

**BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

May 24, 2019

**Department of Mental Health
And Substance Abuse Services
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

Board members present:

Courtney Knoblock, MPA
Brian Bush, J.D.
Gary Cox, J.D.
Tricia Everest, J.D.
Hossein Moini
Rebecca Newman-German
Jeanne Russell, Ed.D.
Kristin Stacy, J.D.

Others present:

Commissioner, Terri White, ODMHSAS	Lola Edwards, Pinnacle Care
Durand Crosby, Ph.D., ODMHSAS	Crystal Walker, New Hope Counseling and Guidance
Carrie Slatton-Hodges, ODMHSAS	Eric Sanderson, Action Concepts, Inc.
Angie Patterson, ODMHSAS	Chris Perry, Family and Children's Services
Traylor Rains-Sims, ODMHSAS	Kayla Kelly, The Jetty Counseling Center
Hannah Hawkins, ODMHSAS	Dzaidi Daud, Pinnacle Care
Jeff Dismukes, ODMHSAS	Robert Tacket, HAV-TAP
Joey Mickey, ODMHSAS	Becky Tacket, HAV-TAP
Danielle Pruitt, Jordan's Crossing	Steve Norwood, Red Rock Behavioral Health Services
Gretchen Geis, ODMHSAS	Channa Rice, Southwest Youth and Family Services
Susan Donnelly, ODMHSAS	Kathryn McNutt, The Oklahoman
Sean Wallace, ODMHSAS	Lissa James, Grand Lake Mental Health Center
Michelle Lane, ODMHSAS	Allisson Petersen, INTEGRIS
Robin Moore, ODMHSAS	Kara Wilkins, Choices Counseling Center
Dewayne Moore, ODMHSAS	Jessyca Washington, ODMHSAS
Amanda Jett, ODMHSAS	Donna Duyne, Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center
Brenda Seay, KIBOIS/ The Oaks RSC	Lynn Kimble, NAMI, Greater Oklahoma City
Randy Tate, NorthCare	Veronica Lawrence, Jordan's Crossing
Jaylene Lander, Multi-County Counseling, Inc.	Miracle Metcalf, Turning Point
Thomas Baroi, Turning Point Center	
Joani Webster, Youth and Family Resource Center	
Teresa Capps, Children's Recovery Center, ODMHSAS	
William Abernathy, New Opportunities Waiting, Oklahoma City	
Kendra Lauderdale, New Opportunities	

Waiting, Oklahoma City

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Knoblock called the meeting to order and had the new Board members, Ms. Newman-German and Mr. Moini, introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 28, 2019, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Ms. Everest moved to approve the March 28, 2019, minutes. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROGRAM CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Traylor Rains-Sims, Senior Director, Policy & Provider Regulation, presented the programs recommended for approval listed on Attachment A as follows:

Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs

A. Permit for Temporary Operation

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Arcadia Trails INTEGRIS Center for Addiction Recovery, Edmond.

Ms. Everest moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced program. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

B. Certification with Distinction

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Counseling Solutions & Interventions, Inc., Oklahoma City; Oklahoma Mental Health Council, Inc. dba Red Rock Behavioral Health Services, Jordan's Crossing, Oklahoma City; and United Community Action Program, Inc. dba Community Alcoholism Services, Pawnee.

Ms. Everest moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized United Community Action Program, Inc. dba Community Alcoholism Services Pawnee for being 100 percent compliant on all standards and is eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

D. Two-Year Certification

Two-year certification was recommended for: Anchored Behavioral Health Consulting, L.L.C., Tulsa; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Okemah, McAlester; Jack Brown Treatment Center, Tahlequah; KiBois Community Action Foundation, Inc. dba The Oaks Rehabilitative Services Center, McAlester, Poteau, Stigler, Wilburton, Eufaula; and Southwest Youth and Family Services, Inc., Chickasha, Anadarko.

Mr. Bush moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

E. One-Year Certification

One-year certification was recommended for: Able Recovery 1, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Community Strong Counseling, L.L.C., Lawton; Hearts of Hope, L.L.C., Elk City; Jim Wallace & Associates, Inc. dba The Jetty Counseling Center, Wynnewood; Payne County Youth Services, Inc., Stillwater; and RiverBend Counseling Services, L.L.C., Durant.

Mr. Bush moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced program. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Opioid Substitution Treatment Programs

A. Certification with Special Distinction

Certification with Special distinction was recommended for: Oklahoma Treatment Services, L.L.C. dba Rightway Medical, Ponca City.

Mr. Bush moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Ms. Everest seconded the motion.

Ms. Knoblock asked how many opioid substitution treatment programs are in Oklahoma.

Mr. Rains-Sims stated that there are currently 13 facilities that have full certification and four that have permit for temporary operation.

Dr. Russell asked what it means to have special distinction.

Mr. Rains-Sims stated that those facilities initially received a score of 90-100 percent on their review before being brought up to 100 percent.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

B. Two-Year Certification

Two-year certification was recommended for: Able Recovery 1, L.L.C., Oklahoma City.

Mr. Bush moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Outpatient Mental Health Treatment Programs

A. Permit for Temporary Operation

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Cherry Tree Counseling, P.L.L.C., Poteau; HomeCare Advisors, L.L.C. dba Pinnacle Care, Tulsa; New Hope Counseling and Guidance Center, L.L.C., Poteau; and New Opportunities Waiting, L.L.C., Oklahoma City.

Ms. Everest moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

B. Certification with Distinction

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Action Concepts, Inc., Oklahoma City; Brighter Dimensions, L.L.C., Broken Arrow; Community Action Agency of Oklahoma and Canadian Counties dba Turning Point, El Reno; Heritage Therapeutic Services, L.L.C., Norman; Monarch, Inc., Muskogee, Warner; Multi-County Counseling, Inc., Ada, Lawton, Purcell, Wewoka; Professional Counseling and Consulting Services, P.C., McAlester; The Wise Way Counseling, Inc., Oklahoma City; and Youth & Family Resource Center, Inc., Shawnee.

Ms. Everest moved to approve certification with distinction for the above referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized Multi-County Counseling, Inc., Ada, Lawton, Purcell, and Wewoka for being 100 percent compliant on all standards and is eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

C. Two-Year Certification

Two-year certification was recommended for: Center for Psychological Development, Inc., Durant, Coalgate, Wilburton, McAlester, Atoka; Children's Therapeutic Strategies, P.L.L.C., Bartlesville; Choices Counseling Center, L.L.C., Oklahoma City, Yukon; Collaborative Therapy Services, Inc. dba Tulsa Sunshine Center, Broken Arrow; Community Care of Oklahoma Mental Health Services, L.L.C., Ardmore; Faith Dynamic Counseling, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Hearts of Hope, L.L.C., Elk City; Internal Connections, P.L.L.C., Lawton; Positive Prospects, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; River Valley Counseling Services, L.L.C., Poteau; Song Byrd Behavioral Health, Inc., Muskogee; Southeastern Oklahoma Family Services, Inc., Durant, Ada, Ardmore, Atoka, Checotah, Duncan, Madill, McAlester, Norman, Sulphur, Tishomingo; and Tri County Behavioral Health, L.L.C., Hugo.

Mr. Cox moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

D. One-Year Certification

One-year certification was recommended for: Purposeful Play Family Enrichment Center, L.L.C., Oklahoma City.

Mr. Bush moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced program. Ms. Everest seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Eating Disorder Treatment Programs

A. Certification with Distinction

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Living Hope Eating Disorder Treatment Center, P.L.L.C., Norman.

Ms. Everest moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced program. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Community-Based Structured Crisis Center Programs

A. Certification with Special Distinction

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Children's Recovery Center of Oklahoma, Norman; and Family & Children's Services, Inc., Tulsa.

Ms. Everest moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stacy seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized Family & Children’s Services, Inc., Tulsa for being 100 percent compliant on all standards and is eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

Programs of Assertive Community Treatment

A. Two-Year Certification

Two-year certification was recommended for: Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center, Lawton.

Ms. Everest moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Community Mental Health Center Programs

A. Certification with Special Distinction

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: North Oklahoma County Mental Health Center, Inc. dba Northcare, Oklahoma City.

Mr. Cox moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

B. Two-Year Certification

Two-year certification was recommended for: Grand Lake Mental Health Center, Inc., Nowata, Afton, Bartlesville, Claremore, Grove, Kansas (OK), Miami, Pryor, Vinita, Tulsa.

Ms. Everest moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Community Residential Mental Health Programs

A. Permit for Temporary Operation

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Homestead Residential Care, L.L.C., Vinita.

Mr. Moini moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced program. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

A. Certification with Distinction

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Copp’s Residential Care, Inc., Claremore; HAV-TAP, Inc. dba The Harbor, Oklahoma City; and Homestead Residential Care, L.L.C., Vinita.

Ms. Everest moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush	Yes	Mr. Moini	Yes
Mr. Cox	Yes	Ms. Newman-German	Yes
Ms. Everest	Yes	Dr. Russell	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes

Ms. Knoblock recognized Homestead Residential Care, L.L.C., Vinita for being 100 percent compliant on all standards and is eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

DISCUSSION REGARDING REPORT FROM COMMISSIONER

2019 Specialty Court Day at Capitol – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that this is a day at the Capitol where judges, district attorneys, defense attorneys, and treatment coordinators from all over the state come together to celebrate drug court, mental health court, DUI court, veterans court, and specialty court. She stated that for the last several years they have held court with a small graduation ceremony in the fourth floor rotunda where legislators can participate. She stated that the annual awards for drug courts and mental health courts are given out based on the courts’ outcomes, including their employment outcomes, increases in GEDs, graduation rate, and their reunification with the families. She stated that it’s designed this way so that after the celebration individuals will go and speak with their respective legislators about funding specialty court programs.

My Mind Matters Day at the Capitol – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that this event/rally is orchestrated by the Coalition of Advocates. This is a group of advocates that come together for behavioral health, mental health and substance abuse. She stated that they hold their ceremony at the Capitol in the fourth floor rotunda. One of the awards they give out each year is Legislator of the Year, along with different awards for the community. This year the Department was honored to receive an award. She explained that at the end of the ceremony she's asked to speak and gets everyone excited so that they can be heard throughout the building before being released to go and speak with their legislators.

5th Annual Faces of ReMerge Luncheon – Commissioner White stated that the ReMerge program is an Oklahoma County-based program that diverts women from the criminal justice system, typically pregnant, parenting moms with felonies who are at risk of being incarcerated. The program gives women an opportunity to work through an intensive substance abuse treatment and mental health program, along with other issues, including trauma, parenting opportunities and reunification. Commissioner White stated that Ms. Everest, Board Member, has been instrumental in organizing ReMerge in Oklahoma City just as Ms. Knoblock and others organized the Women in Recovery program in Tulsa. Commissioner White stated that the Department funds the treatment for the women in these two programs and other philanthropic organizations help with funding things the Department is unable to such as housing, transportation, etc.

2019 Children's Behavioral Health Conference – Connecting the Dots – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that one of the major roles for the Department is training. She explained that the Department has an incredible Human Resource Development (HRD) division that provides trainings year round, and twice a year the Department hosts two major events. The first is the Children's Behavioral Health Conference which was held in May at the Embassy Suites in Norman where she was the opening speaker before the keynote speaker. She explained that this year's panel was specifically there to discuss trauma within the different races and ethnicities and how that relates to our work.

The second major training is the Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Prevention Conference which is held in the fall. This conference focuses on all aspects of prevention and treatment for mental health and substance abuse.

Mr. Bush stated that the conferences are a great learning experience and helps one understand all that the Department does.

Tulsa Methamphetamine Plan Team Meeting – Commissioner White stated that Ms. Knoblock and the Zarrow Family Foundation are leading this discussion. She stated that the Department is working closely with the Foundation on a methamphetamine plan as it relates to Tulsa County. She explained that the state of Oklahoma has high rates of mental illness and addiction; however, over the last several years, even with the trends showing a decline, the state has reached a

crisis point of Oklahomans dying from opioid overdoses. At one point, Oklahoma had the second highest overdose rate in the U.S. Seven years ago, Tulsa County ranked number one for opioid overdoses per capita in the state and the 18th highest county in the U.S. Commissioner White explained that many individuals from the community came together to help provide Naloxone to law enforcement and working with the medical licensure board on prescribing guidelines and medication assisted treatment programs. These efforts have the state going in the right direction with the overdose death rates declining from 500 to 270. However, Commissioner White stated that methamphetamine is making a massive resurgence in Oklahoma and last year there were 307 individuals who died from a methamphetamine overdose. Although it was a topic in the forefront a decade ago, it's not a leading topic of discussion today.

Ms. Knoblock stated that they were shocked to hear from the law enforcement that the number one priority was meth. She stated that this is no longer a very visible epidemic with labs catching fire, children at risk, etc. This is a drug that is now being shipped from Mexico into Oklahoma City with Tulsa County being a primary hub. She stated that they have national consultants coming in and that the Department has been a phenomenal partner in providing data. Using that data and partnering with multiple state resources they hope this meth plan for the City of Tulsa will become a template that other communities can use and possibly become a state-wide plan.

Ms. Knoblock stated that meth addicts require a different type of intervention. They are not able to participate in the same type of sobering intervention that alcohol or opioid abuse can and that they are working on more creative ways to deal with the issue.

Commissioner White stated that the good news is that methamphetamine addiction is a treatable disease but you have to have additional expertise, additional time and access to treatment. She explained that with meth addiction can come meth induced psychosis, along with an increase in violence, similar to someone using PCP. Because of this, additional opportunities and recognition trainings for law enforcement are needed, which is all part of the Tulsa Methamphetamine Plan discussion.

Dr. Russell asked about the different type of treatment that is required for methamphetamine addiction treatment.

Ms. Knoblock stated that they have the framework in place but that it will need to be tweaked a bit. She explained that you can't take a meth addict who has been picked up by the police, and is experiencing psychosis, to the sobering center. Instead, they might take them to the quiet chair at the crisis intervention center. Protocols will need to be developed and given to law enforcement along with training to discern which is a true psychosis and what is a drug-induced psychosis.

She stated that all the resources are available in Oklahoma; it's just a matter of pulling them all together.

Commissioner White stated that from the prevention side, Jessica Hawkins, Senior Director of Prevention Services, has been instrumental in discussing the prevention piece and Carrie Slatton-Hodges, Deputy Commissioner of Treatment and Recovery, will be instrumental on the treatment side.

Deputy Commissioner Carrie Slatton-Hodges stated that oftentimes when a person comes into our system for methamphetamine addiction it's at an acute point where the person is suffering from extreme psychosis, has not slept in many days, and frequently they are coming in for a psychiatric emergency. The first step is trying to bring the psychosis down and make sure they can get some sleep before we can get them ready to move on a track of substance abuse treatment. She explained that there are several evidence based models for methamphetamine treatment. The Matrix model is one often trained on, combined with contingency management which also has good outcomes with keeping individuals in the methamphetamine addiction treatment. She stated that the main reason it looks so different is the acuity oftentimes when individuals first come in and then the extreme cravings once that acuity starts to go down. Making sure the individual can get through those high-end stages and continue on is key.

Dr. Russell asked if we already had individuals trained and ready to go.

Deputy Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that we do because, a few years ago, on the acute psychiatric side, they began seeing this issue, and we were able to begin training at that point.

Ms. Knoblock clarified that she is part of the private funding effort to fund work in this area and that she is not a subject matter expert. She stated that they are grateful to have the Department as subject matter experts who are willing to come to the table and help advise on best practices. She explained that before her foundation began listening to law enforcement, what caught the Zarrow Family Foundation's attention was the bigger health care issues, in that meth ravages individuals in terms of their physical health.

Mr. Bush stated that one of the things that has been eye opening with being on the Board is being able to attend the trainings and immerse one's self. He stated that this is just one of the many programs that the Department is working on with other entities to make a difference.

Jim Carroll, Director; Jacqueline Hackett, Deputy Director for Policy; and Kayla Tonnessen, Associate Director for Legislative Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP); Kayse M. Shrum, D.O., President, OSU Center for Health Sciences and Secretary of Science and Innovation; Johnny Stephens, Pharm. D. and Vice President, OSU Center for Health Sciences; and Jason Beaman, D.O.,

M.S., Assistant Clinical Professor, Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, OSU Center for Health Sciences; and Bryan Day, Executive Director, 12 & 12 Center for Addiction Treatment & Recovery – Commissioner White stated that Mr. Carroll is the lead White House Staff on the issue of National Drug Control Policy. She stated that he was here a few weeks ago and they reached out to her and asked if she would craft a day for them to go and see different opportunities. Based on their interest, they spent the day in Tulsa at 12 & 12 which is the Department's largest substance abuse provider in Tulsa, primarily specializing in residential treatment and medication assisted treatment. She explained that they spent most of the day with Dr. Shrum and Dr. Beaman of OSU, who is the provider of the community health center at 12 & 12, understanding how they are working on training and how the Department is working collaboratively with them to fund a residency program, including funding Project ECHO. Commissioner White explained that Project ECHO is one of the most innovative and most successful programs in having specialists train primary care physicians around identifying addiction and doing basic addiction treatment as well as identifying mental health needs.

The Oklahoma Hospital Association 100th Anniversary – Commissioner White stated that the Department has worked on many health initiatives with the Oklahoma Hospital Association (OHA) over the last several years, including working together around the tobacco tax and funding healthcare with an increased tobacco tax. She stated that the OHA is hosting four major events to celebrate 100 years and the second event was held over the weekend at the Oklahoma History Center. OHA recognized the initial 24 hospitals that came together 100 years ago to form the OHA. She was honored to accept awards, on behalf of the Department, for two of the original hospitals, Griffin Memorial Hospital in Norman, OK, at that time referred to as Central State Hospital, and what used to be Eastern State Hospital in Vinita, OK, now known as the Oklahoma Forensic Center.

K. Wade Vlosich, Director; Kerri Craft, Associate Director Patient Care Services; Jeff Bennett, Assistant Director; Dr. Patrick Mason, Chief Psychology; Dr. Judith Forshee, Chief Psychiatry; Michelle Johnston, Chief Social Work; Rebecca Anderson, Chief of Engineering; Toya Banks, Mental Health Social Worker; Lindsay Shaw, Mental Health Social Worker; Oklahoma City VA Health Care System; Mark Reynolds, Senior Director, Decision Support Services and Shawn McCarty, Property Manager, ODMHSAS – Commissioner White stated that the Department is working closely with the federal VA, specifically the Oklahoma City VA. She stated that Director Vlosich is passionate about making sure the mental health and substance abuse needs of veterans is addressed. She, Durand Crosby, Ph.D., Chief of Staff and Operations, Deputy Commissioner Slatton-Hodges and Mr. McCarty have been talking with them about potential partnerships, with the help of federal dollars, for new spaces or rehabbing spaces for providing additional treatment resources for mental health and substance abuse treatment for veterans. Commissioner White stated that Oklahoma has the highest percentage per capita of men and women who serve our country in the armed

forces. However, Oklahoma also has the highest suicide rate of young veterans in the U.S. for those service members between the age of 18 and 34. She stated that there are many places for our agencies to work together.

Dr. Russell asked if they are discussing opening up beds.

Commissioner White stated that everything is on the table right now from increased outpatient services, residential substance abuse treatment to crisis beds. She said they are trying to identify their greatest needs. We're bringing our data to the table to see where we can help step up and where there are gaps. They are looking at different locations including our old Central Office building on 13th Street.

Jerome Loughridge, Secretary of Health and Mental Health – Oklahoma County Crisis Intervention Center and Central Oklahoma Community Mental Health Center – (Facility Tours) – Commissioner White stated that she spent the day with Secretary Loughridge visiting the Department's various programs. They began the day as if he was entering a crisis center and they went through a series of programs about what it's like to enter an urgent care in a crisis center, to a community mental health center for outpatient services, looking at PACT programs, to what it would look like if you were a child in a Systems of Care program. She stated that they were able to meet families that the Department serves.

Budget – Commissioner White stated that the Legislative Session has ended. She stated that she is grateful for every step forward and at the same time she wishes we could take giant leaps each year. Commissioner White explained that there is an increase in funding for the Smart on Crime initiative. She stated that the original request was for \$112 million and this year the request was down to \$91 million because the Legislature has been investing more each year and this year they added an additional \$10 million in funding. Commissioner White stated that the Department received a small amount of money for suicide prevention. She explained that the Department has had a federal suicide prevention grant for years that the federal government did not renew going forward. She stated that much of the Department's prevention work was built on this grant and the Legislature thought that the Department's prevention work was so important that they wanted to continue that program; therefore, they provided funding for it, along with some funding for growth.

PRESENTATION

Improving Residential Substance Abuse Treatment in Oklahoma was presented by Carrie Slatton-Hodges, Deputy Commissioner, Treatment and Recovery Services:

Deputy Commissioner Carrie Slatton-Hodges gave a brief overview on how residential substance abuse treatment services were previously provided stating that individuals seeking residential treatment would call or walk into a provider (residential or outpatient) and request treatment. The assessment of the

level of need varied greatly. Each residential provider kept a list of individuals waiting for care, and they were supposed to let the ODMHSAS know how many they had on their waiting lists. As beds became available, they would call a client for admission into the bed. Unfortunately, no priority was given to pregnant or IV users (SA Block Grant Requirement). Along with that, providers had moved into fixed-length treatment programs that consumers had to follow instead of fitting the treatment program to the consumer.

With the implementation of the new statewide electronic wait list for residential treatment the numbers changed drastically:

	Jan-2014	Jan-2019	Change
Discharges	215	234	+19
Length of Stay	59 Days	46 Days	-13
Planned Discharge	59.2%	62.7%	+3.5%
Referred to Outpatient*	10%	64%	+54%

Along with this, Outpatient providers are now required to assess individuals for appropriate levels of treatment utilizing the same tool to determine if an individual meets the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) or residential patient placement criteria (PPC). If appropriate for residential treatment, the client is added to the statewide electronic wait list. Priority for admission is given to pregnant females and IV drug users (they are at the top of the wait list). Interim services must be provided for those on the wait list.

Because of this consumers with the highest needs are getting admitted first, more consumers are receiving residential treatment, planned discharge rates have not dropped even with the increase in patients and residential providers are referring more clients to outpatient after-care.

PRESENTATION

Veronica Lawrence gave a brief presentation on her life and how she came to Jordan’s Crossing. She spoke about her children and obstacles she’s had to overcome to her path of recovery and how she wakes up every day clean and happy with how she is.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bush moved to adjourn. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Bush Yes
Mr. Cox Yes
Ms. Everest Yes
Ms. Knoblock Yes

Mr. Moini Yes
Ms. Newman-German Yes
Dr. Russell Yes
Ms. Stacy Yes



Brian Bush, J.D.

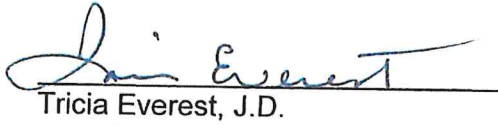


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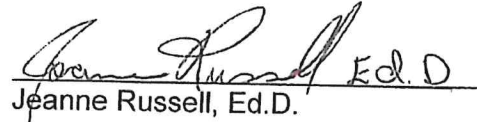
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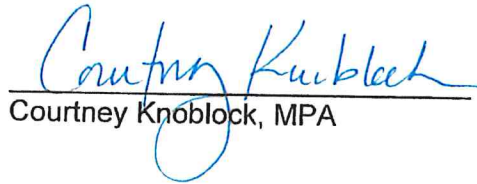
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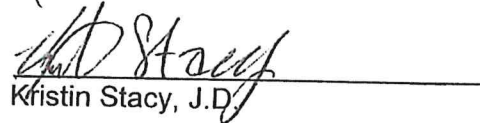
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