

**LIFELINE CONNECTIONS**  
**CRISIS TRIAGE & STABILIZATION UNIT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

February 15, 2018

Center for Community Health

Second Floor, Mod B Conference Room

**Members Present:** Marc Muhr, Dave Kester, Randy Tangen, Jeffrey Hite, Jan Bothwell, Peggy McCarthy, Kay Roberson, & Chiara Caballero

**Staff Present:** Jared Sanford, Arianna Kee, Brandy Branch, Joe Foster, & Krysta Pinson

The meeting was called to order at 12:05pm

**Chair & Vice Chair Nominations & Elections:** Peggy McCarthy has volunteered to fill the Chair position, while Jan Bothwell has volunteered to take the vice chair position.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Program Opening Timeline:** The state awarded funds to go towards this program. The County is also assisting with the opening of the program. We have identified a location, but it will take some time to have the location ready for opening. The official opening of the site was projected as July 1<sup>st</sup>; however this has now been postponed. The site was a jail work release building. There will be buildout to separate it from the other buildings. There are no available bus routes in that area, which will create transportation challenges. Arianna Kee will be the Director of the new location and will provide leadership for the program. We will start to hire for more staff once we are closer to the opening date. The state is requiring a 24 hour nurse and MHP for the location. There will also be a 24 hour peer support and a part time prescriber for the location. Joe is currently working on confirming rates and codes for the new location.

**Program Design:** Entry point, the facility Arianna visited up North, is an average of 3-5 day stay with 24 hour nurses and MHPs. Arianna will look into where the peer support will be based on the care procedures. Kay noted that it would be beneficial to have the peer support walk through the services with the individual to provide assistance. For the stabilization center, there would be groups, individual appointments, aftercare resources, etc. The process for triage will still need to be decided. There would be 16 stabilization beds and 6 triage chairs. Dave wanted to know if the location could become licensed as a receiving location. Individuals will have multiple ways of being brought to the location, such as self-referred, family, police, ambulance, etc. Peggy noted we will want to look into signage for the location so individuals will know where it is. Peggy will be putting together a training plan for the peers. The state funding received is for operational costs, not toward capital improvements.

**OTHER DISCUSSION**

We will move forward with holding monthly meetings and then decrease the frequency as needed. The meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 12:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Krysta Pennington