn Time: 4:15 p.m.
Attendance:	X=Present	E=Excused
Name		U=Unexcused
		Representing
Alex Knox	E	Spokane County
Brian Standow	E	Spokane County
Craig Davenport	X	Spokane County
Dr. Michael Lemberger	X	Spokane County
Dr. Michael Mainer	X	Spokane County
Ed Hoffing	X	Spokane County
Floyd Lee	X	Spokane County
Gail Kogle	X	Spokane County and North East Counties Ombuds
Jessica Watson	X	Spokane County and North East Counties Ombuds
John Nowels	E	Spokane County Sheriff's Office
Kathleen Torella	X	CSHCD SCR BH
Kim Taylor	X	Spokane County
Kurtis Robinson	E	Spokane County
Nancy Locke	X	CSHCD SCR BH
Ronald Bacon	E	Ferry County Position
Tom Gose	X	Consumer Consultation Panel (CCP)
Tonya Stern	X	CSHCD SCR BH
GUESTS		
Liz Perez	X	Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)
Nathan Corduan	X	Frontier Behavioral Health (FBH)

AGENDA / MINUTES:

- Welcome and Introductions – Dr. Michael Mainer**
 - The February 25, 2019 meeting minutes were approved, as written.
- Presentation: Process and Timeline for Three Levels of Detention – Nathan Corduan, Frontier Behavioral Health**

- Nathan Corduan, the Chief Psychologist for FBH, briefly explained the process for the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 7105 (Adult) and 7134 (Minor) detention.
- Once a Designated Crisis Responder (DCR) determines an individual meets detention criterion under the RCW 7105 or 7134, an individual is admitted to a facility. At that point, FBH is involved as a second opinion to the treating physician/psychiatrist, a petition for the 14-day hold is written and submitted to the court, and a hearing is scheduled within 72 hours. Once the petition is submitted, the Public Defender's Office is appointed to represent the individual. The Public Defender meets with the Individual to ask if they will contest or agree to the detention. If at the end of their 14-day detention additional time is needed, and the Individual meets the criteria, another petition is filed and the process begins again. It is FBH's responsibility to monitor each case through until discharge.
- Nathan Corduan's contact information – Office phone number (509) 838-4651, Ext 354820, and email address NCorduan@fbhwa.org.

3. Spokane County Administrative Updates

- a. Quality Review Team Letter – *Tonya Stern*
 - The board approved and signed a letter written to the Health Care Authority (HCA) for consideration of funding a Quality Review Team.
- b. Spokane Board of County Commissioners Decision on Mental Health Residentials – *Kathleen Torella*
 - With the implementation of integrated managed care in the Spokane Regional Service Area, effective January 1, 2019, the responsibility for Medicaid individuals' overall physical and behavioral health needs (referred to as "whole person" care) was transferred to the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) under contract with the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA). At the same time, the long-term care needs of Medicaid individuals are, and has been for several years, the responsibility of Washington State Department of Social and Health Services' (DSHS) Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (AL TSA) and Home and Community Services (HCS).

Based on this and the integrated managed care transformation in the Spokane Regional Service Area, the Spokane Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) made the decision on February 26, 2019 to discontinue funding mental health residential services for Medicaid individuals, effective December 31, 2019. This decision was supported by recommendation from the Governor's Office to Spokane County to transition the funding of these services from county resources to other state resources and funding streams for Medicaid individuals, thus, making Spokane County consistent with all other counties in the state in this regard.

Effective immediately, the decision to continue these mental health residential and associated support services in the Spokane region for Medicaid individuals will be based on the determination of DSHS ALTA, HCS, HCA, and the HCA contracted MCOs for the Spokane region, who are provided with state funding for this purpose. These decisions will be made in concert with the MH residential facility providers and the Medicaid eligible individuals. Spokane County will provide support to these entities, the service providers, and the individuals involved as the necessary assessments/reviews are completed and appropriate services are approved/accepted/provided/continued as part of the transition plan.

- c. Conference Room Name Approval – *Kathleen Torella*
 - Kathleen advised that the 5th floor conference room was approved to dedicate to Harold (Hal) Wilson. A plaque will be made in memory of Hal to be mounted on the wall outside the 5th Floor conference room. The family will be contacted to attend the dedication.

4. Ombuds Report - Gail Kogle and Jessica Watson

- The February Ombuds monthly report was presented. The MCO's were asked to share specific agency statistics for grievances. The response by some MCOs was refusal and others have yet to reply.
- The Ombuds brochures have been translated into Spanish.
- Dr. Mainer suggested to define the acronyms in future reports. In addition, to email out any additional paper work pertaining to the report to the board in advance of the meeting.

5. Consumer Pulse – Tom Gose advised that the February 2019 CCP meeting was canceled due to weather conditions.

6. Board membership comments:

- *Dr. Mainer* - A discussion was had on the Supervised Injection Facilities and the impact on the community. Dr. Mainer will provide this article to the Prosecutors, County Commissioners, and Sheriff for their information.
- A Community Connected: Addressing the Opioid Crisis Together, **free** symposium, with feature speaker, Tony Hoffman, will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, from 5:00-8:30p.m., at the Riverside Place - Downtown Spokane. Interested attendees may register at: acomunityconnected.eventbrite.com

DECISIONS:

- The February 25, 2019 minutes were approved, as written.

ACTIONS:

- Once the 5th floor conference room dedication plaque for Hal Wilson is made, Nancy Locke will contact Hal Wilson's family to check on availability to attend the dedication of the room.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION:

April 22, 2019 - 3:00 p.m. / CSHCD Building, 5th Floor

Name of recorder:

Nancy Locke