

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
September 23, 2016, 10:00 am-12:00 pm  
64 New York Ave Room 320  
Conference Line 1866-803-2312 Participant Code: 27325876**

**A. Call to Order Chair, Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Behavioral Health Council (DBH BHC)**

**B. Behavioral Health Council Member Participants**

- In-person
- Telephone
  - Update on Director and Senior Deputy Director
    - Reported they will be present at the November meeting
    - Planned on attending but in an all-day planning session today

**C. DBH BHC Review and Approval of July 22, 2016 Minutes**

**D. Behavioral Health Council Committee Reports**

- Program, Data and Policy Committee- works with the DBH staff on programmatic and policy issues that affect the mental health and substance use disorder service system.
- Advocacy Committee- provides education, information, and support to efforts related to the prevention and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders.
- Block Grant Committee-works closely with the DBH Block Grant staff to develop the biennial plan and annual reports that are submitted to SAMHSA.
- Ad Hoc By-Laws Committee - the DBH Behavioral Health Council (BHC) By-Laws are pending review with recommended changes submitted to the BHC for approval. One issue is whether there should be limits on call-in meeting participation.

**E. Old Business**

- a. **Technical Assistance DBH/BHC Data Needs Report; Dr. Juanita Reaves**
  - i. **Review Findings and Suggestions**

**F. New Business**

- a. **DBH Let Help In Campaign (15 Minutes)**  
**Presenter: Thomas Houston III, *Social Marketing Specialist***  
**Child & Youth Services Division, System of Care Grant**

**G. Announcements**

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**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COUNCIL MEETING Minutes  
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**July 22, 2016, 10:30 am- 12:30 pm**

**Call to Order Chair, Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)/Behavioral Health Council (DBH/BHC)**

This was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Department of Behavior Health/Behavioral Health Council (DBH/BHC). It was called to order by the Chair, Senora Simpson, at approximately 10:45 a.m. and ended at 12:00 noon.

**Meeting Participants**

**The in-person participants included:** Senora Simpson, Cheryl Doby-Copeland, Jennider Lav, Trina Dutta, Donna Flenory, Agnes Venson, Yuliana DelArroyo, Timothy Robinson, Nicole Jenny, Jocelyn Route and Juanita Reaves.

**Dial-in participants included:** Cheryl Hampton, Effie Smith

- A quorum was available therefore the meeting continued.
- Agenda reviewed and approved with no additions
- Meeting Minutes from June 24, 2016 reviewed and approved with corrections
  - Audio File of Meeting Minutes was uploaded to Open.gov on 9-20-2016

**Minutes**

- **Committee Reports**
- **Program, Data and Policy Committee** (Agnes Venson, Chair)
  - Met July 15, 2016. Met with DBH Policy Analyst Kerri Nash. Discussed policy process and stakeholders input.
  - Invited to send an email to be included in process as a stakeholder.
  - Announced data reports should be sent to Dr. Reaves
  - On July 18, 2016 attended webinar
  - Plans to attend Data Needs presentation from SAMHSA Technical Assistance July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Request of NWD to present at next meeting
  - Report on DC Healthy Communities Collaborative

- Unity is a part of the community: Julie from Unity will arrange a presentation
- DC Health Matters.org: DC mental Health Needs assessment

**[http://www.dchealthmatters.org/content/sites/washingtondc/2016\\_DC\\_CHNA\\_062416\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.dchealthmatters.org/content/sites/washingtondc/2016_DC_CHNA_062416_FINAL.pdf)**

**Advocacy Committee** (Chery Doby-Copeland, Chair) – No update.

**Block Grant Committee** (Senora Simpson, Co-Chair)

- Reviewed process of Community Block Grant Awards

**Ad Hoc By-Laws Committee**

- Finalized By-law revisions
- Unanimous Vote approving By-laws

**Secretary Appointment**

- Mimi Gardner

**DBH/BHC Data Needs Survey**

Technical Assistance DBH/BHC Data Needs Presentation  
July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Meeting adjourned 11:45 am**