

STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH
Behavioral Health Administration
Department of Health, State of Hawaii

Keoni Ana Building
April 9, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Members Present: **Brown, Patrick; Calcagno, Sheila; Crum, Louise; Durant, Mike; Foard, Susan; Harris, JT; Holschuh, Christopher; Kaneaiakala, Alva; King, Susan; Mansfield, Haaheo; Simms, Sandra; Wilcox, APRN., Noelani.**

Members Absent:

Members Excused: **Daraban, Charlene; Koyanagi, Chad, M.D; Lorenzo, Katrina; Minami, Theresa; Shiraki, Ph.D., Steve; Vorsino, Psy.D., Marie.**

Guests Present: **Brandt, Ken**

Staff Present: **Clarke, Judith; Freitas, Troy; Hiraga-Nuccio, Madeleine; Nazareno, Jocelyn; Pak, Sandra; Tom, Trina; Wise, Tracey.**

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1. Call To Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quorum was established and Chair Mike Durant called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. • Chair Durant announced that the following members have been confirmed by the Senate for appointments, and in some cases, reappointments to the State Council on Mental Health (SCMH). Members are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrick Brown, Oahu Service Area Board representative • Sheila Calcagno, Kauai Service Area Board representative • Louise Crum, Judiciary • JT Harris, Department of Human Services, MedQUEST • Katrina Lorenzo, Youth representative • Steve Shiraki, Ph.D., Department of Education and Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS) • Marie Vorsino, Psy.D., Mental Health • Noelani Wilcox, Parent • Ms. Susan King is the new Maui Service Area Board representative on the Council. 		M. Durant, Chair	

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2. Review of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes for the February 12, 2013 meeting were approved as written. 	<p><u>Action:</u> Ms. Mansfield motioned to approve the minutes. Ms. Simms seconded. All members voted in favor.</p>		
3. Community Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No community input. 			
4. Island Report – Service Area Boards	<p><u>Hawaii</u> Mr. Holschuh reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both the East and West Hawaii Community Mental Health Centers (CMHC) report a shortage of State vehicles. Five (5) cars have been removed from the fleet due to safety reasons, and replacement of these vehicles may not occur due to a lack of funding. The phones at the East Hawaii CMHC need to be updated due to the age of the system. Two (2) hospital positions from East Hawaii CMHC have been abolished since Hilo Medical Center’s announcement regarding privatization. These positions provided direct care to individuals from the CMHC and forensic patients in in-patient settings. Services will continue to be provided in West Hawaii. The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division’s (CAMHD) vacant positions are being evaluated for future extensions. These positions include two (2) care coordinator positions in the East Hawaii Family Guidance Center. Mental Health Awareness Day is scheduled for May 9, 2013. Activities are to be determined. In past years, CAMHD used Block Grant funds to support community outreach activities. Due to sequester of these funds, funds may not be available this year. The West Hawaii CMHC is evaluating the transit bus routes service because the current routes do not meet the needs of consumers and there are safety concerns. The Hawaii Service Area Board (HSAB) is concerned about the number of homeless workers providing outreach services in Hawaii County due to the wide geographic area. Members plan to find out the total number of workers providing these services. Dr. Jamal Wasan gave a brief overview about substance abuse programs in Hawaii County. 	For information only.		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Tracey Wise, HSAB administrator, read a letter from the Joint Commission on Accreditation on Health Care Organizations (non-profit organization that sets standards by which medical facilities operate). • Ms. Wise noted that most substance abuse programs in Hawaii County are not Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or Council on Accreditation (COA) accredited. For example, there are only two (2) organizations that hold CARF accreditation – CARE Hawaii and Ku Aloha Ola Mau (formerly known as Drug Addictions Services of Hawaii). CARE Hawaii provides case management and substance abuse services, while Ku Aloha Ola Mau is an opiate program. • The HSAB recommended that agencies not accredited through CARF or COA should begin the accreditation process with the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division (ADAD). • Mr. Holschuh asked for the Council’s help in bringing the problem of non-accredited programs to ADAD’s attention since there is no representative from ADAD in Hawaii County. <p><u>Council Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council members discussed the reasons for many agencies not being accredited. Some of the reasons identified were financial burdens because most agencies are small. • Mr. Brown suggested that agencies that have affiliates on other islands may approach this by getting accredited based on their accumulative size. This he opined would make it more affordable. • Chair Durant encouraged the HSAB to contact ADAD directly about their concerns. He noted that if this area of concern affects other counties, then the Council would be involved and request action. However, until that is established, the HSAB should contact ADAD on Oahu. <p><u>Maui</u> Ms. Susan King reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new Branch Director for Mental Health America, Maui Office, is Mr. Robert Collesano. She stated that the director is very active and wants to be more involved in the community. • The Maui Service Area Board (MSAB) discussed the lack of utilization 	<p>For information only.</p>		

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	<p>of the Hawaii Certified Peer Specialists (HCPS) in Maui County (includes Molokai and Lanai). Of the 14 trained individuals, only two (2) are currently working.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion centered on collaborating with Mental Health America, who would act as a clearing house – when consumers called for assistance, the HCPS would be referred to provide services. The board plans to continue discussions at the June meeting. • Ms. Jenny Bissell from the Suicide Prevention Task Force gave an update on the ACCESS Line. • The board agreed that with the reinstatement of the Warm Line more individuals would receive immediate services, while the ACCESS Line workers would focus on crisis service calls. • The MSAB discussed the recent tragedies on Molokai. They noted that the situation on Molokai is a delicate situation where some individuals don't want to get mental health services due to stigma, but on the other hand, drug usage and mental health issues are increasing on Molokai. The board will continue to monitor the situation. • The Community Alliance for Mental Health and United Self Help are sponsoring a Consumer Conference on Maui for May 21, 2013. <p>Oahu Service Area Board – no report.</p> <p>Kauai Service Area Board – no report.</p>			
<p>5. Permitted Interaction Groups (PI Groups) Report.</p>	<p>Social Services & Health Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates. <p>Public Education Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jennifer Barrett was invited to present a proposal on building and developing a Council website. <p>Homeless & Housing Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Kaneaiakala and Mr. Holschuh discussed the homeless situation on all islands and the eviction of consumers from public housing. • They discussed the options that consumers have when evicted from housing and noted that the consumers' support teams including the psychiatrists, should be more involved to prevent evictions. 	<p>For information only.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> AMHD staff will provide the Homeless and Housing PI group with the data they requested.</p>	<p>AMHD Planner</p>	<p>Prior to 5/14/13</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Homeless and Housing team requested data on the number of consumers evicted, at risk for eviction, and homeless. <p><u>Council Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Durant commented that recently the Mayor of Honolulu announced plans for the Housing First Program, which seeks to get the homeless into housing without pre-conditions. Mr. Durant also noted that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) policy, of once an individual is evicted they have no recourse of returning to public housing, is very difficult to navigate. He stated that the eviction process is often slow and tedious. • Ms. Mansfield commented that her understanding of the HPHA policy is that it is federally mandated. She questioned if this also applies to people living with mental illness in Hawaii. Ms. Mansfield was assured that the policy affects all individuals across the board irrespective of a person's disability. • Ms. Wilcox commented that in the past when there were housing concerns, the AMHD Housing Director would meet with the Council to discuss concerns and also share data on evictions, etc. • Ms. Simms stated that the Council may consider working on this issue as it relates to evictions of individuals living with mental illness from public housing. • When asked about the status of the AMHD Housing Director, Ms. Clarke stated that the vacancy will be filled shortly. • Ms. Clarke also reported that the current HPHA Executive Director has been invited to Council meetings in order to better assign staff to fill the vacant housing position on the Council. <p><u>Judiciary Update:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group reported on the progress of SB310: Relating to Mental Health (Assisted Community Treatment Plan). • Chair for the group reported that the bill has passed all committees and is now being discussed in the joint House and Senate Committee. • Several amendments have been made to the bill; however, the date of implementation has not been decided. 			

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6. Block Grant Planning Overview	<p>Mr. Durant stated that the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) site visit has been scheduled for September, and members of the team will be attending the Council meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Clarke reported that SAMHSA is encouraging all planning councils to be more involved with the development of the Block Grant Application. She referred to the Block Grant Application handout (in members' packets) and requested that each PI Group review section on the plan descriptions and decide which area they would like to write a paragraph or two on. • Ms. Clarke emphasized that technical assistance or presentations from resource individuals could be made available to assist the groups in this endeavor. • Chair Durant requested that the Chair of each PI Group notify him on their selection so that there will be no duplication. • Mr. Brown stated that he is more interested in being involved in the development and planning efforts of the AMHD Strategic Plan. 	<p>For information only.</p> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PI groups to notify Chair Durant on their selection. • AMHD Planner invited Mr. Brown to work with the Planning team. 	PI Groups	Prior to 5/14/13
7. Statewide Community Survey Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation was deferred for the May meeting. 			
8. Presentation on Proposed State Council Website/Brochure	<p>Council members discussed the Council's Brochure, which was approved several years ago by a previous Council group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was determined that the brochure should be used as an external marketing tool rather than for internal purposes. • Suggestions were to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • add the Council's mission and vision statements; • add a membership description and the role of membership; • add the membership list and the positions individuals represent; • add information about the PI Groups; • add information about how to be apply for membership; • add the link to the planned Council website; and, • list the Council officers' names. • Ms. Jennifer Barrett presented her proposal for the planned Council website. She explained that the website would be powered by Wordpress, which is a content management system and is widely used, user friendly, and hosted on Wordpress.com. • After responding to specific questions about putting links to other 	For information only.		

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	<p>programs on the site, Ms. Barrett promised to follow-up with the PI Group on a few questions that would take time to research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Mansfield motioned that the Public Education PI Group to meet with Ms. Barrett to discuss and follow-up on the questions several Council members posed. Ms. Simms and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed – all members voted in favor. 	<p><u>Action:</u> The Public Education PI group will meet with Ms. Barrett and then report their findings at the next Council meeting.</p>	Public Education PI Group	5/14/13
9. Behavioral Health Administrator’s Response to SCMH memo	Tabled until next meeting.			
10. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Health America’s 8th Annual Aloha Awards will be May 15, 2013 at the Ala Moana Hotel. Chair Durant and his wife will receive the Family award and Susan King will receive the award for Adult Consumer. Anyone who is on the HUD list and hasn’t received a postcard from HUD will need to sign up again; otherwise, they will be taken off the list. Deadline to sign up is April 25, 2013. 			
11. Agenda Items for Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 			
12. Adjournment	The State Council on Mental Health meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.			
Mail Outs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCMH April 9, 2013 Agenda and draft SCMH February 12, 2013 minutes SCMH Attendance Log State Council Brochure Island Connect Consulting Proposal SAMHSA PowerPoint slides on Block Grant Program Goals and Strategic Initiatives FY2014-2015 Block Grant Application: Behavioral Health Assessment and Plan Questions Community Alliance for Mental Health Flyer: 4th Annual Consumer Conference Oahu Service Area Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, February 25, 2013, Agenda and Minutes Maui Service Area Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, March 4, 2013, Agenda and Minutes Hawaii Service Area Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, March 18, 2013, Agenda and Minutes HACDACS March 28th Agenda and February 28th Minutes. 			