

# GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

## Executive Committee Meeting – Minutes

NOVEMBER 6, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. – GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON – KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

CHAIRMAN: LADON LINDE

ATTENDANCE IN PERSON: FAWN WAGNER; KAREN RICHARDSON; LADON LINDE; MIKE BERNEY; QUINN BELL; RENE LEGLER; SALOMON CARRASCO; SINDI SAUNDERS;  
ZACHARY RODDY

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: CHRIS SEUBERT; CODY NESBITT; CONNIE MOM-CHHING; JENNIFER DANIEL; JIM NELSON; JODI DALY; JOEL CHAVEZ; KYLE SULLIVAN;  
KATHLEEN STEWARDSON; ESTHER MAGASIS; SUNDIE WOODBURY

| Item                                 | TYPE   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Discussion Leader | ACTION                                                                                                                                             |
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| Call to Order                        |        | LaDon Linde called the meeting to order at 9:01am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                                                                                    |
| Introductions                        |        | Fawn Wagner called roll                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                                                                                    |
| Agenda Changes                       |        | No changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                                                                                    |
| Previous Executive Committee Minutes | ACTION | Approval of October 2, 2025, Executive Committee Minutes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | LaDon Linde       | Mike Berney moved to approve the October 2, 2025, meeting minutes as presented; Commissioner Jim Nelson seconded; motion approved.                 |
| Warrants/ Vouchers                   | ACTION | ASO –Warrants and Vouchers:<br>Doc 3 – October 2025: \$3,432,851.81                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | LaDon Linde       | Commissioner Jim Nelson moved to approve the October warrants and vouchers in the amount of \$3,432,851.81; Mike Berney seconded; motion approved. |
| ASO Updates                          |        | <b>Fiscal &amp; Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financials for October 2025</li> <li>Currently there are no issues with funding designated to GCBH in regard to the federal shut-down.</li> <li>Currently working on the State (SAO) Annual Report that is due by November 27, 2025.</li> </ul> <b>Clinical, QM, Compliance &amp; State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders discussed:</b> <b>ASO and State Updates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zero Compliance issues and Zero Critical incidents reported.</li> </ul> |                   |                                                                                                                                                    |

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|                               |      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last week GCBH had an administrative audit with the MCO's; Passed with 100%</li> <li>• Met with Yakama Nation last week, working on the Crisis Coordination Plan. Met with the tribe and finalized the plan. This still has to go to the Tribal leaders for approval; there does not seem any concern about them approving it.</li> <li>• Yakama Nation is working on getting a Tribal DCR; North Sound ASO has been working on a pilot for Tribal DCR training; 2 members from Yakama nation has taken this.</li> <li>• Continuing to work on HB 1813 regarding the MCO's and the Crisis Stabilization facilities delegating to the ASO's and what it will look like when it goes into effect in July of 2026.</li> <li>• Continuing to work with HCA and DOH on the 988 implementation.</li> <li>• Legislative Session is about to start. Currently we do not have any ASO priorities that we would like to pass</li> <li>• WASAC and Jail medical treatment; Medical treatment and liability insurance seems to be increasing across the board.</li> <li>• Next week, Sindi is attending a meeting in Salt Lake City; The Justice Center Counsel State Government invited 4 states to participate. Washington, New Jersey, Utah and Virginia. Looking at conversations around sustaining Co-response.</li> <li>• <b>Crisis Reports: Sindi Saunders reviewed the Crisis reports for June 2025.</b></li> </ul> |                   |        |
| <b>Legal Updates</b>          |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Quinn Bell        |        |
| <b>Committee Reports/Info</b> |      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Clinical Crisis Providers:</b> October 16, 2025 – Sindi Saunders discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOH and the HCA met for this meeting to talk to the providers regarding the 988 system and how they are currently taking calls</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. QMOC Committee:</b> October 20, 2025 - Sindi Saunders discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single Bed Certs: Had 0 in September, and 2 in October.</li> <li>• SABG: not allowed for undocumented individuals; been using Trueblood funding.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | LaDon Linde       |        |

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|      |      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CLIP: 18 referrals, 90 day wait for a bed</li> <li>No Bed reports: 10 for September, 8 for October</li> <li>RNP: Q3 had 893 outreaches and 405 individuals with case management services.</li> <li>YARP: 82 referrals YTD.</li> <li>Met all of our contracted timelines; team is doing great.</li> </ul> <p><b>3. Finance &amp; Fiscal Operations (FFOC):</b> October 25, 2025 - Mike Berney discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review/Discuss FY26-FY27 Preliminary Budget</li> <li>The FFOC committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Executive Committee that a public hearing be held on the FY26-FY27 Preliminary Biennium Budget at the December meeting. No concerns with this.</li> </ul> <p><b>4. MIS Committee:</b> October 28, 2025 - Rene Legler discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes to the BHDG and SERI; changes will be effective January 1, 2026</li> <li>Reminded providers to submit DOH license number in the claim files.</li> <li>Did a few projects a GCBH. Moved to a new virtualization solution. Moved some old equipment from the server room.</li> <li>Katie Hammeke volunteered to be the chair for MIS committee.</li> </ul> <p><b>5. BHAB:</b> October 28, 2025 - Fawn Wagner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BHAB reviewed the ASO Meeting documents as per the usual; there were no concerns.</li> <li>Updates on all GCBH programs, no concerns</li> <li>Discussed the BHAB application that was received from Cindy Adams to be a voting member of BHAB; the committee moved to recommend Cindy Adams's application be presented to the Executive Committee for approval as a BHAB voting member.</li> <li><b>Membership application: Cindy Adams</b></li> </ul> |                   | <p><b>ACTION</b></p> <p>Mike Berney moved to approve Cindy Adams as a voting member of BHAB; Kyle Sullivan seconded; motion approved.</p> |

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| Public Comments   |      | Joel Chavez discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SABG funds and not able to use the funds for undocumented; Joel asked if providers were asking for proof of residency. Sindi Saunders explained that any provider or ASO that knowingly uses federal funds for undocumented individuals will be penalized. We do our best to make an educated decision. We can use Trueblood funding for coverage of individuals that are undocumented.</li> </ul> | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                               |
| Other Business    |      | Mike Berney discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>He will be retiring at the end of 2025</li> <li>He introduced Kathleen Stewardson as the new Palouse River Counseling Executive Director.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                               |
| Executive Session |      | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | LaDon Linde       |                                                                                               |
| Adjournment       |      | Meeting adjourned at 10:04am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | LaDon Linde       | Commissioner Jim Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting; Mike Berney seconded meeting adjourned. |