

**YORK/ADAMS MH-IDD
JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOINDER GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

The Joint Board of County Commissioners met via conference call on Thursday, April 14, 2022.

ADAMS COUNTY COMMISSIONER(S) ATTENDING:

Commissioner Randy Phiel
Commissioner James Martin
Commissioner Marty Karsteter Qually

YORK COUNTY COMMISSIONER(S) ATTENDING:

Commissioner Julie Wheeler
Commissioner Doug Hoke
Commissioner Ron Smith

COUNTY STAFF ATTENDING:

Ms. Sharon Harlacher, Administrator
Mr. Patrick Anderson, Fiscal Officer

Mr. Clair Doll, Director, York Co. HS
Ms. Kristy Bixler, Operations Administrator/Deputy Chief Clerk
Ms. Taryn Maguire, Director, HCMU
Ms. Kim Sellers, Administrative Assistant, HS/HCMU
Ms. Audrey Gladfelter, Administrator, YADAC
Mr. Vince Reed, Fiscal Officer, YADAC
Ms. Melissa Bair, Administrative Assistant, YADAC

Ms. Miche'lle Pokrifka, York County Solicitor
Mr. Steve Nevada, County Manager, Adams County
Mr. Sean A. Mott, Esquire, Adams Co. Assistant Solicitor

The Meeting was chaired by Commissioner Hoke.

I. PCCD Grant for Co-Responders

This is a grant received to support the position as a community liaison. This was received for a two-year period, the first year for \$56,250 and the second in the amount of \$93,750, which should cover the salary for 2 years. A sustainability plan is in place moving forward. Ms. Harlacher is very happy that this grant was awarded to be able to support the endeavor to continue to grow the Co-Responders Program in both counties.

There are currently the 3 existing co-responders that have been in place for about a year, and they are in 8 police jurisdictions. One person was just hired and was interviewed with York City which was accepted. WellSpan has also hired another individual who will go to Northern County Regional. Case Management has also transferred one individual from an internal position which will cover West York and West Manheim. Other than the Pennsylvania State Police, York County is completely covered. For Adams County, the position will go before Salary Board on Monday for the Commissioners to review the postings.

II. HealthChoices Reinvestment Dollars for Co-Responders

This will be covered by Ms. Taryn Maguire under the HealthChoices Management Program's report.

III. 988/911 Implementation Update

Currently, this is stalled though we are still expected to have it fully operational in July. OMHSAS has made the decision not to advertise as the local communities are not ready. However, there were hiccups recently where out-of-state family advocacy groups have been advertising 988 and sending here to Pennsylvania. This program is operational, but we are not ready to do anything differently than what we have been. An implementation team is in place and meeting on a regular basis to coordinate our efforts, making sure that this can be rolled out seamlessly, ensuring that there are not consumers that are negatively impacted by a number that might not be answered locally.

IV. DCORT/Emergency Behavioral Health Update

We have been moving our system which now includes a name change from DCORT to Emergency Behavioral Health. The County Program has a team that is trained locally in the community and responds significantly to many of the calls received. We recently responded to the shooting of the 14-year-old in York City. Northern Dover School District also had a car accident that killed a junior and the team responded there as well.

V. On-Going Vacancy Concerns

This continues to be an issue across the County and the MH-IDD Program is down about one third of the case management staff. This is a major concern but seems to be on the upswing. We are getting much more applicants and is currently working on getting them through the door, hired and maintained.

Ms. Taryn Maguire, HCMU, commented that the HealthChoices Management Unit and CCBH extended to many of the community-based providers an initiative to help with the retention and recruitment of staff. Financial support was given to providers as well as MH-IDD. She questioned whether this was helpful which was addressed below.

VI. Retention/Recruitment Dollars for Direct Care Workers/Case Management

A meeting was held with Clair Doll and Kristy Bixler to address the retention/recruitment dollars that were provided by HealthChoices and ODP. These dollars are to be used only for the recruitment and retention of staff. A plan was presented at the meeting, which will be finalized for presentation to the York County Commissioners, for approval, on how to implement the dollars. Approximately \$189,000 was received.

Commissioner Hoke thanked Ms. Harlacher for her tenure and the great job she did as administrator over the last three years. Mr. Doll advised the Board that four applicants have been identified as her replacement and interviews will be scheduled within the next day or two. Mr. Doll also expressed his thanks and appreciation for all that Ms. Harlacher has done.

VII. Statement of Revenue/Expenditures and Budget Condition

The Statement of Revenue and Expenditures and Budget Condition for the Mental Health, Intellectual Disabilities and Early Intervention Programs for the nine (9) months ended March 31, 2022, was reviewed as follows:

Program	Budget/Utilization Forecast	Actual Year-to-Date	Balance	Percent Expended
Mental Health	\$17,055,806.00	\$10,542,317.00	\$6,513,489.00	61%
<i>At this same time in prior year, 73.48% was expended compared to the current year of 61%.</i>				
Intellectual Disabilities	\$4,043,654.00	\$2,177,189.00	\$1,866,465.00	53%
<i>At this same time in prior year, 45.5% was expended compared to the current year of 53%.</i>				
Early Intervention	\$5,472,890.00	\$3,525,788.00	\$1,947,102.00	64%
<i>At this same time in the prior year, 51% was expended compared to the current year of 64%.</i>				

VIII. Action Items – Motions to Approve

a. Minutes from the February 10, 2022, meeting

The motion was made by Commissioner Martin and seconded by Commissioner Wheeler to approve the minutes as circulated.

b. Motion to Approve the PCCD Grant award for the York County Co-Responder Expansion Partnership in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2022, thru December 31, 2023.

The motion was made by Commissioner Karsteter Qually and seconded by Commissioner Wheeler to approve the grant award.

c. The following contract agreements and amendments between the York/Adams MH-IDD Program and the vendors listed between 1 thru 22:

	Vendor	Type of Service	Period of Performance	Cost
1.	Bicultural Communication Solutions, LLC (Arturo Antonio Ramirez Gomez)	Early Intervention/ Intellectual Disabilities/ Mental Health – Translation Services	February 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022	Translation services (written): \$0.10 per word
2.	McSherrystown Constables Office, LLC	Mental Health – Emergency Transport Services	November 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022	Contract start date amended from December 1, 2021 to November 1, 2021 (rates have not changed)
3.	National Alliance on Mental Illness York-Adams Counties	Mental Health	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective January 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional funds totaling \$50,885.00 for the PAUSE Program
4.	Community Services Group	Mental Health – Long-Term Structured Residence	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective April 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds of \$79,800.00 for staff retention
5.	Community Services Group	Mental Health – Enhanced Community Residential Rehabilitation	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective April 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds of \$60,600.00 for staff retention

VIII. Action Items – Motions to Approve: Continued

6.	TrueNorth Wellness Services	Mental Health – Community Residential Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$33,000.00 for staff retention
7.	TrueNorth Wellness Services	Mental Health – Residential (CHIPP)- Assisted Living Program	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$44,000.00 for staff retention
8.	TrueNorth Wellness Services	Mental Health – Housing Support Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$8,000.00 for staff retention
9.	TrueNorth Wellness Services	Mental Health – Social Rehabilitation/Drop-In (CHIPP)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$8,000.00 for staff retention
10.	TrueNorth Wellness Services	Mental Health – CHIPP-CORE (Outpatient Services)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$23,500.00 for staff retention
11.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Residential Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$21,518.80 for staff retention
12.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Residential Services (CHIPP – Assisted Living)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$21,475.10 for staff retention
13.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Social Rehabilitation Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$2,287.35 for staff retention

VIII. Action Items – Motions to Approve: Continued

14.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Administrative Case Management (Bell Family Shelter)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$2,944.00 for staff retention
15.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Social Rehabilitation (Senderos Latino Program)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$1,603.10 for staff retention
16.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Housing Support Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$2,436.85 for staff retention
17.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Housing Support Services (CHIPP)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$17,838.80 for staff retention
18.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Social Rehabilitation/Drop-In (CHIPP)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$3,824.90 for staff retention
19.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health – Direct Care Worker Initiative (DCWI)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$379.50 for staff retention
20.	Bell Socialization Services, Inc.	Mental Health	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective March 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$48,947.78 for staff retention across multiple programs & locations

VIII. Action Items – Motions to Approve: Continued

21.	Merakey Pennsylvania	Mental Health – Residential Services (Assisted Living)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective February 1, 2022)	Amended to include additional one-time only funds totaling \$25,925.00 for staff retention
22.	Merakey Pennsylvania	Mental Health – Residential Services	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (amendment effective July 1, 2021)	Rate amended from \$428.68 per day to \$610.98 per day to reflect current CCBHO rate

The motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Martin to approve the contract agreements and amendments as listed above. Signature sheets were circulated for the signatures of the York County Commissioners for the subsequent signatures of the Adams County Commissioners.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Clair Doll reported that May is Mental Health Awareness Month and a kick-off will be held at the York County Administration Building on Wednesday, May 4th at 12 noon, with a proclamation which will be awarded by the York County Commissioners. The president judge as well as the district attorney will be featured speakers. In addition, other events will be conducted to include First Friday in downtown York where a table will be set up and awareness items will be distributed. There is also a baseball game on May 20th at the Revolution Stadium where a small program will also be featured to raise awareness. A flyer will be sent to all the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hoke again thanked Ms. Harlacher for all her years of service. She will be missed. Special thanks and appreciation were also expressed by Commissioner Phiel on behalf of the Adams County Commissioners.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

The motion was made by Commissioner Phiel and seconded by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the MH-IDD portion of the meeting.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:



GILLIAN P. FOSTER
Administrative Assistant