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## Region 10 PIHP Board Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Region 10 PIHP

2186 Water Street, Port Huron, MI 48060

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**Board Members Present:** Ron Barnard, Lori Curtiss, Dr. Niketa Dani, Ted Hammon, DeElla Johnson, Joyce Johnson, Gary Jones (virtual), Bob Kozfkay, Ken Lemons, Chad Polmanteer, Ed Priemer, Nancy Thomson

**Board Members Absent:** Elva Mills, Bobbie Umbreit, Rex Ziebarth

**Staff Present:** *Region 10 PIHP Staff:* Jim Johnson, Chief Executive Officer; Kelly VanWormer, Chief Operations Officer; Richard Carpenter, Chief Financial Officer (virtual); Kristen Potthoff, Corporate Compliance Officer; Lauren Campbell, Quality Manager; Robin Kalbfleisch, Recording Secretary

**CMH Staff:** Wil Morris, Sanilac CMH; Dan Russell, GHS; Lauren Emmons, Lapeer CMH; Brooke Sankiewicz, Lapeer CMH

**Guests:** None

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**1. Call to Order:**

Called to order at 9:02 a.m.

**2. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board**

None

**3. Agenda Changes (Action Item)**

It was moved by Ms. Joyce Johnson, seconded by Mr. Priemer, to approve the revised meeting agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Action Item)**

It was moved by Mr. Hammon, seconded by Mr. Lemons, to approve the September 15, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**5. Finance**

**A. Monthly Finance Report – August 2023 (Action Item)**

Mr. Carpenter reported that there was a reduction in eligibles in August as anticipated. Some of the second retention payments are starting to come through and there is currently a \$500,000 deficit under Traditional Medicaid. The Medicaid ISF and Savings are fully funded. Under Healthy Michigan, there is a surplus of around \$11 million. We are



expecting a surplus for the end of the fiscal year, and potentially a small lapse back to the state. Under CCBHC, there is a deficit of about \$1.8 million, which will be a receivable from the state.

Mr. Carpenter stated that a comprehensive CCBHC presentation will be held next month during the retreat.

It was moved by Mr. Kozfkay, seconded by Ms. Joyce Johnson, to approve the Monthly Finance Report for August 2023 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**B. Monthly Payment Report – August 2023** (Action Item)

Mr. Carpenter presented the monthly payment report and noted the Hospital Rate Adjustor payments are on this report. He also noted the payment to NBS and expects payments to continue for the next couple of months or so. The generator is expected to be installed in December. A full reconciliation of the building project will be brought to the board in December or January.

It was moved by Ms. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Priemer, to approve the Monthly Payment Report for August 2023 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**C. Region 10 Audit RFP** (Action Item)

Mr. Carpenter presented a memo detailing the results of the RFP for independent audit services for Region 10, GHS, and St. Clair CMH. Three vendors submitted bids, and Roslund Prestage & Company from Alma, Michigan received the highest scores. Mr. Carpenter is requesting approval from the board to select Roslund Prestage & Company to do the financial audits, single audits, and compliance examination services for Region 10 for fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, and to authorize the CEO to exercise the option for the years of 2026, 2027 and 2028.

It was moved by Mr. Kozfkay, seconded by Dr. Dani, to approve the selection of Roslund Prestage & Company to do the financial audits, single audits, and compliance examination services for Region 10 for fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, and to authorize the CEO to exercise the option for the years of 2026, 2027 and 2028 if, in the CEO's discretion, those options are in the best interest of the region. **MOTION CARRIED**

**6. Contract Management**

**A. MDHHS / PIHP Contract Amendment Summary** (Action Item)

Ms. Potthoff presented the contract amendment summary that includes an update to the program manager to Kristen Jordan. There were also updates to the rates in Schedule H.

It was moved by Ms. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Lemmons, to approve the FY2023 MDHHS / PIHP Contract Amendment as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**B. PIHP / CMH Amendment Summary** (Action Item)

Ms. Potthoff presented the amendment regarding updates to the St. Clair CMH Staffing Lease agreement.



It was moved by Mr. Kozfkay, seconded by Mr. Priemer, to approve the PIHP / St. Clair CMH Contract Amendment as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**7. Quality Management**

**A. FY2024 Quality Improvement Program and Workplan** (Action Item)

Ms. Campbell presented the workplan for FY2024, which included language changes due to technical and process changes. She reviewed the new and updated committee goals that have been approved by the QI Committee. There was no feedback received from the Board.

It was moved by Ms. Thomson, seconded by Ms. Joyce Johnson, to approve the FY2024 Quality Improvement Program and Workplan as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**B. FY2023 Validation of Performance Measures Report**

Ms. Campbell presented the report from the annual external quality review that took place in July. She reviewed the findings, results, strengths, weaknesses, and recommendations. She also referenced the PIHP comparison data for Indicator #2e in the appendices.

**8. Policy**

**A. Communicable Disease Policy (05.13.18)** (Action Item)

Ms. Potthoff presented the new policy that was created due to a need to align our policies with the MDHHS standards. The policy includes SUD provider requirements for maintaining a communicable disease policy. These requirements were already within the contracts with the providers.

It was moved by Ms. Thomson, seconded by Dr. Dani, to approve Communicable Disease Policy #05.13.18 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

**9. Screening & Eligibility Determination/Referral Presentation**

Dr. Seilheimer presented *Access to Behavioral Health Services*. There was discussion on how hearing-impaired consumers contact Access.

There was discussion about centralized vs. decentralized Access centers. The CMH CEOs in attendance voiced concerns about Access wait times. Mr. Johnson stated that Access is the responsibility of the PIHPs, and some choose to delegate that function. Mr. Morris stated that other CMHs across the state who are CCBHCs have Access functions delegated to them by PIHPs. There was discussion about the steps an individual goes through when they call Access and also when they are offered a call back. Mr. Johnson stated that in a managed care environment such as ours, the entity that provides eligibility determination and referral should be separated from the service provider to avoid a conflict of interest. He will discuss conflict free access and planning under the Director's Report.



## 10. Director's Report

Leased staff: Mr. Johnson stated that St. Clair CMH has given notice to end the lease agreement for four Access Center staff and this will be in a future contract amendment. He stated that Access is not fully staffed, and we are currently recruiting for clinicians.

State Legislature: They are expected to adjourn November 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> and the only legislation closely related to the public behavioral health system that looks likely to pass during that time has to do with guardianship.

1915(i): Effective October 1<sup>st</sup> all Medicaid covered individuals who need 1915(i) services, with some exceptions, must be pre-authorized with the state before they can receive services. We are sending the numbers out to CMHs to let them know where they stand with the 1915(i) authorization process.

Conflict Free Access and Planning: The state originally intended to have information in our contract by October 1<sup>st</sup> that would specify system requirements to ensure a conflict-free environment. The state has reported that their discussions with the federal government include the need for *structural mitigation* rather than *procedural mitigation* to ensure that. Structural means that different agencies must do the functions rather than a procedural mitigation where there would be a firewall (procedures that mitigate conflict). The state has not indicated where the structural safeguards will be required. There will be Department meetings with the PIHPs and CMHA later this month.

SIS: The SIS assessment is no longer required in Michigan. The state is down to four potential assessments as an assessment will be required for each of the populations. A state workgroup has been meeting, and we will be advised once a decision has been made.

CMHA Board Association Conference: The CMHA Annual Fall Conference is next week. One of the highlights is a panel with legislators involved in public behavioral health.

Federal Legislature: The government is funded through November 17<sup>th</sup> and there is currently no Speaker of the House. There is a proposal to expand the authority of the Speaker Pro Tempore due to the concerns with being able to fund efforts with Ukraine, Israel, the border, etc. A Federal shutdown would not immediately shut down any of the public behavioral health services.

## 11. Any Other Business to Properly Come Before the Board

Chairperson Curtiss reminded the Board of the November 17<sup>th</sup> Board Retreat in Lapeer. She and Mr. Johnson will be meeting prior to that date to determine if a Board meeting will also be required on that date.

Chairperson Curtiss would like to meet with the Executive Board Committee immediately following this meeting.

Additional discussion took place regarding eligibility of access to services and referrals within the region.



**12. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board**

None

**13. Adjournment** (Action Item)

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Curtiss adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed and approved,

Robin Kalbfleisch,  
Recording Secretary

Region 10 PIHP Board  
Secretary / Designee