



SALISH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD
MEETING

Providing Behavioral Health Services in
Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap Counties

DATE: Friday, December 10, 2021

TIME: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

LOCATION: **VIRTUAL ONLY:** We will use the ZOOM virtual platform.

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A G E N D A

Salish Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization – Executive Board

1. Call To Order
2. Announcements/Introductions
3. Opportunity to Address the Board on Agenda Topics (limited to 3 minutes each)
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Joint SBH-ASO Executive Board and Advisory Board Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2021 (Attachment 5)
6. Action Items
 - a. SBH-ASO Advisory Board Member Appointments
 - b. Approval of Calendar Year 2022 Budget (Attachments 6.b.1, 6.b.2, and 6.b.3)
7. Informational Items
 - a. Recovery Navigator Program Update
 - b. HB1310 Update
 - c. HB1477 (9-8-8 BILL): CRIS Committee Update
 - d. SBH-ASO Advisory Board Update
 - e. 2022 SBH-ASO Executive Board Meetings
8. Opportunity for Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes each)
9. Adjournment

ACRONYMS

ACH	Accountable Community of Health
ASAM	Criteria used to determine substance use disorder treatment
BAART	A BayMark health services company, opioid treatment company
BH-ASO	Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization
CAP	Corrective Action Plan
CHPW	Community Health Plan of Washington
CMS	Center for Medicaid & Medicare Services (federal)
COVID-19	Coronavirus Disease 2019
CPC	Certified Peer Counselor
CRIS	Crisis Response Improvement Strategy
DBHR	Division of Behavioral Health & Recovery
DCFS	Division of Child & Family Services
DCR	Designated Crisis Responder
DDA	Developmental Disabilities Administration
DSHS	Department of Social and Health Services
E&T	Evaluation and Treatment Center (i.e., AUI, YIU)
EBP	Evidence Based Practice
FIMC	Full Integration of Medicaid Services
FYSPT	Family, Youth and System Partner Round Table
HARPS	Housing and Recovery through Peer Services
HCA	Health Care Authority
HCS	Home and Community Services
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act
HRSA	Health and Rehabilitation Services Administration
IMD	Institutes for the Mentally Diseased
IS	Information Services
ITA	Involuntary Treatment Act
MAT	Medical Assisted Treatment
MCO	Managed Care Organization
MHBG	Mental Health Block Grant
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
OCH	Olympic Community of Health
OPT	Opiate Treatment Program
OST	Opiate Substitution Treatment
PACT	Program of Assertive Community Treatment
PATH	Programs to Aid in the Transition from Homelessness
PIHP	Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans
PIP	Performance Improvement Project
P&P	Policies and Procedures
QUIC	Quality Improvement Committee
RCW	Revised Code Washington
RFP, RFQ	Requests for Proposal, Requests for Qualifications
SABG	Substance Abuse Block Grant
SAPT	Substance Abuse Prevention Treatment
SBHO	Salish Behavioral Health Organization
SUD	Substance Use Disorder
TAM	Technical Assistance Monitoring
UM	Utilization Management
VOA	Volunteers of America
WAC	Washington Administrative Code
WM	Withdrawal Management
WSH	Western State Hospital, Tacoma

[Full listing of definitions and acronyms](#)



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Action Items

A. SBH-ASO ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

On November 12, 2021, Salish BH-ASO Staff outreached SBH-ASO Advisory Board Members with expiring terms and inquired about interest in continuing to serve on the Board. Staff received responses from all Board Members listed below, except for Jolene Sullivan. All Board Member responses confirmed interest in continuing to serve.

The following SBH-ASO Advisory Board Members have expiring terms:

- Sandy Goodwick, 2-year term expires 12/31/21
- Janet Nickolaus, 1-year term expires 12/31/21
- Anne Dean, 2-year term expires 12/31/21
- Helen Havens, 1-year term expires 11/30/21
- Jon Stroup, 1-year term expires 12/31/21
- Jolene Sullivan, 2-year term expires 12/31/21

The recommendations regarding Board Member reappointment made during the December 3, 2021, Advisory Board Meeting will be presented to the Executive Board.

B. APPROVAL OF CALENDAR YEAR 2022 BUDGET

There are several new funding streams incorporated into the 2022 calendar year budget. A summary of new funding and corresponding new programming is summarized below.

Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach: Senate Bill 5092 appropriated funds to support the development and/or expansion of youth mobile crisis outreach teams. The bill requires that each BH-ASO region have at least 1 youth mobile crisis outreach team by June 30, 2022.

The Salish region does not currently have any mobile crisis outreach teams that only serve youth. Rather, each crisis team is responsible for serving all individuals in their assigned catchment area. This team will be separate and distinct from current mobile crisis outreach teams. This new youth team will provide crisis outreach services and, when indicated, coordinate with existing crisis teams for involuntary treatment investigations.

Staff conducted an analysis of the number of youth served by mobile crisis and number of services rendered for the period of January 2020 – June 2021 for both Clallam and Kitsap Counties.

The data reflected below suggests that only Kitsap County has the population and utilization to justify the cost of a youth mobile crisis team.

	Kitsap County	Clallam County
Jan-June 2020: Average # Youth Served Per Month	15	7
Jan-June 2020: Average # of Services	45	10
July-December 2020: Average # Youth Served Per Month	18	6
July-December 2020: Average # of Services	53	12
Jan-June 2021: Average # Youth Served Per Month	26	8
Jan-June 2021: Average # of Services	64	19

Staff estimates the cost of operating a 2-person youth mobile crisis outreach team in Kitsap County, 7 days a week between 7am-11pm to be \$475,000. This equates to approximately 56% of the new annual funding allocated to expand youth mobile crisis outreach team capacity and aligns with Kitsap County’s proportion of population in relation to Jefferson and Clallam Counties.

The remaining 44% of funding, approximately \$372,000 would then be added to Clallam and Jefferson County Crisis Providers compensation to add Child Mental Health Specialists to their mobile crisis outreach teams. Staff plans to release an RFP in January 2022, specific to Kitsap County, for the Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Team funding.

Certified Peer Counselor Crisis Team Expansion: Funding has been provided to add a Certified Peer Counselor (CPC) to existing Crisis teams. The CPC will be required to participate in crisis specific peer training that is being developed by DBHR. Crisis Peers may not provide the initial crisis response independently. This position may provide co-response with another crisis staff and/or peer services following a crisis event. Each of the four crisis teams across the region will add the role to their existing team.

Peer Pathfinder Transition from Incarceration Pilot: This program adds Peer services to the existing Jail Transitions Program. Peer services will be available to individuals who are exiting incarceration and up to 120 days post release. The Peer would be connected to the individual pre-release or at release to provide continuity of care through the return to community. The Peer Pathfinder will work with the individuals to bridge any barriers to returning to community. They can provide support tailored to the individuals’ needs including access to community-based services, support with life skills, social support, and reintegration. They will assist the individuals with connecting to formal services as well as informal support based on individual needs and desires. The goal is to assist with transitions back to community and decrease recidivism.

Co-Responder Program: Another new program that supports the behavioral crisis system is the Co-Responder Program. A small allocation of funds, \$100,000 per year, has been allocated to SBH-ASO to partner with law enforcement or other first responder agency (Fire/EMS) to pair a mental health professional and allow for co-response to emergency calls. SBH-ASO was prepared to release an RFP for these funds on 11/19/21 prior to receiving communication from the HCA on 11/18/21 that narrowed the entities that were eligible to submit a proposal.

Due to the number of new programs SBH-ASO is tasked with implementing over the next 6 months, Staff must proceed with implementing other new programs before returning to this program and developing a new plan.

Non-Medicaid Budget

A summary of anticipated calendar year 2022 non-Medicaid revenue is attached for the Board's review. A summary of anticipated calendar year 2022 non-Medicaid expenditures is attached for the Board's review. Staff will review these documents in detail.

Medicaid Budget

A summary of anticipated calendar year 2022 Medicaid Revenue and Expenditures is attached for the Board's review. Staff will review these documents in detail.

Informational Items

A. RECOVERY NAVIGATOR PROGRAM UPDATE

SB5476, which is the legislative response to State v. Blake decision, requires BH-ASOs to establish a Regional Recovery Navigator Program. The Recovery Navigator Program must provide community-based outreach, intake, assessment, and connection to services to youth and adults with substance use or co-occurring needs.

In the Summer of 2021, Health Care Authority (HCA) directed BH-ASOs to have regional programs implemented by November 1, 2021. During the Joint Executive/Advisory Board Meeting on September 17, 2021, staff summarized the planning and provider engagement that had occurred to date, and sought approval to contract with 5 agencies to implement the program by November 1, 2021.

SBH-ASO submitted its Recovery Navigator Program Plan to HCA on October 1, 2021. On November 1, 2021, SBH-ASO was notified by HCA that its plan was fully approved without any contingencies. Since that time, agencies have been working diligently to get staffing in place. There are five teams across the region: Peninsula Behavioral Health and Reflections in Clallam County; Discovery Behavioral Healthcare in Jefferson County; and Agape and West Sound Treatment Center in Kitsap County. Each team includes a Project Manager, Outreach Coordinator/Care Manager, and Recovery Coaches. The teams will coordinate with law enforcement, existing navigator programs, and community members to provide support to individuals who have challenges accessing care in traditional settings.

SBH-ASO has named the Recovery Navigator Program the REAL Program (Recovery, Empowerment, Advocacy, and Linkage). Staff will provide additional details regarding the progress of full program implementation.

B. HB1310 UPDATE

During the July 30th Executive Board Meeting, Staff provided a high-level summary of HB1310 and the impact on the crisis system. SBH-ASO has taken several steps to support the local community and mitigate the risk of the breakdown of collaborative working relationships between behavioral health crisis agencies and law enforcement agencies.

On August 19th, SBH-ASO facilitated a regional meeting with law enforcement agencies surrounding the impact of HB1310 in the Salish community. SBH-ASO extended an invitation to every law enforcement jurisdiction across the region, Fire/EMS agencies and Behavioral Health Crisis Agencies. Attendance and participation far exceeded expectations. Participants expressed interest in continuing to hold this meeting on a quarterly cadence and SBH-ASO agreed to organize and facilitate.

Representatives Goodman, Johnson and Orwall have been facilitating conversations about clarifying legislative language regarding law enforcement responses to behavioral health calls and situations. It is anticipated that there may be a legislative “fix” in the upcoming session.

C. HB1477 (9-8-8 BILL): CRIS COMMITTEE UPDATE

During the March 2021 Executive Board Meeting, staff provided a high-level summary of HB1477, commonly referred to as the “9-8-8 Bill”. HB1477 was, in part, a legislative response to federal legislation. In October 2020, Congress passed the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 which changes the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (NSPL) hotline number and Veteran’s Crisis Line number from 1-800-273-8255, to the 3-digit number, 9-8-8. This change will go fully into effect on July 16, 2022. The ease of remembering the 9-8-8 number made this a welcome change across the U.S. This legislation passed by Congress permits states to add a tax to telecom bills to pay for expected increase in call volume associated with the change to 9-8-8. 9-8-8 calls can only be routed to call centers accredited by the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

In addition to creating a single 3-digit number that anyone in Washington can utilize when wishing to reach a suicide prevention line, HB1477 directs significant changes to and expansion of the behavioral health crisis response system. HB1477 established the Crisis Response Improvement Strategy (CRIS) Committee and CRIS Steering Committee. Two of the thirty-six CRIS Committee seats are held by BH-ASO Representatives.

D. SBH-ASO ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE

Lois Hoell, Chair, will provide an update on behalf of the Advisory Board.

E. 2022 SBH-ASO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

SBH-ASO Executive Board Meetings in calendar year 2022 are planned for the 3rd Friday of the month from 9am-11am in the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Once this plan is confirmed by the Board, staff will send out calendar invitations to secure the dates.

**MINUTES OF THE
SALISH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ADVISORY BOARD**

September 17, 2021

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

VIRTUAL ONLY: ZOOM Virtual Platform

CALL TO ORDER – Commissioner Greg Brotherton, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:01a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS – Self introductions were conducted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA TOPICS –

- Sandy Goodwick, SBH-ASO Advisory Board Member, noted that the years that she has been with the SBHO to the SBH-ASO that she is deeply impressed. She appreciated how the SBH-ASO conducts themselves, specifically adhering to the law, policies, and responding to the public need.
- Daniel Montana, Port Angeles Fire Department, participated as a Member of the Program Standards Committee for the Recovery Navigator Program that is being presented to the board today. Daniel participated in a discussion regarding the SBH-ASO's plan to implement the Recovery Navigator Program (RNP) and it does not align with the intent of the RNP Standards Committee. He stated that the RNP was intended to connect programs and organizations that were already doing this type of work and it is a new and unique, "outside the box," program. Noted that he wanted those existing programs, with established working processes and programming to be able to expand and enhance their programs. Requested programs who have done these services have the ability to access and show how they can best use these funds. Offered any perspective or insight regarding this program and the current services offered.
- Amy Miller, Program Director, Clallam County Arrest and Jail Alternatives Program, which includes REdisCOVERY Program as an outreach program, reports to run a Navigator type program. Reported that she recently learned while serving on another board what she believes is the appearance of impropriety and not fair and balanced. Discussed that they were not made aware of the need for the RNP to use existing contracted providers and reported that they were not offered to contract when made available by the SBH-ASO. It was reported to her that the reason for this decision was due to data requirements and the quick turnaround of implementation. It is her belief that it would be a quicker implementation process if the money was offered to or at least available to agencies that are already doing this type of work. She supports Reflections in moving forward with the RNP as she believes that they are out in the community as the program standards intended. Believes that the process should be a competitive process to allow those LEAD-like programs already in the region to have an opportunity.
 - Noted that Kim Hendrickson was going to write a public comment to be shared.
 - Stephanie Lewis, SBH-ASO Administrator, noted that at the time of these comments the SBH-ASO staff have not received a write in for public comment from Kim Hendrickson.
- Sandy Goodwick, SBH-ASO Advisory Board Member, reports to have met Daniel Montana and Amy Miller at an Opioid Conference, as well as a Clallam County Health and Healing Group where she heard Amy speak regarding homelessness in Port Angeles. She notes that a person she knew became homeless and needed behavioral health support and she reached out to countless organizations, however, when she reached out to Amy Miller's efforts that helped the person finally get some behavioral health support and basic needs met. Helen Havens, SBH-ASO Advisory Board Member, commented regarding her belief that she did not know that there

were any restrictions to any particular group as there were a lot of applicants. Noting that she found it curious that no mental health agencies applied for the funding.

- Stephanie Lewis, SBH-ASO Administrator, attempted to clarify the public comments, as they are not related to the process that the SBH-ASO advisory board was involved in related to the Block Grant RFP. The Block Grant RFP recommendations are a later action item also to be discussed in today's meeting.

APPROVAL of AGENDA – Commissioner Greg Brotherton

MOTION: Commissioner Mark Ozias moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Tribal Representative Theresa Lehman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL of MINUTES –

MOTION: Tribal Representative Theresa Lehman moved to approve the meeting notes as submitted for the July 30, 2021 meeting. Commissioner Robert Gelder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

- **SUMMARY ENHANCED BLOCK GRANT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) PROCESS AND ADVISORY BOARD GENERAL FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS (EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION)**

On May 24, 2021, SBH-ASO released email notification informing the community of an upcoming RFP for Enhanced Block Grant Funds. The notification outlined steps to be completed to be eligible for these funds if an entity wasn't a current SBH-ASO subcontractor. This notification was sent to the following entities across the 3-county region:

- Licensed Behavioral Health Agencies
- Federally Qualified Health Centers
- 7 Tribes
- Olympic Educational School District
- Current SBH-ASO subcontractors

The Enhanced MHBG and Enhanced SABG RFPs were released July 6, 2021 and closed August 5, 2021.

- No proposals were received for the \$250,000 of Enhanced MHBG funding.
- Twelve (12) proposals from four (4) agencies were received for the Enhanced SABG funding.
 - Proposals only received from agencies in Kitsap and Clallam counties
 - Enhanced SABG requests totaled \$455,631, leaving \$94,369 not requested.

The Advisory Board RFP Committee reviewed the proposals and met on August 30, 2021 to make recommendations. The recommendations are in the attached table "*Enhanced SABG RFP Summary and Recommendations*". The recommendation of the committee was to fund all requests fully. All votes were unanimous.

Additionally, SBH-ASO presented a plan for the \$250,000 of unrequested Enhanced MHBG and \$94,369 of unrequested Enhanced SABG. The Advisory Board RFP Committee agreed with SBH-ASO's plan. The recommendations are in the attached table "*Recommendations for Unrequested Enhanced Block Grant Funds.*"

Reviewed the unrequested Enhanced MHBG and SABG funds. SBH-ASO is proposing to be allocated \$125,000 for crisis stabilization facility-based services that would be at Kitsap Mental Health Crisis Triage Center. Addressed discrepancy from the above summarization statement of \$250,000 of unrequested Enhanced MHBG vs. the \$306,193 funds listed in the PowerPoint and attachment 6.b.1. Discussed that these funds exclude the administrative costs associated.

MOTION: Commissioner Mark Ozias moves that the Board approve the Advisory Committee recommendations for funding Enhanced Block Grant RFP Process as presented. Tribal Representative Theresa Lehman seconded the motion. Theresa Lehman Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Commissioner Mark Ozias moved to approve recommendations for the unrequested Mental Health Block Grant Funds (MHBG) and Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) funds as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

➤ **APPROVAL OF ENHANCED MHBG AND SABG PLANS** (ADVISORY BOARD ACTION)

The Healthcare Authority requires Advisory Board Approval of Federal Block Grant Plans. With the addition of Enhanced MHBG and Enhanced SABG funds, SBH-ASO is required to submit two additional Block Grant Plans following their approval by SBH-ASO's Advisory Board. The attached plans are for July 1, 2021 – March 31, 2023. Both plans reflect the priorities identified by the Advisory Board during the February 2021 Board Meeting and the recommendations of the RFP Review Committee.

- Enhanced MHBG Plan

As noted during the summary of the RFP process, there were no proposals received for Enhanced MHBG funds. SBH-ASO staff recommendations were presented in the attached table "*Recommendations for Unrequested Enhanced Block Grant Funds*" in the Agenda Item above. SBH-ASO is proposing \$125,000 of funding be allocated for Crisis Triage within Kitsap County, to include access by Jefferson residents if needed. SBH-ASO recommends allocating the remaining \$115,000 for outpatient treatment services in 2022. Staff will work with providers on a more specific plan for these outpatient treatment funds. Staff will review the attached "*Enhanced Block Grant Plans Summary*" and seek Advisory Board Approval. See full *Enhanced MHBG Plan* attachment.

- Enhanced SABG Plan

This plan reflects the RFP Committee Recommendations and SBH-ASO staff recommendations. After allocation of funding by the RFP, SBH-ASO recommends the remaining funds be allocated for withdrawal management services (\$5000) and SUD Residential (\$91,800). These two priority categories were identified as needs in the SUD Needs Survey completed by SBH-ASO in Spring 2021. Staff will review the attached "*Enhanced Block Grant Plans Summary*" and seek Advisory Board Approval. See full *Enhanced SABG Plan* attachment.

MOTION: Helen Havens moved to approve Approval of Enhanced MHBG and SABG Plans (Advisory Board Action). Jon Stroup seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

➤ **SBH-ASO LETTER OF INTEREST PROCESS FOR RECOVERY NAVIGATOR PROGRAM AND APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH CONTRACTING (EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION)**

During the July 30th Executive Board Meeting, Staff provided a high-level summary of SB5476 (Blake Bill) and the role of BH-ASOs in developing new regional Recovery Navigator Programs. SBH-ASO's July 1st contract amendment with the Healthcare Authority included the requirement to plan and implement this new regional program at an extremely rapid pace.

Due to the Program's staffing requirements, data reporting requirements and accelerated timeline for implementation, SBH-ASO determined that utilizing its existing contracted network within the 3-county region was the only approach to successfully launch this program by 11/1/21. On July 29th, SBH-ASO sent email communication to its currently contracted network within the 3-county region seeking Letters of Interest for participation in this new program. Letters of interest were due by August 13, 2021. Letters of interest were received from 2 Clallam County agencies, 1 Jefferson County agency and 2 Kitsap County agencies.

On August 25th, SBH-ASO received the final Uniform Program Standards and notification of its annual funding allocation of \$1,435,190. SBH-ASO has determined that the funding allocation is sufficient to support 5 subcontractors providing services within this new program. Approximate funding allocations of \$287,035 were shared with each interested agency and all agencies agreed that funds were sufficient to support their willingness to contract.

SBH-ASO is seeking Executive Board approval to proceed with contracting with the following agencies for the implementation of the Recovery Navigator Program: Reflections Counseling, Peninsula Behavioral Health, Discovery Behavioral Healthcare, Agape Unlimited and West Sound Treatment Center.

MOTION: Commissioner Robert Gelder moved to approve SBH-ASO Letter of Interest Process for Recovery Navigator Program and Approval to Proceed with Contracting. Commissioner Mark Ozias seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

➤ **UPDATE ON HB1310 AND REGIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE**

During the July 30th Executive Board Meeting, Staff provided a high-level summary of HB1310 and the impact on the crisis system. SBH-ASO has taken several steps to support the local community and mitigate the risk of the breakdown of collaborative working relationships between behavioral health crisis agencies and law enforcement agencies.

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SBH-ASO created a template for crisis teams to document their requests of law enforcement related to supporting crisis outreach and involuntary treatment investigations. The weekly tracking has indicated 21 contacts over the 5 weeks of tracking. This included 8 in Kitsap, 7 in Jefferson and 6 in Clallam (PBH). No law enforcement contacts have been reported by WEOS.

The Salish region continues to be fortunate that law enforcement jurisdictions are working with our providers to problems-solve challenges. Staff will discuss some early observations from the weekly tracking logs.

➤ **UPDATE ON CHANGES TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OMBUDS SYSTEM**

In accordance with HB1086, the Ombuds program will be transitioning to a new state office of Behavioral Health Consumer Advocacy. This change is scheduled to fully actualize by October 1, 2022. Historically, the Regional Support Networks (RSNs), Behavioral Health Organizations (BHOs) and BH-ASOs were responsible for ensuring Behavioral Health Ombuds access within their Regional Service Area.

The Department of Commerce was tasked with the contracting for this new agency. The expected roll out will include a Request for Information (RFI) in late September/early October 2021, followed by a RFP in March 2022. Commerce expects to make a contracting decision in June 2022 for a contract start of July 1, 2022.

In a meeting on 8/30/21, it was discussed that ASO contracts will include the administration of Behavioral Health Ombuds services through October 2021 to support a smooth transition. Commerce stated that the chosen “independent non-profit” identified through the RFP will have full decision-making on how the program will be run going forward. Behavioral Health Ombuds across the state have expressed notable anxiety about the limited information being shared. Engagement of stakeholders has been limited. Current Behavioral Health Ombuds are concerned about job security and many programs have seen staff turnover this year. Planning at Commerce in partnership with HCA is still in the early stages.

➤ **OLYMPIC COMMUNITY OF HEALTH UPDATE**

Executive Director, Celeste Schoenthaler, will provide an update on the work the Olympic Community of Health is leading in the region.

Celeste provided the following link for New Strategic Plan that the OCH Board adopted earlier this week: [OCH Strategic Plan \(usfiles.com\)](#), in addition provided the Summary link: [Strategic Plan-Summary \(usfiles.com\)](#). Due to time, she requested to share OCH work around stigma of substance use disorder in the Executive Board November 2021 meeting.

➤ **ADVISORY BOARD UPATE**

Chair, Lois Hoell, will provide an update on behalf of the Advisory Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Amy Miller, Program Director of REdisCOVERY, Jail Alternatives Programming in Clallam County. Amy wanted to ensure that everyone participating in this meeting is aware that there is already contracting and problem-solving occurring regarding the SB 5476/Blake Bill. Specifically, Clallam County Sheriff’s Office and Port Angeles Police Department (PAPD) to

develop a referral process. States that this creates competition in small counties. Provided thanks for the work that the Executive Board has done. Voiced concerns for other existing programs, such as Daniel's (Clallam County Fire), Fire CARES (Poulsbo) and other programs. Encouraged coordination and inclusion of existing programs to ensure that there is not direct competition.

- G'Nell, Reflections, appreciated and thanked the Executive and Advisory Board for considering and fully funding this innovative program to Reflections. She looks forward to sharing successes to future SBH-ASO Board meetings. Offered thanks to the SBH-ASO staff for their continued commitment to each of the three (3) counties with respect to ensuring that services are provided. Noted that Reflections continues to partner with the fire department, as well as Amy with REdisCOVERY, and look forward to partnering as they have.
- Lori Fleming, Jefferson County CHIP, noted that Jefferson County was seemingly absent around this funding that was available and referenced that with the compressed timelines and lack of bandwidth could have been a barrier to this funding. She suggested that the Behavioral Health Consortium (BHCC) in Jefferson County would be a place to have these conversations. She offered October 14th BHCC as a meeting where SBH-ASO and others may be able to attend.
- Daniel Montana, Port Angeles Fire Department, inquired as to the contract duration of the Recovery Navigator Program for the agencies.
 - Stephanie Lewis, SBH-ASO Administrator, reported that the contracts are implemented through June 2022.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Stephanie Lewis, SBH-ASO Administrator reminded the next Meetings will continue to be virtual:
 - SBH-ASO Behavioral Health Advisory Board is scheduled for December 3, 2021 from 10am-12pm.
 - SBH-ASO Behavioral Health Executive Board is scheduled for November 19, 2021 from 9am-11am.

ADJOURNMENT – Consensus for adjournment at 11:03 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

BOARD MEMBERS	STAFF	GUESTS
Executive Board Members	Stephanie Lewis, SBH-ASO Administrator	G'Nell Ashley, Reflections
Commissioner Mark Ozias	Jolene Kron, SBH-ASO Deputy Admin/Clinical Director	Lori Fleming, Jeff Co. CHIP
Commissioner Greg Brotherton	Glenn Lippman, M.D., SBH-ASO Medical Director	Daniel Montana, PA Fire Department
Commissioner Robert Gelder	Martiann Lewis, SBH-ASO Care Manager	Amy Miller, REdisCOVERY
Theresa Lehman, Tribal Representative	Nicole Oberg, SBH-ASO Program Specialist	Rob Welch, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Celeste Schoenthaler, OCH Executive Director	Doug Washburn, Kitsap Human Services Director	Vivian Morey, Bridges Ombuds
Advisory Board Members		

Lois Hoell, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Sandy Goodwick, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Anne Dean, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Janet Nickolaus, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Jon Stroup, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Helen Havens, SBH-ASO Advisory Board		
Excused:		
<i>None Excused</i>		

NOTE: These meeting notes are not verbatim.

SBH-ASO Non-Medicaid Revenue - Calendar Year 2022	
State (GFS)	\$4,200,744.00
Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG)	\$329,354.00
Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG)	\$1,209,622.00
Designated Marijuana Account (DMA)	\$226,560.00
Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA)	\$261,806.00
State Drug Court (CJTA)	\$210,880.00
CJTA Therapeutic Courts	\$220,870.00
Secure Detox	\$101,592.00
Jail Services	\$112,434.00
5480- ITA non-Medicaid	\$163,260.00
Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT)	\$138,996.00
Detention Decision Review	\$27,492.00
Long-term Civil Commitment (court costs)	\$6,444.00
Trueblood Misdemeanor Diversion	\$131,280.00
Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)	\$61,764.00
Crisis Triage/Stabilization	\$446,004.00
Behavioral Health Advisory Board	\$39,996.00
Ombuds	\$22,500.00
E&T Discharge Planners	\$107,294.00
Family Youth System Parent Round Table (FYSPRT)	\$75,000.00
Peer Bridger	\$160,000.00
ASO Enhancement Funds	\$224,904.00
SB 5092 Youth Mobile Crisis Teams	\$847,068.00
SB 5073 ASO Monitoring of CR/LRA	\$40,000.00
SB5476 Recovery Navigator Administrator	\$140,000.00
(Blake) Recovery Navigator Program	\$1,435,190.00
MHBG COVID Crisis Services	\$53,608.00
MHBG COVID Peer Bridger Participant Funds	\$5,925.00
MHBG COVID Certified Peer Counselor Crisis Team Expansion	\$152,720.00
MHBG COVID Services non-Medicaid Individuals	\$244,954.00
MHBG COVID Peer Pathfinders from Incarceration Pilot	\$56,800.00
SABG COVID Peer Pathfinders from Incarceration Pilot	\$56,800.00
SABG COVID Services non-Medicaid Individuals	\$515,998.00
Block Grant Co-Responder (6 monts of revenue)	\$50,000.00
HCA HARPS	\$790,440.00
Commerce HARPS	\$643,827.00
HCA Emergency COVID Grant	\$114,500.00
Total Non-Medicaid Revenue	\$13,626,626

Summary of Non-Medicaid Expenditures - January 1 - December 31, 2022	
Crisis Line	\$204,000.00
Crisis Response/Mobile Outreach	\$1,891,080.00
Certified Peer Counselor Crisis Expansion	\$137,448.00
Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Expansion	\$847,068.00
Co-Responder Program (to start 7/1/22)	\$45,000.00
Crisis Outreach Performance Metric	\$48,248.00
Total Crisis	\$3,172,844.00
Involuntary Psychiatric Inpatient	\$2,000,000.00
ITA Secure Withdrawal Management and Stabilization	\$351,000.00
ITA Court Costs	\$300,000.00
LRA/CR Outpatient Monitoring and Treatment	\$61,764.00
Total Involuntary	\$2,712,764.00
Facility-based Crisis Stabilization	\$100,000.00
SUD Residential Treatment	\$112,440.00
SUD Withdrawal Management	\$4,000.00
Total Residential Treatment	\$216,440.00
SABG RFP Awards (SUD Outpatient and Recovery Supports)	\$364,504.00
MH Outpatient	\$92,459.00
PACT	\$138,996.00
PPW Childcare	\$70,000.00
PPW Housing Support	\$50,000.00
Transportation	\$31,000.00
Total Outpatient and Recovery Supports	\$746,959.00
Difficult to Discharge/High Risk Individual Set-aside	\$250,000.00
New Program Development Set-aside	\$345,854.00
Recovery Navigator (REAL) Program	\$1,435,190.00
CJTA	\$693,556.00
E&T Discharge Planners	\$107,294.00
Peer Bridger and PB Participant Funds	\$165,925.00
ASO Enhancement Payments	\$224,904.00
Jail Services and Jail Peer Transition Pilot	\$226,034.00
Behavioral Health Advisory Board	\$39,996.00
Community Education/Training	\$50,455.00
FYSPRT Meeting and Stipends	\$15,000.00
OMBUDS	\$27,500.00
Interpreter Services	\$2,000.00
SBH-ASO Housing Program (Subsidies and Services)	\$1,350,324
Emergency COVID Subcontract	\$94,500
Total Miscellaenous	\$5,028,532.00
BH-ASO Operations	\$1,749,087.00
Total Expenditures	\$13,626,626.00

Medicaid Budget: January - December 2022	
Revenue*	
MCO Revenue (Amerigroup, CHPW, Coordinated Care, Molina, United Healthcare)	\$ 3,903,702
Total Medicaid Revenue	\$ 3,903,702
Medicaid Expenditures	
Crisis Services	
Regional Crisis Line	\$ 264,300
Crisis Response Teams/Mobile Crisis Outreach	\$ 2,865,464
Other Medicaid Expenses	
Ombuds (through 9/1/22)	\$ 52,947
BH-ASO Administration	\$ 360,360
Hold for Reconciliation Adjustments	\$ 360,631
Total Medicaid Expenses	\$ 3,903,702

** Revenue is estimated as SBH-ASO is paid on a per member per month (PMPM) basis by each MCO. As Medicaid Membership fluctuates, so does Salish's Medicaid Revenue.*