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11/17/2023

Mental Health Block Grant Planning Council Minutes

****FINAL****

Present Members: Marla Simpson (Chair) Dan Towle (he/him) Cinn Smith Laurie Emerson (NAMI) Laurie Mulhern Daniel Blankenship (VHSA)

Vermont Care Partners/DAs/SSAs: Dillon Burns Julie Tessler Michael Hartman

DMH: Eva Dayon (they/them) Steve DeVoe (he/him) Trish Singer (she/her) Nicole DiStasio (they/she) Anne Rich Joanne Crawford Karen Barber Laura Flint Carolyn McBain Tom Coleman (DMH Contractor)

State of Vermont: Heather Bouchey (AOE) Danielle Bragg (DVHA) Diane Dalmasse (DAIL) Victoria Hudson (DFR) Annie Ramniceanu (DOC) Emily Trutor (she/her; VDH DSUP) Beth Sausville

Public: David Silverberg

Agenda

- 1:00 Introductions
- 1:10 Review October 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 1:15 MHBG and Planning Council Updates
- 1:25 Public Comment
- 1:30 Adjourn

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Agenda Item	Facilitator/Timekeeper: Steve DeVoe; Minutes: Joanne Crawford
Introductions	Brief member introductions
Review October 2023 Meeting Minutes	A motion was made by Dan Towle to approve the minutes and Victoria Hudson seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.
MHBG and Planning Council Updates	<p>The FFY 2024-2025 application revisions were submitted. Awaiting final approval from SAMHSA.</p> <p>Discussion about making MHBG Planning Council work more relevant to its members, which may involve more subcommittee work.</p> <p>Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) Program update for First Episode Psychosis/Early Serious Mental Illness (FEP/ESMI; 10% Set Asides for each MHBG award): DMH continues to move forward with planning for CSC program implementation. This implementation involves 3 phases:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community and stakeholder engagement, including soliciting input and providing education about CSCs 2. Research and evaluation: conducting retrospective analyses on incidence of First Episode Psychosis in Vermont 3. CSC program implementation, which will initially involve planning and development
Public Comment	David Silverberg commented that he is excited about the CSC gaining attention in Vermont and being implemented as a program in the near future.
Adjourn	Cinn Smith made a motion to adjourn, and Laurie Mulhern seconded. Vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.