



FY21-23 Lewis and Clark County - LCPH

Behavioral Health Local Advisory Council - Strategic Planning Overview

SESSION OVERVIEW

2.2.21 20 Individuals consisting of 19 LAC participants (members, consumers and LCPH staff) and consultant, Dan Clark, Director of MSU Local Government Center, met for a targeted two-hour Strategic Planning Session. The mission and guiding principles, community needs and past accomplishments, challenges and focus areas identified in the pre-survey of LAC were discussed to provide food for strategic thought to further define and create the themes/pillars, objectives and to begin the creative process of framing a 3-year strategic workplan for each of the four pillars identified.

Following 1.5 hours of presentation and discussion based on pre-strategic survey questions and results from participating LAC members that included: Mission, guiding principles, why and what is our purpose, and the strengths, weaknesses and challenges to meeting our objectives and tying to our guiding principles.

Mission Statement and Guiding Principles of LAC within our bylaws reviewed for focus and need to connect to our goals.

WHY LAC EXISTS – *A Framework to Strategy*

Mission

The purpose of the LAC is to assist in the improvement of LCC County Public Health Behavioral Health (Mental Illness and Substance Use Disorders) services and to review and make recommendations about behavioral health services to LCC and Service Area Authorities (SAA).

Guiding Principles–Key terms in our guiding principles to focus our framework

- **Examine gaps and recommend solutions.**
- **Identify potential additions to services and make recommendation.**
- **Analyze and discuss local problems experienced by service providers.**
- **Facilitate accurate and timely communications between/among partners.**
- **Assess the effectiveness of services and suggest ways of making services more effective.**
- **Serve as a catalyst and facilitator in solving service problems.**
- **Recommend strategies for organization and coordination of services.**
- **Work with providers to provide education on behavioral health issues.**

The pillars (themes) identified for FY21-FY23 build on both previous strategic planning in addition to new focus.

Breakout workgroups were formed to begin framing strategy and goals of these pillars to be implemented in the next three years, they include:

1. **Communication/Awareness/Education/Interaction**
2. **Improved Future Behavioral Health Crisis & Continuum of Care**
3. **Legislation & Policy with expanded focus to Local, Regional and State**
4. **Data and Common Dashboard**

NEXT STEPS

Create each Workgroup Team to continue building Logic Model to solidify strategy and yearly goals, collaborations and outcomes for each of the four pillars for next three years. Develop a thread that connects all workgroups by connecting to LCC strategy with a BH Crisis Response goal.

LAC participants select one group each to join.

Identify a Lead and Co-lead within each group.

Meet and report monthly on workplan progress and challenges in the first 6 months for 3-5 minutes at each meeting and recommend change to bi-monthly reporting at scheduled LAC meetings starting in September 2021 to continue momentum and allow group to have time to collaborate on workplan defined activities. JJ 2.23.21