



## MENTAL HEALTH LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

February 12, 2018

12:00 – 1:00 PM

Gallatin County Courthouse Community Room

### AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public Comment 12:05
3. Approval of Minutes: January 8, 2018
4. Short Announcements (new topics, 1-2 minutes)
5. Old Business 12:10
  - a. Short updates on previous agenda items
  - b. Resource Guide Distribution
  - c. Preparation for Director Hogan's visit 12:15
6. New Business 12:45
  - a. Mental Health First Aid Training (Tom Peluso, Chris Coburn, Betsy Asserson)
7. Questions on Committee Minutes 12:55
  - a. Criminal Justice (Andrea Lower, Breanna Hume) – Minutes below
  - b. Co-Occurring Disorders (Breanna Hume)
  - c. Children and Family (Betty Stroock)
  - d. Education and Awareness (Lori Reynolds)
  - e. Legislative (Tom Peluso, Andrea Lower)
  - f. Minigrants (Nancy Filbin, Lori Reynolds)

**Next Meeting: March 12, 2018**

## **Announcements**

LAC checking account balance for February 1: \$ 5523.78

## **Calendar**

February 22: Director Hogan of DPHHS here, noon.

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## **By-laws**

**Section 1. Purpose.** The purpose of the MHLAC is to assist, in a manner it determines to be most productive, in strengthening public mental health services in the Gallatin County and to provide input and recommendations to MHOAC, DPHHS and the Service Area Authority (SAA) serving the community.

**Section 2. Objectives.** Specific objectives include some or all of the following related to public mental health services:

- a) Examine gaps in child and adult services.
- b) Identify potential additions to services within the community.
- c) Analyze and discuss local problems with local service providers, advocacy groups, public officials and the general public.
- d) Facilitate accurate and timely communications between the local community and MHOAC, DPHHS and the regional SAA.
- e) Assess the effectiveness of local mental health services and suggest ways of making services more effective.
- f) Serve as a catalyst and facilitator in solving local mental health service problems.
- g) Organize and coordinate needed services in the community.
- h) Educate the local community on mental health issues.

## MH & CJ Committee Minutes

01/08/18 1300-1400

Attending: Carol, Edward, Chelsey, Rebecca, Andrea, Katelyn, Breanna

Continued discussion on Info cards:

- Chelsey contacted various MHPs (mental health professionals, usually CRTs) and CIT officers to see what programs are like in their communities and found that no programs have reached the implementation stage
  - Other communities were looking at only doing it for MH people and were worried about stigma
- We discussed needing to bring a strategic plan to the LAC formally to start to conversation regarding funding to implement and to get feedback
- Ideas were talked about again of what to include on the card
  - Release for providers to share info
    - Andrea is going to talk to the County Attorney to see what his thoughts are on the legality of this
  - Check boxes for MH concerns, medical concerns, and on medications instead of listing everything, that way officers/providers know that there may be those general concerns and can ask more questions
  - We asked what other info is needed
  - Could we design it more like an emergency card? List current providers, clinicians, and an emergency contact?

We decided we need to meet a second time this month. Thursdays seem to work best.