



Indiana Behavioral Health Commission Report Subcommittee Ad Hoc Meeting

Meeting Minutes for Friday, July 8, 2022 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

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Minutes

Report Subcommittee Members Present:

J. Chaudhary K. Norris C. Negendank J. Yoder R. Lay B. Scott

Report Subcommittee Members Absent:

S. McCaffrey L. McGrath

Guests:

Rebecca Sigafus Denise Baker

A copy of the agenda is posted to <https://www.in.gov/fssa/dmha/indiana-behavioral-health-commission/>.

The Report Subcommittee members were notified the planned live recording and livestreaming was not possible due to technical difficulties and this Ad Hoc meeting was being video recorded and would be posted for the public to view. No voting occurred during this meeting.

The following items were discussed:

Item 1: Welcome & Introductions

- The purpose of this meeting was to do a walkthrough of the initial draft of the Commission's Final Report. This meeting was determined to be an Ad Hoc meeting for discussion only. No

voting could take place during this meeting. The meeting minutes from March 24, 2022, could not be approved due to the Ad Hoc nature of this meeting.

Item 2: Review of Report Draft (Walk Through Discussion and Assignments)

- **Artwork**
 - Discussion of the artwork for the report included questions about whether there would be artwork throughout the report as previously discussed. At this time there was only one artist who responded and provided one painting. It is unlikely that additional artwork could be obtained from persons with lived experience.
 - The colors of the current artwork will be used throughout the report.
 - It was suggested that the artwork/colors be more positive in nature.
 - Additional work will occur to use a high-definition picture of the artwork provided. (EVS)
- **Jay's Letter**
 - Repetition was noted between the letter, Executive Summary, Introduction and Process Description
 - EVS will review the report for duplication/redundancy and eliminate as appropriate
 - Jay's letter addressed 2 items of importance which the Commission was unable to address, and which need additional attention
 - It was determined that these items would be moved from the letter into Part III of the report (EVS)
- **Executive Summary**
 - EVS will reduce this section to no more than 2 pages with bullet points, with the focus on recommendations.
 - Add Wise Group graphic - 4.1 billion (Jay to check to see if Wise Group could revise graphic)
 - Update it to follow report broad categories
 - Cut the legislative language (link in appendix)
 - Remove process description
 - Add back CCBHC language
 - Use bullet points
- **Commission Members and Personal Statements**
 - The group liked the layout
 - A member asked to submit an update to their personal statement – EVS agreed
 - The group agreed that noting commission members' names who did not respond to the picture/personal statement request seemed reasonable and retaining information on individuals who served on the commission at any time was acceptable
- **Introduction**
 - Too long, redundant information
 - Decision- EVS will combine the Intro and Process Descriptions – Heading to be "Process Description". B. Scott willing to assist if needed for this section.

- **Flow change recommended** – EVS will change the order of the initial report sections as follows:
 - Letter from Chair
 - Executive Summary
 - Commission Members
 - Mr. Lay
 - Process Description

Part I Building a Sustainable Infrastructure

- Wicked Problems
 - Group liked the concept and agreed it was applicable
 - Recommendation to reduce the repeated reference to Indiana’s behavioral health system, asked if there is another way to capture the intent with different phrasing (EVS will review and address as appropriate)
- 988
 - Recommended to reduce number of quotes to top 5 (consider using call out/word bubbles) (EVS to select – request Jay feedback and approval)
 - Call out/highlight Surcharge and HAF as a recommendations and legislative requests (EVS)
 - Jay will draft an explanation/definition of “surcharge”
 - Remove the graphic and pull down the paragraph from above describing the anticipated costs to implement Crisis Now. (EVS)
- CCBHC
 - Jay will review and refine this section (perhaps add a graphic, take out legislative language and add link in appendix)
- Criminal Justice
 - Jay recommended this section be refined, needs a more concrete focus, organize as per other sections in report
 - The group discussed EVS questions: “Note to report subcommittee- please discuss whether more content is needed for mental health courts, Medicaid expansion in jail/prisons, and formularies ...or reduce content regarding competency restoration”
 - K. Norris and Dr. Negendank agreed to review and refine this section

Part II Overall Mental Health/Hoosier Well Being

- Mental Health Literacy
 - J. Yoder will review and refine this section (including - add language to bridge pieces together; information on evidence of academic outcomes when focusing on mental health literacy, also safety concerns)
 - Letter will have final signatures and will be moved to Appendix. J. Yoder to update the content in the report by citing this letter and stating it will be located in the Appendix.

- Format will be updated to flow like other section (Potential Impact will be added)
- Harness Primary Care – No changes noted
- Parity – No changes noted

Part III Workforce

- Workforce
 - EVS will check format for consistency

Part IV Bridge to the Future

- Combine recommendations/first 2 bullets (adjust Medicaid Rates and Medicaid rate study (EVS))
- Add excerpt from Jay’s letter regarding 2 items which were not addressed but need additional attention/content (Jay for content) (EVS to move)
- Jay and Barb will review and refine this section; consider adding residential language
- **Funding** (B. Scott and Jay will review and refine this section)
 - Cost of Untreated Mental Illness
 - Suggestion to put Wise report summary of findings into a graphic or linear /table
 - Discussion regarding who would do the graphic: DMHA intern, or Wise Group (EVS suggests Wise Group since it is an excerpt of their data and from their report)
 - What Have We Spent and What Has It Gotten Us?
 - Add reference under SMI graphic (EVS)
 - How Much More Funding Is Needed
 - Jay will review and refine
 - Determining the amount of funding requires benchmarking, detailed financial projections, actuarial analyses, and a host of other activities the Commission was not able to undertake. (Reframe this sentence to make a more positive statement...)

Item 3: Summary and Review for Next Steps

Discussed timeframes for all updates. All updates and revisions are due to EVS, LLC by no later than EOB July 18, 2022. This will allow for time to complete edits and submit to the Commission Member no less than one week prior to the August 3, 2022 meeting.

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