

**Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2014**

Mission Statement:

The Behavioral Health Advisory Council mission is to advise and educate the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery, for planning and implementation of effective, integrated behavioral health services by promoting individual choice, prevention, and recovery in Washington State

Present:	Armando Herrera, Becky Bates, Beth Dannhardt, Carolyn Cox, Eleanor Owen, Heather Maxwell, Jo Ellen Woodrow, Mary O'Brien, Susan Kydd, , Mark Freedman, Shelly Young, Dan Halpin, Pamala Sacks-Lawler, Tory Henderson <i>New Members: Jeff Aldrich, Kimberly Miller, Linda Kehoe, Moira O'Crotty, Myra Paull, Sandra Koloske Vanessa Lewis,</i>
Members Excused:	Carrie Huie-Pascua, Ron Hertel, Annabelle Payne
Not Present:	
DBHR Staff:	Chris Imhoff, Sandra Mena-Tyree, Haley Lowe, Michael Langer
Minutes taken by:	Sandra Mena-Tyree
Welcome, Review of agenda and previous meeting minutes:	Meeting began at 9:20 am Corrections were duly noted and the September 3, 2014 minutes were then approved by the council.
Director's Update	Chris Imhoff explained more regarding the Behavioral Health Organizations (BHOs) letter that detailed the BHO areas. Rates were also discussed. State builds rate on the #of Medicaid eligible clients per catchment area. BHOs then establish rates with providers. Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services says if using managed care then it is required to have a actuarial study to determine appropriate rates. Rates can be adjusted as frequently as we want—but it is costly. From a policy perspective need to look more at capacity issues that may affect transition to a managed care system rather than underfunding. Chris suggested that BHO performance measures by shared with the council, as well as Ticket to Work and BEST.
Council Business	Bylaws were corrected, finalized and approved on this day. Technical Assistance – The needs assessment was not discussed due to the robust conversation on mental health and chemical dependency integration. Susan Kydd will move forward to draft a letter for technical assistance.
5% First Episode Psychosis	Haley Lowe presented on a new MHBG requirement to set aside 5% to implement programs specifically to Transitional Age Youth (18-25) with First Episode Psychosis.
Block Grant	Timelines – Sandra Mena-Tyree shared the timeline that reflects when BHAC can expect to review the peer reviews for both chemical dependency and mental health. The timeline also reflects application and reporting due dates for FFY2016/2017. Peer Review – BHAC recommendations were approved by council and will not move forward to DBHR Director, Chris Imhoff.
Action Items	
Recommendations	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 3:16 pm