# Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Health Care for the Homeless (HCH) Co-Applicant Board July 11, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

# **Location of Meeting:**

The July meeting of the HCH Co-Applicant Board was held by Microsoft Teams/telephone due to the Coronavirus Pandemic affecting the State and Nation. As a result, all votes were conducted by roll call to ensure a clear understanding of the vote.

# **Present at Meeting:**

Name	Attendee Type	On Call
Edi Erb	Board Member – Chairperson	$\boxtimes$
Christa Bruning	Board Member – Secretary	$\boxtimes$
Sandra Grosvenor	Board Member	
Jen Post	Board Member	$\boxtimes$
Maxine Booker	Board Member	
Victoria Kelly	Board Member	$\boxtimes$
Lissette Roscoe	Board Member	
Carolyn Keough	Board Member	$\boxtimes$
Joe Pondolfino	Board Member	
Sgt. Eddie Hillmon	Board Member	$\boxtimes$
Avery Slyker	Board Member	$\boxtimes$
Kathy Neumann	Board Member – Alternate for Maxine B.	$\boxtimes$
Sandnes Boulanger	Board Member – Alternate for Carolyn K.	
Lt. Zachary Haisch	Board Member – Alternate for Sgt. Hillmon	
Carly Pannella	Board Member – Alternate for Victoria K.	
Abbey Collins	Board Member – Alternate for Christa B.	$\boxtimes$
Dominique Randall	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Melissa VanBruggen	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Rhonda O'Brien	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Dr. Patrick Agdamag	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Gerni Oster	Staff/Community Member	
Elisa DeGregorio	Staff/Community Member	
Lisa Carrillo	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Jodi Groth	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Clark Scott	Staff/Community Member	
Tim Burns	Staff/Community Member	
Krista McIlhaney-Issacs	Staff/Community Member	
Matthew DiFiore	Staff/Community Member	
MaryEllen Dennis, Ph.D	Staff/Community Member	
Joshua Barnett, Ph.D	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Wendy Katz	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Diana Chavez-Lopez	Staff/Community Member	$\boxtimes$
Priscilla Marzouka	Guest	

The regular meeting of the HCH Co-Applicant Board was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

### 1. Guest Presentation – HCH Conference Review, Baltimore, MD

**Dr. Joshua Barnett** shared an overview of sessions he attended including: medical respite care and lessons learned from COVID to utilize unconventional spaces; harm reduction in the primary care setting to manage alcohol use disorder and lessen chronic conditions such as liver disease; unique harm reduction respite in San Francisco to incrementally reduce amount of alcohol use; and adopting ED SUD treatment of Suboxone in primary care settings until patients are ready to engage in formal treatment.

**Wendy Katz** shared an overview of sessions she attended including making connections with patients; aggressive Xylazine wound care treatment; peer support and peer guides; Palliative Education and Care for the Homeless (PEACH) Team in Canada; point of care ultrasound as an up-and-coming practice for street medicine; nationwide challenges with bringing homeless back to a brick-and-mortar office for follow up appointments.

**Diana Chavez-Lopez** shared that USF presented their vaccine program model, which is similar to Pinellas County's VAP program. Efficient on the spot connection with clients. Pinellas was recognized for VAP success and is working on a manual for VAP to replicate our program.

Dr. Agdamag echoed the benefits of using point of care ultrasounds to detect things like foreign bodies, pneumonia, etc. and would love to explore this approach with the team.

# 2. Chairman's Report

a. **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest** 

None

b. Co-Applicant Board - New Members/Renewals/Resignations

None

c. <u>Unfinished Business/Follow-Up</u>

None

## 3. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes, June 13, 2023

# b. Medical Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, June 27 2023

**Motion/Vote** to approve consent agenda:

Member/Alternate	Motion	Second	Yay Vote	Nay Vote	Abstain	Absent
Edi Erb			$\boxtimes$			
Christa Bruning			$\boxtimes$			
Sandra Grosvenor						$\boxtimes$
Jen Post			$\boxtimes$			
Kathy Neumann			$\boxtimes$			
Victoria Kelly		$\boxtimes$				
Lissette Roscoe						$\boxtimes$

Carolyn Keough		$\boxtimes$		
Joe Pondolfino				$\boxtimes$
Sgt. Eddie Hillmon	$\boxtimes$			
Avery Slyker		$\boxtimes$		

The motion was unanimously approved.

### 4. Clinical

# a. **Quality Improvement Update**

- i. <u>Clinical Quality Measures:</u> Rhonda O'Brien presented the individual clinical quality measures provided in the Board packet. 21% overall goals being on target.
- ii. Patient Satisfaction Surveys: Dr. MaryEllen Dennis presented the patient satisfaction survey results. With 231 total responses, 98.7% are satisfied or very satisfied; however, only 10% of encounters has a survey response. We are ramping up efforts and looking at new strategies to help patients feel more comfortable completing a survey after receiving care. Melissa VanBruggen added that the switch from paper to tablet surveys may have contributed to the challenge. Jodi Groth reviewed last year's data and shared there were 1,084 responses for the year with approximately 500 by the end of June.

## b. Active Clients/Encounters Trend Reports

Rhonda O'Brien reviewed the year-to-date medical and dental client trend report provided in the Board packet for June 2023. Medical: 1,291 unduplicated patients with 2,832 encounters. Dental: 511 unduplicated patients with 1,785 encounters.

# 5. **Governance/Operations**

## a. Clinic Operations Updates

- i. <a href="MMU/Bayside/Street Medicine Calendars:">MMU/Bayside/Street Medicine Calendars:</a> The July calendar has some closures for holiday and the Bayside move to Mid-County. Started seeing patients this morning at Mid-County and everything went smoothly. There were some no-shows at Mid-County today, but it is too soon to know if it was related to transportation challenges. The MMU will now be at Safe Harbor on Mondays. Yesterday was very busy there! Earlier today, the MMU was taken to Fleet to diagnose the check engine light and will remain there overnight.
  - **ii.** <u>Staffing/Vacancies:</u> Currently recruiting for a coordinator for the street medicine team and a MMU nurse. Program Manager is still posted for recruitment. A new nurse practitioner is on staff to help with coverage for provider absences.
  - iii. <u>Street Medicine Initiative</u>: Dr. MaryEllen Dennis shared the long Street Medicine Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oqN4DK5-PeQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oqN4DK5-PeQ</a>

## b. Bayside Expansion/MMU Procurement Updates

Lisa Carrillo provided the update that the permit was finalized and approved on June 21, 2023! The Bayside Clinic closed for business at noon on Friday, July 7, 2023 to begin the move, with services reopening at Mid-County Department of Health on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 (today). Construction mobilization will begin next week.

Information materials have been produced for print and digital notifications. Please share with your clients and networks. Contact Pinellas County Human Services if you need additional materials.

Dr. MaryEllen Dennis shared the new MMU is still on target for delivery at the end of the calendar year.

## c. MMU Sites/Enhance Productivity

- i. <u>Past/Future Open House Events:</u> Dominique Randall shared the May Safe Harbor event was a success. The Salvation Army in South St. Pete is going through a remodel, which could include future telehealth opportunities.
- **ii.** <u>Telehealth Sites:</u> Four sites are up and running now. Waiting on MOU for Safe Harbor. To date, over 182 clients have been served with 225 encounters via telehealth.

### 6. **Fiscal**

# a. Financial Report

The financial report through June 30, 2023 has not been completed yet. An update will be provided at a later date.

## b. Notice of Awards

None

### c. New Funding Opportunities

No new funding opportunities. The application submission for the HRSA FY23 Capital Assistance for Hurricane Response and Recovery Efforts (CARE) funding opportunity was included in the Board packet for review.

#### 7. New Business

No new business to report.

Victoria Kelly shared the Pinellas Continuum of Care (CoC) is hosting Narcan training on July 27th from 10am - 2pm at St. Vincent Episcopal Church in St. Petersburg. For information, email VKelly@HLPinellas.org.

#### 8. Project Director Updates

Health Center Week preparations are underway with a focus on homeless population and stakeholder focus groups.

Local health care fraud now has the FBI's attention. Investigators from Miami reached out to Safe Harbor, Dr. MaryEllen Dennis & the navigators and they will be coming up to conduct in-person interviews.

Headway is being made with technology connections to BayCare to keep clinical coordination going.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, August 8, 2023** via Microsoft Teams.