

**TIOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE**

May 3rd, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Hybrid

- **Review and approve April 2024 meeting minutes**

- **Director's Report**

- **Other Business**

- **Conferences/Workshops**

Next regular meeting: Friday, June 7th, 2024 at 9:00am

TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE

**MH SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE TIOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

Pending Approval

Subcommittee meeting date: April 5th, 2024

Via Hybrid

Member Attendance: Fran Bialy
John Bezirganian, MD
Nadia Constant
Donna Corbin
Sue Medina
Carolyn Galatzan
Tina Lounsbury

Guest Attendance: Eric Mastrogiovanni

Mental Hygiene Staff Attendance: Lori Morgan, Director of Community Services
Cathy Healy, Clinical Program Director
Sue Graves (minutes)

Category: Minutes for February & March 2024 – Approved as written

Topic: Director's Report – Lori Morgan

Discussion: Updates:

- **Waverly Site**
 - Brief history reviewed
 - Project is moving forward
 - Hoping to occupy space by the beginning of 2025
 - 15-year lease was negotiated
 - Lease signed with Marte Sauerbrey expected to sign next
 - ADS will be back at the site as well
 - Lori will be attending works sessions to update on the Waverly site
 - Legislator Dale Weston, who was a big component in having a county office in the Waverly village space has passed
 - Thank you to all involved

- DFC Grant
 - Christina Olevano is no longer with Trinity
 - Trinity no longer wants to support the DFC Grant
 - Public Health will be running the DFC Grant
 - Hiring a Project Manager/Coordinator
 - Mental Health will continue to oversee and hold the funding
 - Money to be used for the Coalition
- Tioga Central School District Contract
 - History reviewed
 - Current steps shared with group
 - Meeting held with Albany, Lori, and the Tioga Central team
 - State made clear the spirit of the grant
 - Another meeting with all parties has been scheduled
 - Lori is looking internally for a part-time clinician for the school
- SOS Meeting
 - RSS contracting with Catholic Charities of Cortland, Tompkins & Tioga Counties
 - Catholic Charities has not received the funding to date
 - Project is in the planning stages
 - Team lead in Cortland County hired
 - Looking to fill Care Manager & Peer positions
 - Coordination challenges briefly discussed
- State Plan
 - Not developed yet
 - Lori is involved with the workgroup
- Email from State received
 - Stated: No releases needed
 - Clinic is still doing release and will continue to do so

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Clinical Program Director – Cathy Healy

Discussion: Updates:

- Staffing
 - Jeff Caris, LMHC has started in the Spencer Middle School
 - One clinician resigned
 - Continue to interview for MH & ADS positions
 - Accepting internships

- Staff Survey
 - Responses being collated
- Staff Wellness Day on 4/11/24
 - Held twice a year
- Workload
 - MH Open Access is extremely busy
 - ADS Open Access is picking up as well
 - Census continues to increase
- Treatment Plans
 - Conducting annual treatment plan reviews
 - Still auditing charts
 - Lori expressed concern with annual treatment plans but still auditing 100% of the charts every 90 days

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Articles

Discussion: Updates:

- April – Alcohol Awareness Month
 - Cathy to talk to Porshea regarding length.
 - Will be submitted to Pennysaver for April
- Feb 2025 – Eating Disorder Awareness
 - Nadia from Hea Hea to write

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Other Business

Discussion: Updates:

- Hea Hea – Nadia Constant
 - Finalizing the Improvement Report from the OMH audit
 - Due April 11th, 2024
 - A lot of training with MH Community Partner Grant
 - Binghamton University reached out to help implement a program to serve their students
 - Meeting today at 11am
 - Insurance Credentialing
 - Company hired to handle credentialing
 - Due diligence completed for software purchase
 - Fine tuning business model
 - Working on marketing

- Spoke with OMH about expansion to Intensive Outpatient down the road via on site and online
- Public Health – Sue Medina
 - Job post for Coalition Coordinator
 - Drug Take Back Day on 4/27/24
 - On site from 10a-2p
 - Accepting sharps as well as medications
 - Sheriff's Department on site to assist
- DSS – Donna Corbin
 - Almost fully staffed
- A New Hope Center – Fran Bialy
 - April Events
 - 4/14 – Smash Brothers
 - 4/16 -Hotline training via Zoom
 - 2x per week – 5 weeks = 30 hours with additional 10 hours within the year
 - Rape Counseling Certifications
 - Trying to recruit volunteers
 - 4/24 – Denim Day
 - Pass thru funding received for Survivors Financial Assistance - “Financial Empowerment” (emergency financial assistance)
 - CAC Open House postponed until possibly 6/26/24
 - Suicide Prevention Coalition kick off meeting 4/24/24

Status: Informational - Complete

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:28am.