



**SPOKANE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY SERVICES, HOUSING, AND  
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**Spokane County Regional Behavioral Health  
(Administrative Services Organization) Division (SCRBH)  
Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Meeting**

Meeting Date: <b>June 22, 2020</b>	Location: <b>Zoom meeting/conference call</b>	Start Time: <b>3:00 p.m.</b> Adjourn Time: <b>4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>X=Present</b>	<b>E=Excused</b>
<b>Name</b>	<b>U=Unexcused</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Alex Knox	X	Spokane County
Alicia Paschall	X	Spokane County
Brian Standow	E	Spokane County
Craig Davenport	X	Spokane County
Jennifer Jacobson	U	Stevens County
Dr. Michael Lemberger	X	Spokane County
Dr. Michael Mainer	X	Spokane County
Ed Hoffing	E	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
James Mires	X	Stevens County At-Large Rep.
John Nowels	X	Spokane County Sheriff's Office
Kathleen Torella	E	CSHCD SCRBH
Kim Taylor	X	Spokane County
Leta Phillips	E	Ferry County At-Large Rep.
Nancy Locke	X	CSHCD SCRBH
Ronald Bacon	U	Ferry County
Tom Gose	X	Consumer Consultation Panel (CCP)
Tonya Stern	X	CSHCD SCRBH
<b>GUESTS</b>		
Justin Johnson	X	CSHCD SCRBH
Liz Perez	X	Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)
Maureen Correia	X	Molina Healthcare

**AGENDA / MINUTES:**

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

- a. The February 24, 2020 meeting minutes were approved, as written.
2. **Presentation: SCR BH (AS) July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 MHBG Plan for BHAB approval in order to meet the HCA Deliverable June 29<sup>th</sup> – Justin Johnson**
  - Plan areas/sections where funding would be applied were briefly reviewed. The total plan allocation is \$536,058.
  - The funds are for mental health services for the severely and persistently mentally ill, covering children and adults. In addition, it fills in where Medicaid and non-Medicaid dollars do not cover.
  - The SCR BH SFY July 1 – June 30, 2020-2021 MHBG Plan in the handouts can be referred to for more information on other funding services.
  - The board motioned and approved the plan.
3. **Presentation: SCR BH (AS) July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 SABG Plan for BHAB approval in order to meet the HCA Deliverable June 29<sup>th</sup> – Tonya Stern**
  - Plan areas/section where funding would be applied were briefly reviewed. The total plan allocation is \$2,161,604.
  - These funds are allocated on a state fiscal year which is July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, not a calendar year.
  - This plan does not identify providers like the MHBG but rather it is identified by categories and sub-categories. The FY 2021 SCR BH ASO SABG Plan in the handouts can be referred to for more information on categories.
  - The board motioned and approved the plan.
4. **Spokane County Administrative Update**
  - a. **Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on the Delivery of Behavioral Health Services – Tonya Stern**
    - A review of some of the resources and status of the Recovery Café Spokane was provided.
    - As of March 1, 2020, all services moved from in-person to online. The Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) funded Zoom licenses for each Behavioral Health clinician.
    - Washington State cell phone companies extended Lifeline services to eligible clients.
    - FEMA is funding the Washington Listens call line for anyone in the state, regardless of income, to call for support from stress they are experiencing from COVID-19.
5. **Ombuds Reports – January-May 2020 - Gail Kogle and Jessica Watson**
  - A broad overview of information was provided.
  - Because of COVID-19, people have been more concerned about immediate needs than Grievances, so the monthly numbers have gone down.
6. **Consumer Pulse – Tom Gose** read the minutes from the February 2020 CCP meeting.
7. **Board –**
  - a. Membership comments –
    - *Dr. Lemberger* asked for the board's thoughts on the frequency of future meetings and meeting format. The board will continue to meet monthly unless there are no issues to discuss. The Zoom meeting platform worked for the board's purpose to utilize for whatever timeframe the CSHCD SCR BH telecommutes.
    - The board motioned and approved to take the month of August 2020 off.

**DECISIONS:**

- The February 24, 2020 minutes were approved, as written.
- The MHBG and SABG Plans were approved by the board.

**ACTIONS:**

- Tonya Stern will include the board on resource communications.

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

**July 27, 2020 - 3:00 p.m. /** Zoom meeting

**Name of recorder:**

Sue Grant