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**Meeting Minutes**  
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<b>Present:</b>	Annabelle Payne, Beth Dannhart, Carolyn Cox, Heather Maxwell, Jeff Aldrich, Jo Ellen Woodrow, Kristina Sawyckyj-Moreland, Linda Kehoe, Myra Paull, Philip Gonzales, Sandra Kolokske, Susan Kydd, Vanessa Lewis <i>Guest: Tonya Stern (Pend-Orielle County)</i>
<b>State/DBHR Staff Present:</b>	Martha Williams, Sandra Mena Tyree, Chris Imhoff, Michael Langer, Kristin West, Pamela Sachs-Lawlar, Tory Henderson, Dan Halpin, Melodie Pazolt
<b>Members Excused:</b>	Norrie Gregoire, Becky Bates, Kimberly Miller, Moira O’Crotty, Barb Putnam, Kathy Morgan, Shelli Young, Armando Herrera
<b>Not Present:</b>	Dawn Maloney, Elizabeth Andrews, Mary O’Brien, Mark Freedman, Ron Hertel, Ruth Leonard, Steve Kutz
<b>Minutes taken by:</b>	Martha Williams
<b>Welcome, Review of agenda and previous meeting minutes:</b>	Meeting began at 9:15 a.m. <b>Welcome:</b> Introductions were made. Members reviewed the March minutes; members approved two amendments were made to the minutes. The minutes were approved.
<b>New Member Orientation/Slides</b>	Beth led members in the review of a PowerPoint presentation regarding the council and its relationship to DBHR. Members asked several clarifying questions during the presentation and asked for General Budget Summary request for MH, CD etc. DBHR staff indicated the budget would be shared once the Legislature agrees on the state budget.
<b>Director’s Update</b>	There are several bills that are still alive. Legislators are discussing mandated funding and cutting programs, driven by court cases. Mental Health (MH) – bills include some level of assisted outpatient, funding is driven to the very acute situations. Ideally, MH should be caught before the acute stage. Bill review: HB1424 Suicide prevention; HB 1448 – Law enforcement procedures when suicide is threatened; HB 1450 – Assisted outpatient treatment bill; HB 1637 – tribal access to prescription; HB 1713 – integration of MH and Chemical Dependency (CD) systems with questionable results, large price tag to implement (and interim work group to work on what makes sense was suggested); HB 1721 – ambulance payment for other than hospital transport; HB 1735 - ; HB 1879 – Children in foster-care; HB 1916 – sometimes combined with HB 1713 – administrative clean up and expands ombudsman service to include CD; SB 5077 – Operating budget bill; SB 5177 - bill regarding Forensic Services; SB 5269 – Joel’s Law;

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	<p>SB 5280 – Alcohol “growler” container filled in stores (parameters outlined); SB 5311 – Crisis intervention training for law enforcement; SB 5441 - Patient medication coordination; SB 5649 – Involuntary treatment act (MH) imbeds hospital beds in statute; SB 5740 – extended foster care; SB 5849 – compensation timeliness bill. Marijuana Bills – SB 5052 – medical marijuana (MJ) stores; SB 2136 – MJ tax bill at 30% for prevention and treatment; SB 6062 MJ tax bill to general fund; SB 5121 – license to produce MJ for research purposes; SB 5398 – MJ open container; SB 5348? – MJ vending machines; HB 2000 on governor’s desk – tribal MJ agreement.</p> <p>BHO Planning is on track with the 2016 implementation; biggest challenge will be with IT systems.</p> <p>BHAC input –Planning and terminology documents, and contracts for BHO’s will include local advisory boards and a prescribed connection to BHAC. Members suggested that advisory boards have specific parameters for purpose, and include nearby Regional RSNs collaboration as well as information gathering – then shared at BHAC. Members suggested Committee Chairs from BHOs could be invited to share at BHAC. Members requested the membership for BHO advisory committees be from the larger community and that quality (service/life) and quantity be the focus. BHAC members have two weeks to provide input to Chris’s and Michael’s offices.</p>
<p><b>WA Behavioral Healthcare Conference</b></p>	<p>16 BHAC members can attend the conference on a scholarship that provides for registration fee only. With a show of hands, nine members were interested in attending. Contact Alison Avery (<a href="mailto:aavery@wcmhcnnet.org">aavery@wcmhcnnet.org</a> or by fax 206-448-2448) ASAP if interested. Sandra Mena Tyree requested that interested members also contact her at Sandra.mena@dshs.wa.gov.</p>
<p><b>BHAC Strategic Planning/TA Ad Hoc Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Susan led members in the process of strategic planning and brainstorming ideas to put together a plan. Council will concentrate on SWOT (Strengths, Opportunities, Weaknesses, and Threats). A PowerPoint presentation was available to attendees. Members participated in a process to suggest the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats BHAC has</p>

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	<p>experienced. Then members voted for, in the individual's opinion, the three most important items in each area. Below are the results of that vote:</p> <p><b>Strengths:</b> 1) Well rounded Council (integrated membership), 2) DBHR transparency with Council, and 3) in a three way tie: Passionate, Support from DBHR, Council expertise/lived experience</p> <p><b>Weaknesses:</b> 1) Lack of sub-committees, resulting in lack of productivity, 2) in a two way tie: a) Lack of focus/clear direction and priorities, b) Limited work time, and 3) in a two way tie: a) lack of outreach to public and potential members, b) Lack of participation of all members (e.g. Agency/State)</p> <p><b>Opportunities:</b> 1) Outreach to communities, 2) Looking at whole health (health care reform), 3) Liaison for legislation (more involvement/focus)</p> <p><b>Threats:</b> 1) Inactivity (too slow, too unproductive), 2) Negative budget developments, mandates vs. funding, 3) Changing timelines that are beyond Council control</p> <p><b>Next Steps:</b> The SWOT items above will be provided to SAMHSA.</p> <p><b>July Meeting Agenda Item:</b> Presentation and discussion of Strategic Planning with SAMHSA to date – Priorities and Action Steps.</p>
<p><b>Tiny Reports</b></p>	<p><b>Tori</b> shared about the Washington Association for infant mental health grid. The grid details the levels of infant mental health and about the Adverse Childhood Experience in Primary Care Conference.</p> <p><b>Jo Ellen Woodrow</b> shared information on Performance Implementation</p> <p><b>Carolyn Cox</b> communicated about a new peer run support agency</p> <p><b>Kristina Sawyckj-Moreland</b> conveyed information on a Seattle area conference on housing</p>

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	<p><b>Linda Kehoe</b> shared she is working with UW students to put together brochures, video, etc. She is also working on a paper to promote what is good about the peer programs and recovery model. Members suggested the ADAI library at the UW from clinical trials network for more study information.</p> <p><b>Michael Langer</b> spoke about the annual Spring Youth Forum next week, and the Say it out Loud conference. Friday, the department will submit a grant to expand treatment dollars.</p>
<p><b>Block Grant Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project Timeline</li> <li>• FFY2016/2017 Application</li> <li>• Peer Review Training/Report</li> <li>• SAMHSA 3-Center Site Visit</li> <li>• MHBG Progress Report</li> </ul>	<p>Some <b>Timeline changes</b> have been incorporated since the last BHAC meeting, such as looping end of year to the next year. CD Peer reviewers are trained and will be visiting facilities that were selected for the review; a report reviewing the study results will be created; BHAC ad hoc committee (Jo Ellen Woodrow, Kristi Sawyckyj-Moreland, Carolyn Cox, Heather Maxwell, Myra Paull, Vanessa Lewis, and Beth Dannhart) will review the report and make recommendations to the Council.</p> <p><b>2016/2017 Application for SAMHSA</b> is still in draft form. Work on draft application will facilitate the process once the application is finalized.</p> <p><b>SAMSHA review:</b> The Three-center site visit is scheduled for July 20 – 24. The SAMHSA reviewers have requested a conversation on the afternoon of July 21 with BHAC members (without DBHR). Several volunteers were available and agreed to attend the meeting on July 21. Those members are: Kristina Sawyckyj-Moreland, Vanessa Lewis, Linda Kehoe, Philip Gonzales, Pamela Sack-Lawler, Jo Ellen Woodrow, Jeff Aldrich, Myra Paull, Annabelle Payne, Carolyn Cox, and Beth Dannhart.</p> <p><b>MHBG Progress Report:</b> Several handouts were provided regarding projects, challenges for those projects, and the implementation of those projects. Members requested a list of projects on time, cautionary projects, and projects not on time.</p>
<p><b>Update: Housing initiatives</b></p>	<p><b>Porch Project:</b> Draft report was provided to members. Please return feedback to Melodie Pazolt. A feedback form was provided to members present.</p> <p>SAMSHA supported training, other training opportunities, and Webinar opportunities were shared.</p>
<p><b>Wrap Up/Review Action Items</b></p>	<p>BHAC Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• July 8, 2015: Roosevelt/Chelan Rooms in Blake West</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• September 2, 2015: Roosevelt/Chelan Rooms in Blake West</li></ul> July Agenda Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Block Grant</li><li>• Strategic Planning – Presentation and Discussion</li></ul> Members requested Outlook meeting invitations to hold meetings on their calendars.
<b>Adjourned</b>	Meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm