

CARVER COUNTY LAC Meeting

DATE: 09.14.2021

LEADER: Derek Gunderson

TIME: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

RECORDER: Courtney Iverson

COUNCIL MEMBERS			LIAISON MEMBERS			GUESTS
Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name
Derek Gunderson	x		Beth Fagin	x		
Dr. Eddie Tipton		x	Melissa Hanson	x		
Ana Macias	x		Sam Deweese		x	
Mary Myss	x		Melanie Warm	x		
Sue Kunitz	x		Diane Pagel		x	
Courtney Iverson	x		Stephanie Combey	x		
Sandy Menzel	x		Tim Lynch			
Judy Kieffer	x		Michelle Faith, Nystrom & Associates	x		
Cliona Archer		x				
Heather Boll		x				
Lindsey Konchar	x					
Sophia Wood		x				
Jenny Swan	x					
Stacy Zellmann		x				

Agenda	Activity/Discussion	Decision/Action
Agenda Item 1:	Call to Order: Derek Gunderson	
Agenda Item 2:	<p>Approve August Agenda: The motion was made by Sandy to approve the August agenda; Mary seconded. Agenda was approved.</p>	Approved by consensus

<p>Agenda Item 2: continued</p>	<p>Approve August Minutes: 4:05 PM Sue made motion to approve, Mary seconds approval of July and August 2021 LAC meeting minutes.</p>	<p>Approved by consensus</p>
<p>Agenda Item 3:</p>	<p>Staff reports: Melissa: September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month SOAR services are currently provided by CSP, for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness (with a disability) to partner in applying for social security disability benefits. New RFP for Social Security Advocacy Services: Will complete application by end of September to continue providing this service (a five year pay for performance grant term) Adult Mental Health Initiative Reform: Social determinants of Health will be discussed at the workgroup meeting tomorrow, hoping to come up with a better formula that will be more equitable and transparent across the state. Level of referrals and pre-petition screening requests are higher than typical Judy: What services are available for people who are on social security already? Grants? What do they provide? Melissa shared information about the AMHI and CSP grants, including funding for the supported employment Individual placement support-like program with MRCI, housing subsidies and application/security deposit assistance, Community support program and Registered Nurse services for those experiencing serious and persistent mental illness. Beth: School is here So far so good Staff are feeling it's more effective to work with kids personally This time is always a challenge in the beginning of the year with days, space, and time to take kids from classes. Some kids are anxious about school because this is change. Many are glad to be with friends and in buildings This may just be the honeymoon period so once we see that, we can get a better idea on adaption.</p>	<p>Information</p>

<p>Agenda Item 3: Continued</p>	<p>Derek Q: Do we do anything with the private schools?-No</p> <p>Derek shared a story of a parent whose child was dealing with a mental health crisis and found limited options. Beth recommends the day treatment program which is school or mental health treatment. Live at home with your family, combination treatment and therapy. Private schools because they are smaller but can be more supportive in different ways. A day program is specific to children with mental health issues.</p> <p>Jenny: Shared her knowledge and recent experience with family member</p> <p>COVID-19 cases are still too high for us to meet in person, so we will keep meeting via WebEx.</p> <p>What are plans for students if the numbers get high? First and foremost is getting back to school, then addressing it on a case by case scenario.</p> <p>Concerns about seasonal affective disorder. Seclusion has been tough.</p> <p>Melanie Warm-Crisis team is available all the time to consult and they can help explore options</p> <p>Stephanie Combey: If there is a child who is going into a hospital setting that would need to go to day treatment afterwards, it may be in the best interest to get the child on the waitlist. You do not want that gap in levels of service. School linked mental health services-usually limited to public schools, and not sure if charter schools can even be considered Many have tried to help with mental health needs more Recommend to ask these questions specifically to their school counselor Not generally advertised to the general public but they are there</p> <p>Had the Steiner- Kelting opening last Tuesday, which was turned into a limited invitation media tour because of the COVID increase.</p>	<p>Information</p>
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<p>Agenda Item 3: Continued</p>	<p>They did a good job maintaining the history but updating to community members Thankful Derek attended The programming had been done very thoughtfully Would love to tour if we could Media link is on the Carver County website</p> <p>Melanie Warm: Short staffed but working on replacing those positions Mobile crisis therapist positions available to be filled Position starting on the 27th Transition into the 911 dispatch center has been delayed Melanie shared Crisis Assessments graph Numbers are consistent to what they have been in the last 20 years This is only representing the billable assessments</p> <p>2019: 27 co responses 2020: 66 responses 2021: Aug 101 responses</p> <p>As they have built the relationship, it has increased the number of calls Wednesdays had the highest dispatch Majority of contact is done in the home Saw 2 people in the jail Suicidal ideation is often the presenting problem They aren't called out to the scene with attempts, as clients are often transported to the hospital and met there We want to see people in their home with supports</p> <p>950 is the code for the crisis responder Travis Law-dispatch centers are mandated to collaborate with mental health teams This is a big movement in the state More training for dispatchers on mental health symptoms Active training & curriculum are being developed as well 1st quarter 41 clients</p>	<p>Information</p>
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<p>Agenda Item 3: Continued</p>	<p>31 in 2nd quarter</p> <p>19 of the 45 clients had prior contact with the crisis team Majority of callers are adults</p> <p>4:30-6:30 PM is the busiest call time Ana said this corresponds with what she sees in the field too During the business day is the busiest time because that's when the referring services are operating</p> <p>They do face to face community outreach, telephone contact, texting, etc.</p> <p>Melanie has always been involved with the metro and statewide crisis responders' network; she wants to stay on top of this to maximize grant opportunities. She wanted to expand the funding streams to support what we are already doing. It provides additional training opportunities</p> <p>988 will be the new National Suicide Prevention Lifeline phone number There are efforts to transfer 911 calls to the 988 Community Mental Health Center collaborative teams that are working on determining what is the best response for co responders. Some are just social workers calling after the fact, to the other extreme where we will respond with law enforcement. There are differences in co-responder programs across the state. Efforts are underway to make sure the national line can connect to the local teams. It is not taking the place of any local crisis</p> <p>The goal is to use local mental health teams to not take up time from 911 from the physical health issues. Funding is often not sufficient for the 24/7 staffing that a program like this deserves. We could have 3 co-responders.</p>	<p>Information</p>
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<p>Agenda Item 3: Continued</p>	<p>Top 3 items/Services on the county website and identify how we can evaluate them. We talked about doing surveys in the past, so we can get back to evaluating and recommending.</p> <p>Derek identified need to be effective in our role in the county so we can continue to improve services to our residents</p> <p>The group shared how mental health has impacted their lives and brought them to a place of wanting to support mental health understanding and community initiatives.</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Agenda Item 4:</p>	<p>Chairs Report:</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Agenda Item 5:</p>	<p>Guests: None</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Agenda Item 6:</p>	<p>New Business:</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Agenda Item 7:</p>	<p>Old Business:</p> <p>Rural/Farming Mental Health: Discussion regarding this item and how to move forward with gathering more information, with plan to invite speaker on this topic if possible. Melanie shared that the Dept of Human Services addresses this and contracts with the U of MN for training. There is a brochure we share with clients that she could share with us Carver County has offered the Agricultural Question Persuade Refer (QPR) trainings over the past couple of years. Therapist needs to be sensitive to their issues and work atypical business hours. Need to be able to go out to those locations. Is a different type of service model than our typical mental health clinic. It could just be a priority on training for providers too, understanding when they are working with that clientele.</p>	<p>Information</p>

<p>Agenda Item 7: Continued</p>	<p>Open LAC positions: 3 open In the past, a previous LAC member wrote a letter to the papers - discussion regarding putting article in the local papers Members will be removed / appointed at future Board Meeting.</p> <p>Discussed Terms for current council members: Two members will have completed the maximum of 3 consecutive terms at the end of December 2021. Another member's first 3-year term expires at the end of December 2021 Question by member: Can we extend the terms or change the by-laws? Discussed plan to review bylaws at regular intervals.</p> <p>Project community connect was cancelled because of COVID-19.</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>October 12th at 4 p.m. via Webex</p>	<p>Information</p>
<p>Adjournment:</p>	<p>Motion to adjourn Sandy, 2nd by Mary</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned.</p>	<p>Adjournment</p>

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