

August 16, 2016 Minutes for the Valley County Mental Health LAC

12:00 Noon FMDH South Wing Meeting Room

Present: Colleen Forrester (NCILS), Bruce Peterson (Valley County Commissioner), Mary Hughes (NE MT Mental Health Center), Pam Lee (FMDH), and Antonia Klein (CPO Miles City via speaker phone).

Minutes from the May 10, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Bruce made a motion to accept; seconded by Pam; carried.

Colleen noted that she and Pam have been doing the duties of chairperson and secretary for a long time and was wondering if anyone else would like to assume these roles. No one attending today wished to accept this offer. Colleen and Pam agreed to continue doing these tasks, but if anyone else would like to take over either of these roles, please contact Colleen.

No date has been set yet for the Youth Mental Health First Aid Training. Mary mentioned that the new superintendent from Nashua called the Mental Health Center requesting a presentation on suicide prevention. This may fit in to his request. Mary will also contact Andy Mogan, the Glasgow School psychologist, to see if he may be able to start attending these LAC meetings or come to the next meeting to educate us on his role in the schools.

Bruce reported that the follow-up "Room 109" meeting at FMDH in May went well. Length of stay seems to have decreased, things are going more smoothly now since FMDH has a consistent hospitalist staff and are needing no locums, and therefore better communication between hospitalists and mental health providers. This group will meet every six months to re-evaluate how the process is going.

Bruce also informed us that the VC Crisis Intervention Grant (HB 130) allowed Valley County \$32,000 this year instead of the \$36,000 last year. This is used to help fund Room 109. For comparison, the county paid approximately \$50,000 for those patients in 2010 and last fiscal year, approximately \$105,000 was paid.

Bruce also reported that Kristen McColly, FNP, has very recently started coming to the local detention center weekly to see inmates with medical needs.

Antonia informed us of the movie, PAPER TIGERS, and the subsequent training session following this that will help deal with kids with ACE (adverse childhood experiences). This is being shown around the region and she will get contact info/links to us. She said that the local libraries can get the movie; Bruce will check in with the Glasgow Library to see if they may be able to get this here. A funds request could be made to the ESAA to purchase this.

Mary gave an update on the CSCT program in the Glasgow Schools. Rachel McMurray has been hired to be the director of the program and a para-professional will be hired also. This is a comprehensive in-school program that will serve the students with behavioral health diagnoses/issues.

Mary then reported on the Community Health Assessment project that has been going on in our community. For further information on the project or info on becoming involved, you may contact one of the Board members: Connie Boreson (Public Health), Nick Dirkes (FMDH), Mary Hughes (Mental Health Center), and Jenny Fuller (Glasgow PD).

Colleen's term on the ESAA Board is done; Bruce is now on. Next Board meeting is August 23, 2016.

Meeting adjourned. Next LAC meeting will be on November 15, 2016 at FMDH South Wing meeting room.

Submitted by,

Pam Lee