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Delaware County Board of Supervisors Mental Health Committee Meeting May 15th, 2023

PRESENT: Joe Cetta, Wayne Marshfield, Eric Wilson, Betty Scott, Art Merrill, Debra Mierop
& Doug Elston

Excused:

GUEST: Carolyn Whiteside & Elizabeth Defalco

The meeting was called to order at 12:43p.m. by Chair Joe Cetta.

Minutes: The minutes from March 20th 2023, were reviewed and approved upon a motion from Wayne Marshfield and seconded by Art Merrill. Motion Carried

Old Business

Vacancies: we currently have 3 Staff Social Worker vacancies
Supportive Housing Case Manager
Mental Health Program Coordinator
Deputy Director
Will need permission to fill Sr. CASAC- working on paperwork.
CASAC position- working on paperwork

Census: Mental Health/Drug and Alcohol is currently seeing 691 clients.

Intakes: We are currently schedule new clients in a 1–2-week window

Clear Path for veterans: the 2023 contract has been signed and the money is being sent

Skate Board Signs: We still need signs, Joe will talk to Pete about getting the signs made and put up.

New Business

IRT: Clinicians will rotate for the days the IRT is operational. If a person is in need for treatment they will be set up right than to be seen at the clinic.

Fair: we will be having an informational booth set up at the Delaware County Fair.

Integrated License: we are working on the work flow of the it would work, than we will have to turn our plan into the state. The Electronic Health Record System will also be the next big hurdle.

Training: Thank you for approving the ART training for the clinicians. The training will be here onsite at the clinic May 19- May 21.

We are looking at a suicide Assessment training for later this year

Medical Staff: staff is trained in MAT (Medical Assisted Treatment) we need to offer same day MAT services. Labs are a priority to be able to do this. We may be able to provide medical physicals down the road.

Lack of Psychiatric Beds in the state is an issue. CPEP/ERs are releasing clients seen due to no beds available. Local psychiatrists feel they need to be hospitalized but there are no beds. This is due to the closures of Psychiatric Hospitals in recent years.

Binghamton University: we are in touch with them to help with recruiting new social workers

We currently have 3 prescribers in house, we are fortunate compared to other counties where they have no prescribers in house.

Adjournment for Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive session to discuss personnel issues by Art Merrill seconded by Betty Scott at 1:21pm

Return from Executive Session

Return from executive session at 1:35pm

Permission to Fill:

Sr. CASAC- Approved by the committee.

CASAC- Approved by the committee

Training: none at this time

Adjournment/Next meeting:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m. by Joe Cetta. The next meeting July 24th, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. at the Behavioral Health Facility.

Submitted by:

Carolyn Whiteside