MEMORANDUM

TO: AZ BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

FROM: ANNE ROCK- OFFICE OF INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY AFFAIRS

DATE: APRIL 14, 2011

RE: NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Enclosed are the minutes of March 25, 2011, and the agenda for our next meeting, which is scheduled for:

April 20, 2011
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
CPSA-Plaza Arboleda
Manzanita Room
2502 North Dodge Boulevard
Tucson, AZ
Telephone: 520-325-4268

Directions to CPSA: From Interstate 10, exit at Grant Road and head east to Dodge Boulevard (4.7 miles). Turn left (or north) on Dodge Boulevard. CPSA is located about 2 blocks north of Grant on the east side of Dodge.

Neal Cash, CPSA's Chief Executive Officer, will be meeting with the Council. We will also have guest speakers to present on the Pima County/AHCCCS jail project.

Telemedicine is available for this meeting at ADHS/DBHS, 150 North 18th Avenue, Conference Room 215B.

The following Committees will meet this month:

- Children: April 19, 2011, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Bob Gill, CEO of Sonora is invited to meet with the Committee.
- Advocacy & Legislation: April 19th, 2011, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Colby Bower, ADHS Legislative Liaison, is invited to meet with the Committee.
- Planning & Evaluation: April 19th, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Heather Ellis will provide the State Planner report.
- Community Advisory: April 19th, at HOPE, Inc, 1200 North Country Club Road, Tucson, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Executive: April 20th, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., CPSA, Plaza Arboleda.

Please email me at rocka@azdhs.gov, by telephone, 602-542-1161 or 602-663-7234 if you will be attending by telemedicine, or will not be attending.

Thank you very much.

"...to advise, review, monitor, and evaluate all aspects of the development of the State Plan"
(Public Laws 99-660, 100-639, and 102-321)
I. Call to Order       Vicki Johnson, Chair

II. Approval of March 25, 2011 Minutes    Chair

III. CPSA Guest Speaker     Neal Cash, CEO

IV. Guest Speakers: Pima County Jail/AHCCCS Project    Pat Benchik
                                  Elaine Gray
                                  Kate Lawson

V. ADHS/DBHS Report   Bob Sorce

VI. Arizona State Hospital Report    Ann Froio

VII. Committee Reports
A. Executive    Vicki Johnson
B. Advocacy & Legislation    Steve Carter
C. Children    Sue Gilbertson
D. Community Advisory    Gita Enders
E. Planning & Evaluation    Mark Ewy

VIII. State Agency Updates
A. ADC    Dr. Kimberly Linder
B. ADE    Candice Trainor
C. ADOH    Karia Basta
D. AHCCCS    Kristin Frounfelker
E. DES/DCYF    Mark Ewy
F. DES/RSA    Letitia Labrecque

IX. T/RBHA Updates    Chair

X. Announcements    Chair

XI. Next Meeting/Agenda    Chair

XII. Call to the Public    Chair

XIII. Adjournment    Chair

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I. Call to Order & Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made.

II. Approval of February 16, 2011 Minutes

The minutes were approved with two corrections: Dan Haley is a member, and not a guest. Agenda item VIII: Joe Mucenski requested that his statement be revised as follows: Joe objected to the Chair's ruling that he was out of order when he attempted to postpone the continuing members' election to allow members who couldn't vote to do so.

Vicki Johnson announced that she has instituted a new rule that the Council members are limited to four questions during the meeting.

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III. Presentation: Mohave Mental Health Clinic

Dawn Abbott, Chief Executive Officer of Mohave Mental Health Clinic, welcomed the Council to Kingman.

Dawn distributed the clinic brochure and provided the clinic's history. Mohave Mental Health Clinic (MMHC) has been in business for the past thirty years, and serves a diverse population and rural areas. The clinic originally started out serving only the developmentally delayed population, but later expanded to serve all populations. The original vision of the organization was that of a community mental health center that served all people walking in the door. The vision has changed over the years to reflect the changes in the behavioral health system and funding streams, which she thought was unfortunate.

MMHC's primary contract is with NARBHA, and they provide the full continuum of services to children and adults, in accordance with the Covered Services Guide. Programs include two group homes and an inpatient psychiatric unit, outpatient services here in Kingman, Bullhead City and Lake Havasu City. The Bullhead City clinic recently added a clinic that serves children only. The Kingman clinic also has an inpatient unit with 16 beds, and two beds set aside for children. If more beds are needed, MMHC will place the child in Flagstaff or Phoenix.

MMHC is active in the community; such as partnering with the local meth coalition, local law enforcement, and staff also meet with DARE regarding crisis training. Formal CIT training is provided by NARBHA.

MMHC also works with peer and family run organizations, such as NAZCARE, Re-AZ, and MIKID. NAZCARE operates a drop in center and peers are referred there.

Vicki said that the Council has some priorities that they focus on, and increasing services for the American Indian and older adult populations are the current focus. Dawn responded that the clinic has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hualapai tribe and the Fort Mohave tribe. There are not very many tribal members on the clinic rolls, as they generally receive their services from their tribe. Other reasons for low numbers may be the distance the tribal member has to travel to receive services from MMHC.

MMHC has four dedicated staff to serve transitional age youth, and this was done via a contract with NARBHA, who had let a RFI to their Responsible Agencies. MMHC was awarded funding to provide these specialized services.

MMHC also employs peers; currently there are five in Kingman; two in Bullhead City, and one in Lake Havasu City. These are all part time positions, but there is the possibility of one position going full time; their responsibilities will be working in the inpatient program and coordinating the transition from the inpatient setting to the community.
IV. **ADHS/DBHS Report**

Bob Sorce, representing Dr. Laura Nelson, reported on several issues DBHS is working on.

DBHS, in partnership with AHCCCS, applied for a planning grant from CMS; this is part of the Affordable Health Care Act, Section 2703. The funding is to be used for planning to create "health homes" for persons with serious mental illness. The health homes will provide integrated physical and behavioral health care. One benefit of the grant is the match ratio: the federal government will fund 90%, and the State will provide its match of 10%, which is very generous.

The second issue is the budget, of which there is none at this time. The Governor modified her proposal, which included 300,000 people losing their AHCCCS eligibility; this number was changed to 180,000 individuals, as the Governor found ways to minimize the cuts. The Senate submitted their budget the previous week. Negotiations are underway at the capitol.

DBHS is working to minimize the number of adults with serious mental illness who fall into this category, by screening them for eligibility under another category called SSI-MAO (medical assistance only). DBHS believes that the majority of individuals will be eligible. There is discussion about a freeze on enrollment for childless adults, and more will be known in the coming weeks.

Regarding the JK lawsuit, the plaintiffs filed a dispute resolution motion with the court in November 2010. The judge had ordered mediation, but not much was resolved. According to the terms of the agreement, it expired on February 1st. The plaintiffs did not file anything with the court, so the DBHS position is that the lawsuit has ended, and both parties have fulfilled their obligations.

V. **Arizona State Hospital Report**

Bob Sorce reported that John Cooper has resigned and his last day is today. Ann Froio will be the interim CEO until a replacement is found.

VI. **Council Vote for Vice Chair**

The Council members voted by paper in person and by verbal vote for Janet Fuhriman, who attended via telemedicine. The result of the election was that James Russo was elected as the new Vice Chair. It was unanimous.

VII. **Committee Reports**

A. **Executive:** Vicki reported on the results of the meeting surveys for January and February. The scores were mostly 4s and 5s, with some 3s as well. The comments reflected the difficulty of the February meeting due to disagreements.
Other comments included uneven participation of some of the Council members in the meetings, and they felt it was because they aren't given the opportunity to speak, as one to two people at times dominate the discussion. Vicki explained that this was the reason for the new four question rule. There were also questions about Roberts Rules of Order and the By-Laws. Due to these issues, the Executive Committee motioned to establish an ad-hoc Rules Committee, and the motion was brought to the Council today for the vote. There was discussion, and the vote was counted. The motion passed with one nay. The members of this new Committee are Mark Ewy, Sue Gilbertson, and Dan Haley.

Vicki distributed the list of new Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs, and the new member at large, who replaced Dr. Dan Wynkoop. They are:

- Planning & Evaluation: Mark Ewy-Chair; Janet Fuhriman-new Vice Chair
- Advocacy & Legislation: Steve Carter-Chair; Phyllis Grant-new Vice Chair
- Children: Chair and Vice Chair remain the same: Sue Gilbertson and Julia Engram
- Community Advisory: Gita Enders-new Chair; Dan Haley-new Vice Chair
- New Member At Large: John Baird, replacing Dan Wynkoop.

Vicki also reported the Committee worked on developing a job description for the incoming Council staff person, who will replace Anne after the June meeting.

B. Advocacy & Legislation: Phyllis Grant reported that Colby Bower, the ADHS Legislative Liaison, met via telemedicine yesterday to give an update on the budget and legislation. The Committee also reviewed the Maricopa Consumers, Advocates and Providers (MCAP) legislative document.

C. Children: Sue Gilbertson reported that the Committee met with staff from Banner Behavioral Health Hospital, in order to get more information and continue their work on emergency room waits for children who are waiting for placement.

E. Community Advisory: Vicki reported that the Committee did not meet yesterday but will resume in April. The meeting will be held at HOPE, Inc., in Tucson.

F. Planning & Evaluation: Mark Ewy reported that the Committee worked on what information, issues, etc., that they would like to see in the Planning Council letter that accompanies the Block Grant application.

VIII. State Agency Updates

A. ADC: There was no report.

B. ADE: Candice Trainor reported that ADE is currently addressing the concern that children's placements into residential treatment centers are being initiated by the IEP team rather than the state placing agency. School districts are reporting that when a student is not Title XIX, the RBHA and the placing agency have a difficult time determining who is responsible for paying for what services.
ADE hired a Voucher Specialist who is responsible for tracking the residential treatment centers, is working to establish positive relationships with the RBHAs.

C. ADOH: There was no report.

D. AHCCCS: Kristin Frounfelker reported that the CMS planning grant will provide some funding for AHCCCS to develop health homes. There is much criteria regarding how a health home is developed. Services that will be provided are care coordination; case management; peer support, and working with families, and it would be comprehensive care management for persons with serious mental illness. One stipulation of the grant is that the program must be sustainable once the funding ends, which will be only eight quarters.

AHCCCS is working with St. Luke's Health Initiative to gather feedback around the state for this grant. Kristin urged the Council to visit the AHCCCS website, as there is much information about health care reform.

Kristin also requested that Council members email her questions before the meeting, as there is much happening with Medicaid. Kristin's email address is Kristen.Frounfelker@azahcccs.gov.

E. DES/DCYF: Mark Ewy reported that Healthy Families is celebrating its 20th anniversary. Arizona was recently re-accredited for their Healthy Families program, and was the first state to go through the accreditation process and be successful the first time.

Unique Needs training (unique behavioral health needs of children, youth and adolescents who are in the child welfare system) is a required training for all RBHAs, and is conducted by DBHS and CPS staff. The curriculum is being revamped.

New DES employees are required to take a six week core training; the mental health piece is a 1/2 day. DES plans to add new components to the mental health core: levels of care; the nine adult principles of care, the children's 12 principles of care, and covered services.

F. DES/RSA: There was no report.

IX. T/RBHA Updates

NARBHA: Gita Enders reported that although it is not official, she will become the new NARBHA representative to the Council. NAMI is starting a subchapter at Northern Arizona University.

CPSA: Phyllis Grant reported that the CPSA Office of Individual and Family Affairs (OIFA) recently held an open house, and there was a large turnout. Phyllis also reported that there is a lot of community involvement in planning this year's annual Family Forum conference in May.
X. **Announcements**

James Russo announced that Phoenix Visions of Hope has logged 6,500 calls to the warm line this month. The normal number of calls is about 4,000.

XI. **Next Meeting/Agenda for Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2011, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., CPSA Plaza Arboleda, Manzanita Room, 2502 North Dodge Boulevard, Tucson. Agenda items include a report from Neal Cash, Chief Executive Officer of CPSA, and a presentation from regarding the Pima County/AHCCCS jail project.

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- **Community Advisory:** 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at HOPE, Inc., 1200 North Country Club Drive.

XIII. **Call to the Public**

There was no response.

XIV. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.