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October 8, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of August 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes
3. Outcomes/Data- Carisk
 - FASAMS Update /155 Pamphlet
 - Waiting List
4. Zero Suicide Initiative Update
5. Legislative Updates
 - Stepping Up Initiative
 - Rule Revision for Adult Family Care Homes
6. 65D-30 Subcommittee
 - PLADS - Survey Monkey
 - Children's System Challenges (Levels of Care)
 - Form 1037
7. New/Other Business
 - NAMI Walk on October 9 – Nova Southeastern University
8. Adjournment

**The next meeting will be held on
Friday, December 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**



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MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Chair: Paul Jaquith, Mental Health America

Name	Agency
Abbey Hand	Broward Sheriff's Office
Abby Mosher	Tomorrow's Rainbow
Aileen Turner - Nestor	Archways, Inc.
Andrea Busada	Broward County Elderly and Veterans Services Division
Barbara Harmon	Footprint to Success Clubhouse
Carl Falconer	Taskforce Outreach
Carol Loman	Henderson
Cassandra Rhett	Taskforce Outreach
Cristina Martinez	Fellowship House
Cynthia Moreno	Harmony
Dave Freedman	Community Solutions
Deborah Meidinger-Hosey	Broward Schools
Dhakirah Hamin	Citrus
Donnalina Deliazar	House of Hope
Erika Laverde	Broward Partnership
Gabriela Raurell	Harmony
Gayle Giese	NAMI Broward
Jack Feinberg	Broward Public Schools
Jamie Powers	Broward House
Jenean Wiggins	Chrysalis Health
Jessica Maza	Broward Partnership
Jessie Cardoza	Broward Health
Joanne Correia- Kent	Smith Community Mental Health
Josh Plantz	Memorial Healthcare System
Jose Gonzalez	Fellowship House
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



Melody Kaye	NAMI Broward
Michele Disorbo	Camelot
Pamela Galan	Henderson Behavioral Health
Robert Scardino	SunServe
Shari Thomas	Henderson
Tammy Tucker	Memorial Health Systems
Tania Hamilton	Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services
Veronica James	Our Children Our Future
Vincent Carrodegua	Banyan Health

BBHC Staff: Danica Mamby, Caren Longworth, Elida Segre, Stefania Pace, Amelia Benson, Areeba Johnson, Esther Jimenez

Carisk Staff: Jennifer Branham, Shirley Murdock

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Mr. Paul Jaquith called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Attendance was taken via Microsoft Teams.

- **Approval of June 11, 2021, Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Robert Scardino made a motion to approve the June 11, 2021, meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jack Feinberg and the minutes were unanimously approved.

- **Outcomes/Data- Carisk**

Ms. Jennifer Branham provided an update about FASAMs. Only two providers have had an issue submitting their data. All of the other providers have submitted their invoices electronically.

- **Zero Suicide Initiative Update**

- Mr. Paul Jaquith noted that the Broward Suicide Prevention Coalition met, and they are working on creating a project to target the highest level of individuals who die by suicide, which are males between the ages of 42 to 62. After the Lethal Means Workgroup partnered with gun shops and gun ranges, the rate of suicide by gun has decreased in Broward.
- Mr. Paul Jaquith discussed reaching out to the School Board to assist them with focusing on suicide prevention.
- Only 19 providers responded to the Zero Suicide Survey via Survey Monkey. The survey will be resent, and providers were encouraged to complete the survey in order to get a sense of what the community needs regarding zero suicide.

- **Legislative Update**

- Ms. Elida Segrera provided an update that additional funding was provided for more SRT beds, a FACT Team, and a First Episode Team. Procurements are being prepared for the month of September.
- Ms. Segrera explained that the Behavioral Health Commission was created by the legislature and the governor to discuss the ongoings of behavioral health in Florida.

- **65D-30 Subcommittee Update**

Mr. Paul Jaquith provided an update about the Survey Monkey regarding the PLADS system and discussed issues with the system such as background checks and providers being issued temporary substance abuse licenses due to the backlog in the PLADS system. The system is challenging and hard to navigate.

- **Medicaid Clients and Incidental Reimbursement**

Ms. Elida Segrera presented the new DCF Medicaid guidelines. The guidelines which outline the qualifications required for agencies to bill BBHC for Medicaid clients, will be shared with providers. The incidental document is being finalized and will be distributed upon completion. Providers expressed concern about these guidelines. A sub-committee spearheaded by Ms. Joanne Correia-Kent was proposed to address these issues to DCF.

- **Forensic/Jail Diversion Award (Fellowship House)**

Ms. Elida Segrera formally announced that the Forensic/ Jail Diversion program was awarded to Fellowship House. Ms. Cristina Martinez discussed Fellowship House's services in Broward and Dr. Jose Gonzalez explained that the contract oversees individuals who are found incompetent to proceed through Mental Health Court and assists with transitional plans and linking individuals with services.

- **New/Other Business**

Mr. Paul Jaquith discussed the rise in numbers of patients with COVID-19 due to the delta variant. Approximately 98% of hospitalized patients are unvaccinated.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Friday, October 8, 2021.