



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

Meeting Date:  
**January 27, 2020**

Location:  
**CSHCD Building, 5th Floor**

Start Time: **3:00 p.m.**  
Adjourn Time: **4:30 p.m.**

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>X=Present</b>	<b>E=Excused</b>	<b>U=Unexcused</b>
<b>Name</b>		<b>Representing</b>	
Alicia Paschall	X	Spokane County	
Alex Knox	X	Spokane County	
Angela Quadry	X	CSHCD SCR BH	
Brian Standow	X	Spokane County	
Craig Davenport	X	Spokane County	
Jennifer Jacobson	E	Stevens County	
Dr. Michael Lemberger	X	Spokane County	
Dr. Michael Mainer	X	Spokane County	
Ed Hoffing	X	Spokane County	
Floyd Lee	E	Spokane County	
Gail Kogle	X	Spokane County and North East Counties Ombuds	
Jessica Watson	X	Spokane County and North East Counties Ombuds	
John Nowels	X	Spokane County Sheriff's Office	
Kathleen Torella	X	CSHCD SCR BH	
Kim Taylor	X	Spokane County	
Kurtis Robinson	U	Spokane County	
Nancy Locke	X	CSHCD SCR BH	
Ronald Bacon	X	Ferry County	
Tom Gose	X	Consumer Consultation Panel (CCP)	
Tonya Stern	X	CSHCD SCR BH	
<b>GUESTS</b>			
Liz Perez	X	Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)	
Jen Morris	X	Spokane Resource EnVision Center	
Tim Sigler	X	City of Spokane	

**AGENDA / MINUTES:**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions – Dr. Michael Mainer**

- The November 25, 2019 meeting minutes were approved, as written.

## 2. **Presentation: Spokane Resource Envision Center (SRC) - Jen Morris, Director**

- The Center is located on the second floor of the Work Source building at 130 S. Arthur St., Spokane, WA 99202. They have 15 agency partners, 12 of which are located on site.
- The Spokane Resource flyer and Intakes Data for April through December 2019 were reviewed.
- The SRC has multiple grants:
  - (a) \$1.7 Million Dollars Governor's Economic Security for All Grant to help people at or below the 220% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) who live in zip codes 99201, 99202, and 99207, which are the areas with the highest amount of Individuals on food benefits. The grant will also help Individuals who are working that do not make enough to cover needs who can come to the Center and receive employment/training services;
  - (b) Pioneer Human Services (PHS) wrote a \$1.5 Million Dollars Reentry Services Grant for Individuals who have been released from jail, are currently on probation/or paroled, and are 26 years of age or older. A 3-week class is provided to learn more cognitive behavioral skills. Upon completion of the class, an Individual will graduate and be placed with a PHS Case Manager to assist them with finding employment and housing;
  - (c) A 33-month Job Readiness Grant will help Individuals with training. Individuals will not be supported month-to-month while being trained. If someone is homeless, the Center would assist with finding housing; and
  - (d) A \$200,000 Housing Grant to help Individuals to stay in housing, with a pay or vacate or eviction notice, or someone who is homeless and needs help to get into housing, or help with transportation/vehicle repair.
- Anyone can receive services from the Center. If a service is not available on site, Individuals will receive a warm handoff with other contacts for the service(s) they need.
- Even though the Center does not have a database, Tables Ready software is being utilized to capture all Individuals that come into the Center, where Individuals have been, and what resources they have received.

## 3. **SCRBH (ASO) 2019 Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Work Plan Annual Evaluation – Angela Quadry**

- The 2020 QAPI Work Plan was reviewed. The Work Plan may be accessed on the CSHCD website, under the Behavioral Health section at the bottom of the page, via this [link](#).
- The 2019 Evaluation Report, which includes the Crisis Data Dashboard Quarterly Comparisons and Third Quarter Reports (July-September 2019), and the Crisis Services flyer handouts were presented.

## 4. **Spokane County Administrative Update**

### a. **Legislative Update – Kathleen Torella**

- Kathleen reviewed the executive summary of the four, statewide county-operated BH-ASOs' top 2020 legislative priorities; including specific funding amounts for the six-county Spokane Regional Service Area (SCRBH-ASO). The top priorities are: (1) Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Court Funding, (2) Non-ITA/Non-Crisis Inpatient Behavioral Health Services for Eligible Non-Medicaid Individuals (at or below the 220% FPL), (3) Direct Services Support Rate, and (4) County Owned Behavioral Health Facilities.
- These priorities include the top Behavioral Health priorities as the Washington State Association of Counties' (WSAC). The focus and energy of the BH-ASO is to work on priority number 1 and 2

with the legislature at this point in time. The legislation session ends March 12, 2020 if it does not go into any extensions.

- b. **House Bill 2386 – Creating the State Office of the Behavioral Health Ombuds – Tonya Stern**
  - If the bill is passed, Behavioral Health Ombuds offices that are supported by each Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization to serve a particular region, will be discontinued on December 31, 2020, to be replaced with the State Office of the Behavioral Health Ombuds to coordinate the activities of Behavioral Health Ombuds across the state.
  - The bill is predicted to pass with language re-writes. The goal seems to be to get every type of Ombuds there is in the state for different types of services all under one state office.
- c. **Board Members’ Meeting Attendance Review – Tonya Stern**
  - Kurtis Robinson attended one meeting in 2019. His board term expires end of February 2020 and attempts, with no response, have been made to connect with him about his board intentions. If anyone connects with Kurtis, please request that he contact either Tonya Stern or Nancy Locke.
- d. **May 25, 2020 Meeting Canceled – falls on Memorial Day.**

**5. Ombuds Report - Gail Kogle and Jessica Watson**

- The November and December 2019 Ombuds monthly reports were reviewed.

**6. Consumer Pulse – Tom Gose** read the minutes from the November and December 2019 CCP meetings.

**7. Board –**

- a. Membership comments - None
- b. Election of new Board Officers will be deferred until the February 24, 2020 meeting.

**DECISIONS:**

- The November 25, 2019 minutes were approved, as written.
- The Board motioned to extend current board leadership until the February 24, 2020 meeting.

**ACTIONS:**

- Email Nancy Locke with new board leadership nominations prior to the February 24, 2020 meeting.

**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION:**

**February 24, 2020 - 3:00 p.m. / CSHCD**

**Name of recorder:**

Nancy Locke