

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

Clinical Crisis Providers Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 20, 2025 – 10:30 A.M.

GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON -- KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON - CHAIRPERSON: RON GENGLER

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: ALYSSA CRUZ; ANN MARIE RIDINGER; CAMERON FORDMEIR; DANIKA GWINN; FAWN WAGNER; GORDON CABLE; KRIS BROWN; MEREDITH PIEHOWSKI; MIKE BERNE; ROBERTA ELLIS; RON GENGLER; SALOMON CARRASCO; SARAH GILLARD; SINDI SAUNDERS; ZACHARY RODDY; KATHLEEN STEWARDSON; AUBREE DOWNING; JENNIFER DANIEL; IAIN CROCKETT

#	Item	ACTION	Description	Discussion Leader	ACTION
1.	Call to Order		Ron Gengler called the meeting to order at 10:30am	Ron Gengler	
2.	Introductions		Fawn Wagner called roll	Fawn Wagner	
3.	Agenda Changes		None	Ron Gengler	
4.	Review Previous Minutes	ACTION	Approve October 16, 2025, meeting minutes	Ron Gengler	Mike Berney moved to approve the October 16, 2025, meeting minutes as distributed; Danika Gwinn seconded; motion approved.
5.	ASO/Provider Updates		Sindi Saunders discussed: - Upcoming contract changes; Crisis stabilization unit; Budget for 2 years instead of year-to-year budget. - Year end deliverables to tie up - Team Monitoring has been scheduled earlier than usual this next year. Provider audits will most likely be done earlier than usual. - Tribal Crisis Coordination plan has been approved. Will have a conversation in December with HCA regarding DCR's crossing county lines. - Yakama Tribe is looking to getting their own DCR's - HCA staffing/leadership changes - No Critical Incidents reported; No complaints reported; No grievances reported.	Sindi Saunders	
6.	Crisis System Dashboard		No report in Cody's absence.	Cody Nesbitt	
7.	ESH/Long Term Beds		Kris Brown discussed: Continuing with care coordination with ESH. On meetings 2-3 times a week with ESH, DSHS, MCOs, and ASOs for D/C planning and care coordination.	Kris Brown	

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			- If you are having issues contacting anyone at ESH, Kris can assist as he is in touch with a lot of individuals at ESH. - Continuing to do care coordination on Long Term Bed Diversions. The state reports that more community long term beds are scheduled to open in the coming months. No issues currently.		
8.	Children's Long-Term Inpatient (CLIP)		Meredith Piehowski discussed: 17 referrals in 2025 3 non-Medicaid referrals being worked on - MCO's reporting they are getting a lot of CLIP referrals daily - Clip-it had a Medicaid presentation - Planning to have a longer Clip-it meeting potentially in March for some presentations and longer conversations. - Continuing to work on guidelines; information for CLIP parents.	Meredith Piehowski	
9.	Family Youth System Partner Round Table (FYSPRT)		Salomon Carrasco discussed: - Finished Fiscal 2026 Q1 report 8 attended events; have attended events in many counties. - New tri-leads; have filled the family and youth tri-lead. - No December FYSPRT meeting; next will be in January 2026.	Salomon Carrasco	
10.	Endorsement Teams		Salomon Carrasco discussed: On Cohort 3; no new applications as of right now. If there are extra funds, maybe taking more applications July 2026	Salomon Carrasco	
11.	Youth Access and Resource Program (YARP)		Gordon Cable discussed: - Lots of events; joined with FYSPRT. 96 referrals year to date; 13 in October, 6 so far in November 5 MDTs in just over a month 10+ Care Coordination meetings - YARP is in the entire state of WA now. - HCA is looking at metrics and outcomes; looking at what metrics are important to gather for youth and family.	Gordon Cable	

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12.	Community Behavioral Health Rental Assistance Program (CBRA)		Gordon Cable discussed: - Slight decrease in funding last year. Expect to spend near 100% this year. - Completed monitoring this week - Columbia and Garfield counties have not had service yet for CBRA. 2026-2027 may be requiring additional backup documents for the program.	Gordon Cable	
13.	Recovery Navigator Program (RNP)		Cameron Fordmeir discussed: - When the program started, each ASO had to come up with a plan for how their region is going to operate based off the Uniform Standards. 7 teams in the region completed their sections on the plan; ahead of schedule.	Cameron Fordmeir	
14.	Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)		Cameron Fordmeir discussed: - No petitions filed for the region - At the State level there is a push for AOT; discussion still ongoing regarding funding being for court system, not providers	Cameron Fordmeir	
15.	Regional Behavioral Health Advocate: Ad Hoc or Quarterly Report		Aubree Downing for Alyssa Cruz discussed: - Slower month with calls - People are worried about housing, clothing, food etc. - Available for presentations. - Funding being worked on for next year.	Alyssa Cruz	
16.	Provider Comments/Issues		Ann Marie Riddinger discussed: - WADCR Association just brought Frank Couch on as an intergovernmental liaison to help tribal affairs with DCR related work. Danika Gwinn discussed: - Issues with D/C planning with hospitals; discussed at length.	Various	
17.	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 11:20pm	Ron Gengler	