

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

Executive Committee Meeting – Minutes

FEBRUARY 12, 2026 – 9:00 A.M. – GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON – KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

CHAIRMAN: LADON LINDE

ATTENDANCE IN PERSON: CAMERON FORDMEIR; CHRIS SEUBERT; FAWN WAGNER; JUSTIN DIXON; KAREN RICHARDSON; LADON LINDE; MEREDITH PIEHOWSKI; MICHAEL ALVAREZ; QUINN BELL; RENE LEGLER; ROCKY MULLEN; SARAH GILLARD; SALOMON CARRASCO; SINDI SAUNDERS; ZACHARY RODDY

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: BERTHA CLAYTON; BRETT WACHSMITH; CODY NESBITT; CONNIE MOM-CHHING; JENNIFER DANIEL; JODI DALY; JOEL CHAVEZ; KYLE SULLIVAN; TOM HANDY

Item	TYPE	Description	Discussion Leader	ACTION
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	December 4, 2025, Executive Committee Minutes	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Alvarez moved to approve December 4, 2025, meeting minutes as presented; Commissioner Seubert seconded; motion approved.
Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION ACTION	ASO –Warrants and Vouchers: - December 2025: \$3,430,959.76 - January 2026: \$3,012,021.98	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Seubert moved to approve the December 2025 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$3,430,959.76 and January 2026 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$3,012,021.98 as presented; Commissioner Alvarez seconded; motion approved.
ASO Updates		Fiscal & Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson discussed: - Financials - January 2026 Financials - Projected 10% cut to RNP (SUD Navigator) program for FY27; There is reserve funding to keep GCBH whole until FY28 - In the middle of a State Fiscal Audit for FY25 - Trueblood – explanation to the Commissioners that needed clarification of the grant.		

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		- Trueblood originally was designed out of a lawsuit where WA state was sued that they were not meeting the statutory guidelines for getting compensating restoration orders for people who were incarcerated. The funding has changed slightly and is now for identifying people who don't have insurance to allow them to get into a crisis triage facility or some form of assistance in that area. Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders discussed ASO Updates: • No Compliance or Critical Incidents reported. • Staff required training is done and has been passed by all team members. • Team monitoring is coming up (HCA makes sure we are fulfilling our contract requirements); Audit will be in June • Will be getting “Readiness Reviews” from the MCO’s that we contract with. This is to make sure the ASO’s are capable of doing the work that will be delegated in July. • Planning for our on-site audits and Clinical Chart Audits; will begin in April. • 2 new facilities are opening in Benton County: - Run by Aristo: Hood Place. 16-bed voluntary unlocked BH unit. And a 16-bed locked long-term bed unit (on a 90-180 day hold). They are still waiting for the licenses for this facility. - Columbia Valley Center for Recovery; to open May 1st. Will have a Crisis Stabilization unit; a crisis respite unit; and a residential SUD unit. • Discussed at length: Yakima County ITA Case Loads discussed. Caps on number of ITA cases in the counties. 2 documents were sent to all commissioners after the meeting regarding this.		

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		State Updates: - HB 1813 – There is a requirement in it for MCO's to delegate all crisis services to the ASO's; adding Crisis stabilization and Crisis respite to the ASO contracts. There was a decision by the governor's office to have this pushed off until summer of 2027; however, HCA said it will start/ go-live July 2026. This may require the hiring of more staff. - HB 2720 – Requiring Commercial Carriers to cover Crisis Services; requires all carriers to pay a per member per month to the ASO's starting in January 2027. - Re-procurement (how many MCO's do we need in each area) – this will be pushed off until 2028. 2. Crisis Reports: Sindi Saunders discussed the December 2025 and the 2025 Full year Extended Report. No concerns. Youth Access and Resource Program (YARP) - Meredith Piehowski walked through a PowerPoint explaining YARP. 4. Recovery Navigator Program (RNP) Cameron Fordmeir discussed: - RNP Full Year Report		
Legal Updates		No	Quinn Bell	
Committee Reports/Info	ACTION ACTION	1. Clinical Crisis Providers – January 15, 2026 – Kris Brown Committee Applications: - Iain Crockett - Kathleen Stewardson 2. QMOC Committee – No meeting 3. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC) – No meeting 4. MIS Committee – December 16, 2025 – Rene Legler gave an update for MIS; no major updates. 5. BHAB – No meeting	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Handy moved to approve the Committee applications for CCP committee for Iain Crockett and Kathleen Stewardson as presented; Commissioner Clayton seconded; motion approved.

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Public Comments		None	LaDon Linde	
Other Business		Commissioner Seubert discussed: RNP and potentially using the 1/10th of 1% for Asotin County as well as teaming up with Cameron Fordmeir and the Asotin County Jail manager.	LaDon Linde	
Executive Session		None	LaDon Linde	
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 10:07am	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Clayton moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Dixon seconded; motion approved.