



## PROVIDER ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

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**June 11, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

### AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of April 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes
3. DCF Update
  - Assistant Secretary for SAMH - Erica Floyd Thomas
4. Outcomes/Data- Carisk
  - FASAMS Update /155 Pamphlet
  - Electronic Invoicing
5. Zero Suicide Initiative Update
6. Monthly Provider Meeting Reminder (First Thursday of every month)
7. Legislative Updates
  - Budget Items
8. 65D-30 Subcommittee Update
  - PLADS - Survey Monkey
9. Medicaid Peer Support Reimbursement
10. HB 945 Children System of Care Plan
11. Behavioral Health Services and Broward County Schools Collaboration
12. New/Other Business
  - Status of Inpatient/CSU bed usage in Broward County for children and adults
13. Adjournment

**The next meeting will be held on  
Friday, August 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**



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**9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Chair: Paul Jaquith, Mental Health America of Southeast Florida**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Agency</b>
Abbey Hand	Broward Sheriff's Office
Aileen Turner - Nestor	Archways, Inc.
Andrea Busada	Broward County Elderly and Veterans Services Division
Barbara Harmon	Footprint to Success Clubhouse
Dave Freedman	Community Solutions
Deborah Meidinger-Hosey	Broward Schools
Dhakirah Hamin	Citrus
Donnalisa Deliazar	House of Hope
Jackie Rosen	Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention
Janine Ribeiro Chow- Quan	United Way of Broward County
Jean Ansourian	Broward Sheriff's Office
Jenysset Pi	Broward Regional Health Planning Council
Jenean Wiggins	Chrysalis Health
Jessie Cardoza	Broward Health
Joanne Correia - Kent	Smith Mental Health Associates
Josh Plantz	Memorial Healthcare System
Justin Cummings	Broward Sheriff's Office
Kristen Guerrise	Broward Housing Solutions
Lisa Bayne	Kids In Distress
Luke Short	House of Hope
Megan Betancourt	Banyan Health
Michelle DiSorbo	Camelot
Pamela Galan	Henderson Behavioral Health
Rachel Hord	Kids in Distress
Ralex Rodriguez	Broward Health
Richard Riccardi	Fellowship
Robert Scardino	SunServe
Sandra Cumper	NAMI Broward
Scott DiMarzo	Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness
Sue Glasscock	House of Hope



Tammy Tucker	Memorial Health Systems
Tania Hamilton	Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services
Veronica James	Our Children Our Future
William Card	Broward Addiction Recovery Center

**BBHC Staff:** Silvia Quintana, Danica Mamby, Caren Longsworth, Elida Segrera, Stefania Pace, Areeba Johnson, Amelia Benson, Jacinth Johnson, Kerline Robinson  
**Carisk Staff:** Jennifer Branham, Shirley Murdock

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Mr. Paul Jaquith called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Attendance was taken via Microsoft Teams.

- **Approval of February 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Robert Scardino made a motion to approve the February 12, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Veronica James and the minutes were unanimously approved.

- **DCF Update**

Ms. Silvia Quintana announced that DCF's new Chief of Staff is Ms. Molly McKinstry for DCF. Ms. McKinstry is formerly AHCA's Deputy Secretary. Ms. Quintana has met with the DCF Secretary and with Ms. McKinstry. Ultimately Ms. McKinstry would like to start a tour of the state, in July 2021, to explore innovative programs within the network.

- **Outcomes/Data- Carisk**

- Ms. Jennifer Branham provided an update about electronic invoicing. Some providers have started the process. Providers in need of additional training were encouraged to contact Ms. Branham.
- DCF is requesting weekly updates on FASAMS. Providers will have fill out information on an excel sheet that must be reported to DCF, then presented to the Secretary.

- **Zero Suicide Update**

- Ms. Janine Ribeiro Chow-Quan reported that the United Way has agreed to fund a Loss Team in Broward County \$180,000 for 3 years. Further details explaining what a Loss Team entails will be provided during next week's Advisory Council Meeting.
- Peer support will be provided for families who have lost a loved one because of suicide.



- Ms. Chow-Quan mentioned that the United Way will be supporting Broward County in their Needle Exchange Program and providing \$65,000 in funding for 3 years towards that effort.
  
- **Covid-19 Update**
  - **Vaccination Update**

Ms. Elida Segrera reported that efforts are being made to develop a procedure for clients of the provider network and staff to pre-register and be transported to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at specific times in order to make the process more accessible. Ms. Tammy Tucker stated that Memorial is receiving vaccines to distribute to the community at their Miramar location.
  
  - Broward County and the Health Foundation is launching a Vaccination Hesitancy Program and presenting their tool kit at the next May Provider Meeting.
  
  - Memorial and Broward Health are pushing for mobile vaccinations so they can reach more members of the community, but it is not available yet.
  
- **Monthly Provider Meeting Reminder**

Mr. Paul Jaquith reminded providers that the monthly Provider Meetings occur the first Thursday of every month. This meeting replaces the weekly meetings that use to take place on Thursdays.
  
- **Legislative Update**
  - **Budget Items**

Ms. Silvia Quintana provided an update about the budget release from the House of Representatives and the Senate. The budgets were compared, and it appears that the House has a better position because it is holding the general revenue in the base. The Senate will be reducing funding by placing revenue elsewhere which is a concern since this will affect current programs such as the CAT and FIT teams.
  
  - Ms. Quintana reported that there is an expulsion bill for juveniles and a bill to authorize continued Tele-Health care.
  
  - The Healthy Start Coalition has been negatively impacted and they considering discontinuing services that are already offered through Medicaid in efforts to eliminate duplicate services.
  
- **65D-30 Subcommittee Update**

Mr. Paul Jaquith stated that if there is no need or interest in this topic, instead of a meeting, providers can put their concerns in writing and submit them to Ms. Megan Betancourt and Mr. Jaquith. Ms. Megan Betancourt has been chairing the subcommittee but there has not been much feedback from providers.



- **New/Other Business**

Mr. Robert Scardino stated that some larger providers have requested RFP's (Request for Proposals) that feel inaccessible to smaller agencies and. A discussion took place regarding the short turnaround time and the importance of system of care to have access to funding opportunities. The Council agreed to have this matter addressed at the next Funders' Forum. The County can help address this obstacle as well.

- **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Friday, June 11, 2021.