GACSB Clinical Operations Committee

Teleconference Thursday, February 3, 2:00 p.m.

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Advantage BHS Shannon Kelly,* Jada Harrison	☐ Fulton County Erika Williams-Walker*	Middle Flint BHC Willie Greene*	
Advantage BHS Tamara Conlin	☐ Gateway CSB Sharon Smith & Mark Johnson, MD	New Horizons CSB Denise Wade McLeod	
Aspire BHDD Lisa Oosterveen	Georgia Pines CSB Dr. Richard Hughes*	Oconee CSB TJ McCall	Medical Dir. Liaison Lenora Allen, MD
Avita Community Partners Lori Holbrook*	Haralson BHS Jamie Brown	Pathways CenterC Dunn	☐ IDD Liaison/Leader June Dipolito, Sara Case
Clayton Center CSB Lanell Johnson	Highland Rivers CSB Dr. Michelle Hamm	☐ Pineland MH/IDD/AD June DiPolito	BH Liaison/Leader Denise Forbes
Cobb CSB Michelle Hamm	Legacy BHS Paivi Parssinen	River Edge BHC Miranda Nunez*	
	Lookout Mountain CSB Carla Myers*	Serenity BHC Stephen Martell*	
☐ DeKalb CSB Renee Dryfoos, Sara Case	Lookout Mountain CSB Jim Moon	□ Unison BHC Tiffany Henderson*, Viva Steed	
	McIntosh Trail CSB		
	Lenora Allen, Emily Buck		

Ceremonial Matters

- Dr. Johnson called meeting to order and there were not enough members present for quorum.
- Committee will vote at next meeting if quorum achieved to approve agenda and minutes.
- Jesse Hambrick will research to determine each organizations voting member or alternate and report back.

Vaccine Mandate Update

- Covid has seemingly peaked and is currently on a drop-off period; hospitalizations and deaths lag a couple of weeks behind, so they have not yet peaked.
- Agencies can order N95 masks which can be obtained where vaccines are provided but supplies are limited. National Council has test kits available and BTTN offered kits as well for \$10/kit. If you would like the links or contact info to order, contact Jesse Hambrick.
- Covid is returning to its natural form and will likely go more along the lines of a common cold in near
 future. England has cancelled the vaccine mandate for healthcare workers and has largely removed
 covid restrictions. Universities have dropped mandates because this drop off period appears to be
 the worldwide trend. Vaccine and natural immunity seem to be helping, and South Africa, for
 instance, has returned to normal. Hope for US to return to normal in the next couple of weeks.

CCBHC status report

- Advantage not present
- New Horizons Denise Wade McLeod announced an upcoming Feb 15th meeting with DBHDD on this topic. In advance of this, members met as a group to identify talking points/questions to ask, one being would the MTM Technical Assistance be available for a few or all CSBs, and a second can they get more of a hands-on approach with this assistance. Regarding outcome measures, members curious if these may be selected from a menu with ANSA and CANS being optional, in an effort to streamline the

intake process. Discussed cost information as well; New Horizons is expending a lot of time and energy trying to move forward with attestation. Also trying to obtain funding for NADD Certification.

- Pineland absent
- River Edge agreed with Ms. McLeod
- Re-Procurement of the MCOs nothing more known at this time. Association collaborating with Georgia
 Healthcare Policy Center to assist with drafting a position paper to be brought back to committee for
 feedback.
- Legislative -
- Omnibus bill 5 main parts packaged together, HB 1013. (Attempts also being made to legally define 'parity' through other bills introduced by other members, with a hearing scheduled.) Five sections of HB 1013:
 - Part I: Mental Health Parity Provisions
 - Part II: Workforce and System Development
 - Part III : Involuntary Commitment
 - Part IV : Mental Health Court and Corrections
 - Part V : Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health
- SB 403 Co-Responder act proposed:
 - Establishes the framework for implementation of the co-responder model, which combines the expertise of law enforcement and behavioral health specialists (the co-responder team) to respond to behavioral health emergencies.
 - Sets the groundwork for greater cooperation between CSBs and law enforcement.
 - Model and funding remain concerns.
 - Law enforcement participation is voluntary; can elect to participate. CSBs required to form a local co-responder coordinating body.
 - Multiple models for different regional needs could be a possibility. Other models
 would allow a co-responder EMT to provide first aid or a co-responder peer
 response model would allow for peers to follow up with individuals.
- More information regarding these proposed bills will accompany today's meeting packet.
- Opioid Settlement no additional volunteers to assist with document, counties have been briefed as to money available. CSBs should check with their respective counties to ascertain whether they opted into settlement or not.
- DD Operations Update 5% provider increase still moving forward but waiting on CMS approval. The outcome will be communicated out through special bulletin. Have requested retroactive to July 1 and hopeful to hear back soon.
- Meeting adjourned: 2:53 p.m.
- Additional items: None
- Next meeting: Thursday, March 3, 2022 @ 2pm.
- Preparation for March 3, 2022 meeting:

Recorder: Makini Corlette, LPC, CPCS

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Chairperson: Mark C Johnson, MD