

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

Executive Committee Meeting – Minutes

AUGUST 7, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. – GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON – KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

CHAIRMAN: LADON LINDE

ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON: CAMERON FORDMEIR; FAWN WAGNER; GORDON CABLE; JIM NELSON; MICHAEL ALVAREZ; QUINN BELL; SALOMON CARRASCO; KAREN RICHARDSON; SINDI SAUNDERS; RENE LEGLER

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: BERTHA CLAYTON; BRETT WACHSMITH; CODY NESBITT; JACK MILLER; JENNIFER DANIEL; JOEL CHAVEZ; KYLE SULLIVAN; MIKE BERNEY; SARAH GILLARD; ZACHARY RODDY; SUNDIE WOODBURY; MELISSA HOLM

Item	TYPE	Description	Discussion Leader	ACTION
Call to Order		Jim Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:03am	Jim Nelson	
Introductions			Jim Nelson	
Agenda Changes		None	Jim Nelson	
Previous Executive Committee Minutes	ACTION ACTION	Approval of June 5, 2025 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Approval of June 26, 2025 email only in lieu of July 3, 2025 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes	Jim Nelson	Commissioner Michael Alvarez moved to approve the June 5, 2025 and June 26, 2025 email only in lieu of July 3, 2025 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes; Mike Berney seconded; motion approved.
Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION ACTION	ASO –Warrants and Vouchers: June 2025: \$3,703,975.65 July 2025: \$2,197,698.28	Jim Nelson	Commissioner Michael Alvarez moved to approve the June 2025 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$3,703,975.65 and the July 2025 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$2,197,698.28; Commissioner Bertha Clayton seconded; motion approved.
ASO Updates		Fiscal & Administrative Updates 1. IT Update: No updates 2. Financials: Karen Richardson discussed: - June 2025 and July 2025 financials; FY25 has been closed out - Waiting on payment from HCA; Karen has sent out payments to the crisis providers using the withheld funding to cover until payment is received from HCA. Commissioner Clayton voiced concerns regarding		

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		when the HCA would be sending the payment; suggested writing a letter to HCA if it gets past 45 days. 3. Karen discussed the following Contracts: Doc 17 – Contracts - DOC to ASO and ASO to Network Providers ACTION Doc 17a – Contract No. 26 – 45409 – 003 - July 2025 – June 2026 ACTION Doc 17b – Contract No. #26CBRA – BCDHS – 00 (Benton County Dept. of Human Services) ACTION Doc 17c – Contract No. #26CBRA – COMP – 00 (Comprehensive Healthcare) ACTION Doc 17d – Contract No. #26CBRA – PRC -)) (Palouse River Counseling) ACTION Doc 17e – Contract No. #26CBRA – QBH – 00 (Quality Behavioral Health) Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders discussed: • 2 Critical Incidents reported; one from Yakima, one from Kittitas County – Both were media events. • No Compliance issues reported. 4. ASO and State Updates: Sindi Saunders discussed: • The Compliance Plan – CO201 and asked for volunteers for a Compliance committee. • HCA Team Monitoring annual audit results; No issues, one recommendation. Did a great job! • Upcoming audits: Credentialing audit with all of the MCO's and the Crisis audit with the MCO's. • New Contract Requirement from HCA called the Annual Crisis of Continuum of Care forum. Will be August 21, 2025 from 10:30am to noon. • House Bill 1813 passed: Readiness review to include: Clinical Pathways, Delegation agreement oversight; Care coordination; Quality monitoring. • Cameron Fordmeir discussed: Deflection and Diversion and Therapeutic courts, discussing a Pre-Arrest and a "Pilot Pre-arrest" program. Columbia Valley Recovery coming spring 2026. • Gordon Cable stated YARP and CBRA have had no changes; business as usual. 5. Crisis Reports: Sindi Saunders reviewed the Crisis reports for June 2025.		Commissioner Michael Alvarez moved to approve Documents 17a through 17e as presented; Commissioner Bertha Clayton seconded; Mike Berney abstained for Whitman County; motion approved.

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Legal Updates		No Legal updates for GCBH	Quinn Bell	
Committee Reports/Info		1. Clinical Crisis Providers: July 17, 202 – Sindi Saunders discussed: • Big Beautiful Bill • Eastern State Hospital, consortia and care coordination • CLIP; 14 referrals so far in 2025; wait time is 90 days • FYSPRT: continuing to give lock boxes, med bags; continuing to look for another Tri-Lead. • Endorsement teams; 1 provider for our region, Quality Behavioral Health. Going live October 1, 2025 • YARP team; 11 referrals in June 2025 • CBRA; 93% of budget has been spent and 3% reduction for this next year. • RNP and AOT update. 2. QMOC Committee: July 21, 2025 – Sindi Saunders • Went through the contract requirements • Going well, meeting all requirements 3. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC): July 17, 2025 – Mike Berney Discussed: • FY26 (CBHEF) Community Behavioral Health Enhancement Funds Plans • FFOC Application for Katie Hammeke	Jim Nelson	
	ACTION	Doc 12 – FY26 (CBHEF) Community Behavioral Health Enhancement Funds Plan		Mike Berney moved to approve FY26 CBHEF plans as presented; Commissioner Bertha Clayton seconded; motion approved.
	ACTION	Doc 13 – FFOC Application – Katie Hammeke		Commissioner Michael Alvarez moved to approve the FFOC Application for Katie Hammeke; Commissioner Bertha Clayton seconded; motion approved.

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		4. MIS Committee: June 17, 2025 – Rene Legler discussed: - Reviewed contractual requirements for submitting data - Changes to the Behavioral Health Data Guide and the Service Encounter Reporting Instructions - Concern of SERI Transactions and the overuse of unknown values when submitting transactions. The overuse of these transactions is a concern because it jeopardizes Block Grant Funding for the entire state of Washington - HCA Quarterly Data completeness and Quality reports 5. BHAB: July 29, 2025 – Fawn Wagner discussed: - Gave the board new updates since the last meeting - Reviewed the FY26 Mental Health Block Grant Plans as well as the FY26 SUPTRS Block Grant plan and a new BHAB Application, all of which have been reviewed and recommended to be presented to the Executive Committee for approval.		
	ACTION	Doc 14 – FY26 (MHBG) Mental Health Block Grant Plan		Mike Berney moved to approve the FY26 MHBG plan as presented; Commissioner Michael Alvarez seconded; motion approved.
	ACTION	Doc 15 – FY26 (SUPTRS) Substance Use Block Grant Plan		Commissioner Michael Alvarez moved to approve the FY26 SUPTRS plan as presented; Commissioner Bertha Clayton seconded; motion approved.

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	ACTION	Doc 16 – BHAB Application – Brooke Lynn Dahlke		Commissioner Bertha Clayton moved to approve the BHAB application for Brooke Lynn Dahlke as presented; Commissioner Michael Alvarez seconded; motion approved.
Public Comments		None	Jim Nelson	
Other Business		None	Jim Nelson	
Executive Session		None	Jim Nelson	
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 9:58am	Jim Nelson	Commissioner Bertha Clayton moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Michael Alvarez seconded; motion approved.