

MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FE COUNTY
HEALTH POLICY & PLANNING COMMISSION

November 2, 2018

Santa Fe, New Mexico

I. This regular meeting of the Santa Fe County Health Policy & Planning Commission (HPPC) was called to order by Chair Laurie Glaze at approximately 9:00 a.m. on the above-cited date at the Santa Fe County Community Services Department, 2052 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe.

II. The following members were present and a quorum was not achieved:

Members Present:

Laurie Glaze
Christa Coggins
Nelsy Dominguez
Bonnie Keene
Michael Munson
Carolyn Roberts
Kim Straus

Member(s) Absent:

Sandy Dransfield
Barry Cooney
[Three vacancies]

County Staff Present:

Rachel O'Connor, Director, Community Services Department
Alex Dominguez, Community Services Staff
Jennifer Romero, Teen Court
Julia Valdez, Constituent Liaison
Eric Ames, Asst. County Attorney

Others Present:

Pam Hyde, Consultant	Michael Spanier, Consultant
Dawn Abriel, Bright Heart	Erica Abeyta, SFPA
Shawn Mathis, Attorney	Patsy Romero, Easter Seals
Kristen Carmichael, SCC	Janet Johnson, NMDOH
Desiree Valdez, NMDOH	Mark Boschelli, PMS
Dan Nichelson, NAMI	Amara Nash, Farmers Market
Betty Sisneros Shover, NAMI	Terri Marney, SFMC
Jennifer Manzanares, Prevention Alliance	Aurora Trujillo, CSV
Loraine Mendiola, NAMI, AAAPG	Anji Estrellas, Esperanza
Cam Haight, NAMI	Dion Buffalow, Life Healing
Susan Carter, Life Healing	Jesse Cirolia, CVS
Sergio Cianci Chapman, Life Healing	

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III. Introductions

Those present introduced themselves.

IV. Approval of Agenda

V. Approval of Minutes

These items were deferred pending achievement of a quorum.

VI. Matters of Public Concern

Julia Valdez announced she has been working on the coming census with Chair Glaze and Patricia Boies. Subcommittees have been created in the service of the Complete Count effort.

VII. Presentations

A. Santa Fe County Behavioral Health Strategic Plan Summary

Rachel O'Connor stated that Pam Hyde and Associates were contracted approximately a year ago to do a gap analysis of health issues. Since Santa Fe County is gearing up to develop a crisis center there has been a big investment in the area of behavioral health encompassing both mental health and substance abuse disorders. Subsequent to this a strategic plan for the community as well as the County is now in the works. They have reviewed the current draft which outlines specific rules and attempts to analyze what is needed for a more integrated continuum of care.

Pam Hyde gave a power point presentation on the eighth draft. She pointed to the green color in the slides which is being used as a symbol for mental health awareness. Several ideas came out of the Mental Health Summit which was held a few years ago and resulted in both capital and operations funding for a crisis triage center. This will be a five-year plan starting on July 1, 2019 going to June 30, 2024. They looked at work currently under way including the Accountable Health Community and did key informant interviews as well as focus groups. She highlighted that the emphasis is on establishing priorities.

Ms. Hyde reviewed elements of the vision statement's three key themes: leadership, services and advocacy. Under leadership, the plan is to establish a core leadership group to establish a "fearless inventory" in order to align goals. Evaluation is important.

Under services, peer support and navigators are among the key services, which need to be culturally specific and sensitive. Suicide prevention is a priority service, as is firearm safety. For children and youth, there is a call to expand teen court, establish a youth services division in the County, have school based programs, with an emphasis on adverse childhood experience, universal screening and home visitation. She mentioned "friendship benches," a program in which seniors are trained to do "talk therapy" with young people taking advantage of grandmother wisdom. They are recommending an additional plan be done specifically for youth and children, given the lack of services in the area.

For adults there are recommendations on prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation and recovery support. Ms. Hyde spoke of FEP, first episode psychosis, which is an evidence-based process that focuses on 16 to 25-year-olds and identifies need for intervention early. Advocates and mentors are also important during a crisis. Under treatment options, the triage center is a high priority, along with expanding the mobile crisis response teams. Assertive Community Treatment, now at PMS, could be expanded. There are very few options locally for hospitalization.

The re-entry program at the jail, drop-in centers, clubhouse models are all options for rehabilitation. Supported employment is essential. Affordable housing remains a tremendous concern.

Ms. Hyde indicated crises should not be thought of as events but rather opportunities.

Regarding advocacy, this entails working Medicare and Medicaid, and trying to remove the stigma around behavioral health.

She reviewed the next steps recommended in the plan, including identification of a facilitator for the core leadership group.

Commissioner Keene asked about the brain injury and autism population. Ms. Hyde said these are not generally inquired about. Ms. O'Connor stated some of the services, such as peer support and the clubhouse could be utilized by that population.

In response to a question from the Chair, Ms. O'Connor noted capacity is always a question of funding. Community Services has some capacity for contracting out. Ms. Hyde said CSD can't do it all. Education and the environment are emerging as state governmental priorities so coordinated advocacy is required for both funding and policy direction. In order to make use of federal funds, grant writers can often pay for themselves.

Commissioner Straus asked about buy-in from the City and Indian Health Services. Ms. Hyde said the City may be taking the lead on some of the initiatives. Ms. O'Connor noted that the City's Community Services Department is now headed by Kyra Ochoa which augurs well for cooperation. Ms. Hyde said the core leadership group should have members from both City and County.

There was a question about medically assisted treatment at the jail. Ms. O'Connor said they have started to use Naltrexone. Ms. Hyde stated the goal was to make treatment available to people in jail with a warm hand-off to services in the community after release. She added those incarcerated for less than 30 days retain their Medicaid coverage.

A discussion ensued regarding post-incarceration employment and the barriers involved, including mandatory background checks as required by the state.

Ms. Hyde responded to a question regarding Assisted Outpatient Treatment, saying although it is a tool that is relatively easy to implement, it did not emerge as a priority.

Returning to the core leadership group, Ms. O'Connor indicated questions remain regarding implementation, i.e., would the members be appointed? How would it relate to this commission? Where would the funding come from? Ms. Hyde said it remains to be established who the facilitator would be. The membership should be stable to ensure continuity.

Commissioner Straus suggested the role of facilitator and grant writer could be merged.

Ms. O'Connor noted that the County recently engaged in a strategic plan and the pursuit of grants was mentioned, but this requires concerted effort on the part of staff.

There was a question about establishing MOUs with provider partners. Ms. O'Connor said currently CSD's major projects include the crisis center and the Accountable Health Community. MOUs will need to be in place for the process and a leadership group could be instrumental in this. Ms. Hyde said drafts may already exist. These could be signed and committed to in the future. Ms. Carmichael mentioned fire departments across the state sign letters of commitment that establishes what they will be doing.

Ms. O'Connor stated they will bring back a final plan to the HPPC for approval, which will then go to the BCC as an informational item.

VIII. Matters from the Commission and Staff

A. Director's Report

Ms. O'Connor said the State DOH should be releasing guidelines for crisis centers and she understands they will be favorable to their plans. These should be available at the next meeting.

B. Other Matters from the Commission

Commissioner Straus said the New Mexico Public Health Association will be holding its legislative forum in Santa Fe on December 7th at the Hilton, from 7:30 to 5:00. It is an opportunity for people to bring up issues they would like to see addressed by the legislature.

Commissioner Munson announced the Memory Care Alliance will be meeting tomorrow at the Santa Fe Community College, 8:00 to 3:00. There will be a discussion of adult day care.

IX. Future Agenda Items

- Medicaid buy-in legislation and Health Security Campaign
- Youth Strategic Plan
- Legislation

X. Announcements

A. Next HPPC meeting was tentatively planned for December 7, 2018, Santa Fe County Community Services Department Conference Room, 2052 Galisteo Street

Given the conflict with the Public Health Association meeting this could be rescheduled.

XI. Adjournment

This meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Approved by:

Laurie Glaze
Laurie Glaze, Chair
Health Policy & Planning Commission

Respectfully submitted by:

Debbie Doyle
Debbie Doyle, Wordswork



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