# MEETING MINUTES San Miguel Behavioral Health Solutions March 26, 2020 | 9:00 am – 11:00 am Zoom Meeting

**Panel Members Present:** Carol Friedrich; Mike Gass; Karen Winkelmann; Sarah Landeryou; Amanda Jones; Pam Stewart-Maddox

Members Absent: Robert Whiting, Nicole Long Other Attendees: Paul Reich, TCHNetwork; Corinne Cavender, TCHNetwork

# 1. Approve January & February Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion to approve January and February Meeting Minutes
  - i. 1<sup>st</sup> Amanda Jones
  - *ii.* 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Steward-Maddox
  - iii. All in favor

# 2. Current updates re: Impact of COVID19

- a. TRMC providing telehealth visits
- b. School paying attention to stressors in the system caused by COVID19 for students and staff for students and staff
- c. CMH continuing telehealth services as well as accepting new referrals
  - i. CMH Crisis Line has expanded to also offer Support 24/7—call 970-252-6220

### 3. Follow up discussion re: March 23 Meeting

- a. County commissioners have proposal to allocate \$60,000 to COVID19 behavioral health response (Good Neighbor Fund) on their April 1<sup>st</sup> agenda
- b. TCHNetwork will send Panel link to ZOOM meeting

# 4. Additional Funding Strategies for Grants/Financial Aid

- a. Consensus on seeing how effective the Good Neighbor Fund is in response to COVID19, and then determining if monies should continue to go toward the fund
- b. Consensus on limiting the Good Neighbor Fund's behavioral health budget to San Miguel County residents but not limiting access based on residency requirements (don't have to live in San Miguel for a certain amount of time and don't have to have lawful presence)
- c. TCHNetwork will contact Telluride Foundation and TCHNetwork management re: implementing BH funding
- d. Motion for possible additional funds (amount yet to be determined) to be allocated to the Good Neighbor Fund for residents of San Miguel County seeing a private practitioner/provider beyond the immediate response dollars due to COVID19
  - i. 1<sup>st</sup> Amanda Jones
  - ii. 2nd Sarah Landeryou
  - iii. All approved
- e. In order to determine how much funding individual organizations that provide behavioral health services should get, need to determine how many people accessing services are uninsured or financially struggling. TRMC may be able to provide information on how many people they serve who are uninsured; TCHNetwork has found that objective data on mental health/substance use needs is lacking at present (or is not available easily)TRMC may be able to provide information on how many people they

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- f. Consensus on there being one fund for organizations currently providing behavioral health services and needing a funding source for certain patients and future discussion can be had about creating an additional funds for higher priced services like residential treatment Consensus on there being one fund for organizations currently providing behavioral health services and needing a funding source for certain patients and future discussion can be had about creating an additional funds for higher priced services like residential treatment for a funding source for certain patients and future discussion can be had about creating an additional funds for higher priced services like residential treatment
- g. Motion to set aside \$60,000 to agencies with behavioral health services currently operating in the county
  - i. Identified TRMC, UMC, CMH and TCHNetwork
  - ii. The money is to be accessed after an application process to be later created
  - iii. TCHNetwork will vet applications, and other members of the panel will step in if there is a conflict of interest (TCHNetwork applying for funding).
  - iv. TCHNetwork will work with County Attorney to put item on April 1 Agenda
  - v. 1<sup>st</sup> Pam Stewart-Maddox
  - vi. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarah Landeryou
  - vii. All approved

### 5. Environmental Scan Update

- a. Consensus on liking the way the scan categorized topics on provided Findings pages
- b. Consensus on panel taking time to examine findings and then formulating a way to rank which areas are most important to tackle. Once panel has identified a top two or three areas, TCHNetwork will do a deeper dive to see if those recommendations could work and how big of a lift they would be, respectively.
- c. Will revisit strategic planning process to determine priorities and how many initiatives can/should be funded
- d. Amanda requested that TCHNetwork look at how to provide a better look at services provided today—to help define what might need additional support
- e. Amanda indicated that future discussion might be on what a continuum of care looks like and where panel can best intercept and help fund a specific level of care-i.e., substance use prevention and treatment continuum of care
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 10:29am.
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> Pam Stewart- Maddox
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Carol Friedrich
  - c. All approved