



## Behavioral Health Task Group Meeting Minutes May 19, 2017

*The Behavioral Health Task Group is an inclusive & collaborative group focused on providing education, service expansion and advocacy to ensure that all Sussex County residents have access to quality mental/behavioral health services.*

<b>Subject</b>	<b>BHTG</b>	<b>Dates</b>	5-19-17
<b>Facilitator</b>	Crystal Timmons-Underwood	<b>Time: Start</b>	9:30am
<b>Location</b>	Thurman Adams State Service Center	<b>Time: End</b>	11:00am
<b>Room</b>	Public Health Conference Room (North Entrance)		
<b>Address</b>	546 South Bedford Street Georgetown, DE 19947		

### Agenda

	Topic	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Attendance: Crystal Timmons-Underwood, Jim Martin, Jenn Montalbano, Connie Montalbano, Brenda Smith, Diana Agnetti, Kym Alvarado, Lynn Widdowson, Alan Southard, Linda, Blowey, Dave Parcher, Jacqueline Starbach, Willard Heuser, Jasul Coleman, Lindsay McClanahan, Megan Williams, Carrie Snyder, Carolyn Showell, Susan Donges</b></li>   <li>❖ <b>Review April Meetings Minutes – Motion to accept minutes: Lynn Widdowson made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Jenna Montalbano made a second to the motion and minutes were approved with the correction to the date of March not January.</b></li> </ul>	
	<p><b><u>Guest Speakers:</u></b></p> <p><b>What is Your Voice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Is a Public Non-Profit that provides pro-bono services through our Domestic Violence Peer Support Advocates who know why it's crucial to break the silence of abuse and violence towards woman and children in Sussex County</li> <li>➤ Opening a new site at 109 North Bedford Street. This will be a career center not a SHELTER. They will provide services that helps find these ladies a roof.</li> <li>➤ They plan on opening a shelter in the next five years.</li> <li>➤ We provide crisis care and critical intensive after care for survivors</li>   <li>➤ Educate our survivors to understand Trauma and the effects of PTSD on the mind and body.</li> <li>➤ Give comfort and offer safety through their journey to rediscover themselves, re-establishing their identity and finding their voice.</li> <li>➤ Helps provide everything someone needs to move out on their own. They provide emotional needs as well as financial support for the clients.</li> <li>➤ Help clients find their own home/apt/etc.</li> </ul>	

- Provide educational teaching such as showing them how to do things on their own.
- They empower their clients and help them realize how they ended up in an abusive relationship and provide them with HOPE and help them find their voice.

**Ace Peer Center – Georgetown Expansion**

- Expanded to Georgetown
- Currently has about 50 people per day coming in for resources
- Drop in no appointment needed
- They help obtain employment, find housing and locate necessary resources to meet individuals needs
- Provides PEER friendship, sanctuary and structure
- Provides PEER support and account ability through individual and support group.
- Has a shower and laundry facility for drop in homeless
- Starting a three-quarter house at any time because you can have 10 people that are non-related in the house. Due to the fair housing act. If they stay sober. Creating places for people to continue the recovery.
- Try’s to move someone from Roofless to homeless. Holding accountability.
- Has a calendar that organization can come in and work with the clients there. They try and have jobs resources and other resources to provide

**Old Business/Updates:**

- Education Training – Focus on the Family Series
  - Recap on the past three events.
    - ✓ Jenn recapped the event and spoke about the upcoming training next location will be the Seaford Area.
    - ✓ We will start engaging other organizations to be part of the subcommittee to start planning.
    - ✓ The next training, we are thinking a one day, four-hour training.
  
- Healthier Sussex County Task Force – Update
 

This is a collaboration for the three Health Care Systems, Beebe, Nanticoke, & Bayhealth. They also include La Red Healthcare in their planning.

  - Integration of Behavior/ Mental Health with Primary Care
  - Meeting with Healthier Sussex Task Force / Treatment Centers
    - Megan Williams discussed the last meeting of the Healthier Sussex health care systems. She discussed the information that was provided from DSAMH.
    - Two major details, Beebe Opened a New Health Care Client in Long Neck this client provided the Behavior Health Care needs. Some of the needs may be food, transportation, etc. they may need case management and address their needs in the next 30 days for wrap around services.

In the process of receiving Longwood Foundation money for Beebe, Generations, and La Red – Non-medical home services. The second grant is HERSA Grant from University of Delaware to

	provide additional Behavior Health Services.		
	<p><b><u>New Business:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Group discussion around special presentation by Yolanda Schlabach. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Change in venue 10:30 August 18<sup>th</sup> at the Georgetown Library Yolanda Schlabach presentation will be about 45 minutes and then a full meeting and round table discuss</li> <li>○ Who else should we invite?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	<b>Updates/Announcements</b>		
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<b>Confirmed Dates and Location</b>			
	<p><b>BHTG Committee Meeting @</b> Thurman Adams State Service Center – Guest Speaker TBA</p> <p><b>Quarterly Meeting</b> University of Delaware Cooperative Extension – Route 9</p>	<p><b>9:30 to 11:00</b></p> <p><b>8:30 to 10:30</b></p>	<p>Please remember to RSVP to <a href="mailto:ctunderwood@pmgconsulting.net">ctunderwood@pmgconsulting.net</a></p> <p>So we can set up the room to accommodate all attendees</p>

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