

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

Executive Committee Meeting – Minutes

MAY 7, 2026 – 9:00 A.M. – GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON – KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

CHAIRMAN: LADON LINDE

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: BERTHA CLAYTON; BRETT WACHSMITH; CAMERON FORDMEIR; CHRIS SEUBERT; CICILY ZORNES; CODY NESBITT; FAWN WAGNER; GORDON CABLE; JOSI DALY; JUSTIN DIXON; JOEL CHAVEZ; KAREN RICHARDSON; KATHLEEN STEWARSON; KYLE SULLIVAN; LADON LINDE; MICHAEL ALVAREZ; QUINN BELL; RENE LEGLER; SALOMON CARRASCO; SINDI SAUNDERS; SUNDIE WOODBURY; TOM HANDY; JARMYN KRAMLICH

Item	TYPE	Description	Discussion Leader	ACTION
Call to Order		LaDon Linde called the meeting to order at 9:02am	LaDon Linde	
Introductions		Fawn Wagner called roll	LaDon Linde	
Agenda Changes		No changes	LaDon Linde	
Previous Executive Committee Minutes	ACTION	Approval of April 2, 2026, Executive Committee Minutes	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Dixon moved to approve the April 2, 2026, meeting minutes as presented; Commissioner Clayton seconded; motion approved.
Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION	ASO –Warrants and Vouchers: April 2026: \$2,570,119.88	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Clayton moved to approve the April 2026 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$2,570,119.88 as presented; Kyle Sullivan seconded; motion approved
ASO Updates	ACTION	Fiscal & Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson 1. Financials: April 2026 HCA – GCBH K8344 Amendment 04 5-5-2026		Commissioner Handy moved to allow the chair to sign the contract HCA – GCBH K8344 Amendment 04 5-5-2026 as presented; Commissioner Seubert seconded; motion approved.

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		Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders discussed: • No Compliance Concerns, Grievances or Critical Incidents reported to the ASO 2. ASO and State Updates – Sindi Saunders discussed: Legislative • WASAC in Walla Walla next week; looking at the next legislative session and what bill proposals are coming up. Out of 20, 2 look to be directed to Behavioral Health. One is for ITA court costs, the other is regarding co-response or law enforcement. Will see after WASAC is done as to which bills are supported. Statewide • HB 1813; have submitted and completed all MCO audits • Looking at extending our contract with the MCO's to include the Crisis stabilization and CRC line of business going into effect July 2026. • Weekly meeting with MCO's regarding rate structure and what the payment for the ASO for the service is going to be. Looking to ask for a PMPM payment from the MCO's so we can serve all their members. • For our region, there are 4 facilities that offer Crisis Stabilization services that GCBH will be contracting with for those services. • GCBH has been working to meet the National Accreditation standards for the MCO's; have spent a lot of time creating and amending new policies and procedures; also creating new committee charters, changing the structure of existing committees (starting in July). • GCBH is hoping to have more information in the future to bring to the committee about what is really going on in the communities. • Working on Team Monitoring audit; due June 2, 2026 to the state. • Have completed all of the agency audits; no concerns or corrective actions.		

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		- Continuing to work on the Opioid abatement counsel with Kittitas County - Next week; 1st ever Tribal DCR academy. Happening in Yakima at the Tribe; sponsored by North Sound ASO. - Behavioral Healthcare Conference next month in Kennewick, June 11th and 12th. GCBH medical director will be onsite during this time as well as attending. 3. Crisis Reports: Sindi Saunders discussed the March 2026 Reports; no concerns Public question/statement: Would be interesting to see if the numbers on the Crisis reports can be broken out by county. Sindi Saunders explained - the numbers are broken out on the reports and are available online, broken out by provider and by county. LaDon asked regarding abandoned calls; Does that mean the call was never connected or was the call dropped? Sindi Saunders explained – If the call is unable to be answered, it went to voicemail; or answered and the individual hangs up it is considered abandoned as well.		
Legal Updates		None	Quinn Bell	
Committee Reports/Info		1. Clinical Crisis Providers – April 16, 26 Sindi Saunders discussed: - The transition to the ASO overseeing Crisis Stabilization. - What the providers are working on in their local communities. - Restructuring the committee; giving it a new name and we would like someone from every one of our providers. - GCBH will be Credentialing 2 new providers – Lourdes, CVRC - ESH and discharge planning - CLIP has had 9 referrals in 2026; there is a waitlist currently. - YARP has had 31 referrals and 5 MDT's up to date; 13 Care Coordination meetings. - CBRA; spending 100% of the funds this month. - RNP has turned in all their reports to the state.	LaDon Linde	

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		• AOT – DCR Bootcamp and concerns about payments that have not gone to providers from HCA. 2. QMOC Committee – April 20, 26 Sindi Saunders • Changing name to IQMOC (Internal) • Went through the Care Coordination network adequacy standards. • Utilization data of the Crisis System metrics • Review the authorization and notification timeframes to make sure we are meeting contract standards. • In-patient, ENT and long-term bed utilization. • Approval and denial rates, volumes and trends. • 3 No bed reports; 1 Single bed cert and No denials • New Long-term bed opening in Benton County • UM integrity training all staff had to take. • Locus Medical Necessity training all staff had to take. • Utilization of YARP, CLIP and Customer Service line. 3. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC) – No meeting 4. MIS Committee – April 21, 26 Rene Legler discussed: • Reviewed future changes to the funding transaction and the BHDG. • HCA will add a new code so providers can report clients who no longer receive public funding. • Reminded providers that clients with Crisis only services should not have a funding transaction. • New SERI document published April 1, 2026, will go into effect July 1, 2026. • With the addition of the crisis stabilization services being reported through the ASO's, starting July1, 2026, we will be making changes to the Raintree system. Once Raintree is ready for test files, we will let providers know. • Raintree is our database where we receive all of the state transactions and claim files and then send them to the HCA or MCO's. 5. BHAB – No Meeting		

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Public Comments		None	LaDon Linde	
Other Business		Creation of Draft letter to State Auditor's office regarding the Management Letter given to Karen Richardson; will be adding "On behalf of the board/executive committee." As well as adding, from Commissioner Handy, "we remain committed to maintain strong internal controls, a strong working relationship with the ASO and full compliance with GAAP requirements."	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Dixon moved to support the letter with the revision of adding on behalf of the board and an addition of Commissioner Handy; Commissioner Clayton seconded; motion approved.
Executive Session		No	LaDon Linde	
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 9:44am	LaDon Linde	Commissioner Clayton moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Dixon seconded; motion approved.