

San Miguel Behavioral Health Collaborative

Thursday, January 20, 2022 | 3:30-5:00pm

Collaborative Members Present: Paul Reich, Corinne Cavender, Carol Friedrich, Laura Byard, Jennie Thomas, Robert Garcia, Lindsay Wright, Jim Riley, Alex Jones, Mandy Miller, Adrienne Christy, Emmaline Cochrane, Grace Franklin Diana Koelliker, Tammi Ragan, Lynn Borup, Cris Matoush, Clea Willow

1. Quick Check-In Around the Table Related to BH

- a. Shelley Fourney resigning from her position as a Behavioral Health Provider at Uncompahgre Medical Center. Her last day will be Thursday, February 10th.
- b. Laura Byard from The Center for Mental Health noted more requests for services in December as people were heading into the holidays. January seems to be return to normal rhythm
- c. Lindsay Wright from TMC noted the opposite, experiencing a busier January
- d. Diana Koelliker noted dramatic events in the emergency room over the last couple weeks with suicide attempts and substance use problems
- e. Clea Willow highlighted mental health struggles for teenagers and seeing unhealthy coping mechanisms
- f. Carol Friedrich shared story of an adult who is currently in need of inpatient substance use treatment but waiting for a bed to open up
 - i. Lindsay Wright noted being in the same situation
- g. Diana Koelliker mentioned an unanticipated situation
 - i. Individual experiencing psychosis had COVID, so they were not able to get mental health treatment without a negative test. Was forced to wait in ER
- h. Jennie Thomas described struggles in west end of the County
 - i. Working with kids who have lost parents to COVID while living in a community where some do not believe in the pandemic. Complicating the already difficult grief process
- i. Mandy Miller shared that many are seeking mental health services, but still struggling on where to send them as most providers have wait lists. Also noted seeing higher risk behaviors and limit testing.
- j. Alex Jones shared that the first week back from break there were a lot of students absent due to COVID at the Telluride School. Seeing more arrests and students experiencing with harder substances like cocaine

2. Behavioral Health Solutions (BHS) Updates

- a. Website
 - i. Reviewed website and were to find collaborative updates
 - ii. Sanmiguelbehavioralhealth.org
- b. Reviewing Collaborative Minutes
 - i. BHS decided to include reviewing collaborative minutes as a standing agenda item
- c. Strategic Plan Overview

- i. Funding Cycles and Priorities
 - 1. Discussed the priorities BHS identified as a result of the strategic plan meeting
 - a. Clinical Workforce Support
 - b. Community Trainings
 - c. Spanish Language Resources
 - d. Substance Use Programming
 - e. School-Based Services
 - f. Suicide Prevention Programming
 - 2. BHS will be moving to an annual funding cycle with ad-hoc requests reviewed quarterly
 - ii. Clinical Supervision
 - 1. BHS to review draft model during next meeting
- 3. Behavioral Health Fund Demonstration**
- a. Corinne Cavender shared screen to demonstrate how to apply for the Behavioral Health Fund and how to submit reimbursement for providers
 - i. Notes were given by collaborative members on the process. Corinne to connect with Behavioral Health Fund team to work through any issues community members and providers face
- 4. San Miguel County Behavioral Health Grant (Carol Friedrich)**
- a. Carol Friedrich shared with the collaborative that Social Services received a grant to house a bilingual/bicultural therapist in the County
5. Next Meeting February 17, 2022, 3:30-5:00pm

2022 Meetings

2/17	
3/17	4/21
5/19	6/16
7/21	8/18
9/15	10/20
11/17	12/15