

MEETING:	MHLAC	MEETING DATE: June 1, 2017	MEETING TIME: 12:00 pm
LOCATION:	Holy Rosary Healthcare, Rm 34	CHAIRPERSON: Vacant	
PRESENT:	Antonia Klein, Brenda Kneeland, Jennifer Winkley, Jeanne Vetch, Beth Ann Wiedeman, Kathleen Kaiser, Kathy Dyba, Ken Holmlund, LeAnn Harrison, Sarah Lewin		
TOPIC	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION	Timeline
Elevate Montana	Antonia shared email from Todd Garrison and the LAC discussed the need for a master trainer in eastern Montana. Antonia will forward Todd's email to the listserv for further discussion at July's meeting.	Will re-visit discussion in November 2017	November 2017
Let's Get OPENN (Observe, Protect, Engage, Nourish, Notify)	Ken Holmlund presented a potential school program for combating bullying and suicide prevention and its history. Nine suicide prevention bills were presented to the Legislature which made Ken wonder about the degree of effectiveness in current measures for suicide prevention. Ken believes a power greater than he gave him an idea to contribute a method to combat an issue that is personal to him, having lost a son to suicide. His idea was to give students in the schools tools to use when observant of others being bullied. Ken's design is to use peers as ambassadors in the school setting who are willing to play that role. The impetus behind OPENN is to stop bullying and be aware of signs of suicidal behaviors. Ken became familiar with some of the Legislative pages during the last session and in discussions with the pages they told Ken they didn't know how to respond in situations like bullying and if a peer was at risk of suicide. Ken will be presenting to Class A schools Tuesday at Fairmount Hot Springs. At the present time OPENN is not intended to be a bill before the Legislature asking for money. Ken's idea was to form a non-profit and applied through the Secretary of State, classifying it as a non-profit. Ken is seeking donations for travel that potentially will be incurred for trainings. Ken is seeking funding sources and the members discussed some ways he can do that. Ken discussed the program with Scott who might coordinate with the high school student council. Let's Get OPENN has a Facebook page.	Ken will report the status of the OPENN program development at the July meeting.	

<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Miles City Fire Department</p>	<p>Jeanne reported that the Presbyterian Church donated over \$400 making the balance in the account around \$6,000.</p> <p>Sarah Lewin, Director of EMS reported that she attended the National Fire Academy training conference on Emergency Medical Services Management held in Maryland. Sarah had the opportunity to participate in classes on mental health and suicide prevention. Sarah reported that a Fire Training Center will be built for Miles City and surrounding areas that will be able to participate in trainings. They are hoping it will be built on land behind the fire department,</p>	<p>Update at July meeting</p> <p>Update at July meeting.</p>	
<p>EMCMHC</p>	<p>Brenda Kneeland, new Director at the EMCMHC introduced herself and looks forward to being a part of the BHLAC. Brenda shared her comprehensive background in mental health where she was employed at Pine Hills School overseeing mental health services and in private practice.</p>	<p>Update at July meeting</p>	
<p>Strategic Planning</p>	<p>Mental Health First Aid class will be scheduled for September. Antonia reported that the ESAA has donated the cost of 30 manuals for the upcoming training.</p>	<p>Update at July meeting</p>	
<p>Film Festival</p>	<p>Dates for the film festival will be Thursday, June 22, July 20, and August 17 at MCC, Room 106, 6:30-8:30. The first film will be "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" with Jack Nicholson, Louise Fletcher, Will Sampson, and Christopher Lloyd. Antonia will email Jeanne the information to schedule the event through MCC scheduler, Candy Laney.</p>	<p>Update at July meeting</p>	
<p>Transportation</p>	<p>LeAnn reported that the Council on Aging was instrumental in securing grant funding for two vans and which the County Commissioners approved. One van is an ADA conversion van. Details are being worked out regarding the cost to participants and the buses are expected to be ready for delivery in December.</p>		

Next Meeting	Thursday, July 6th at 12:00 in Conference room 3.		
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