Governor’s Behavioral Health Services Planning Council Subcommittee’s
Prevention Sub-Committee
Liaison Mende Barnett

January 11-17-18
The subcommittee is comprised of eleven members from a variety of backgrounds including substance abuse prevention, mental health promotion, suicide prevention and problem gambling prevention. This newly established committee has been focused on establishing a comprehensive charter and assessment processes to identify prevention efforts. The committee has made progress collaborating with the other committees and establishing how to integrate prevention efforts. The committee continues to review data points related to behavioral health prevention and identify potential data gaps. Continued work has been made on the statewide plan to address behavioral health prevention including the completion of guiding principles and values.

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The committee has continuously made progress working toward completing the statewide prevention plan. We are in the final phase of completing the draft. After this month’s meeting we will have met with all GBHSPC Sub-Committees and their representatives working toward collaborated efforts and how to integrate prevention efforts. The committee continues to review data points related to behavioral health prevention and identify potential data gaps. We are also in the process of revising our charter and obtaining a new Chair person.

The Justice Involved Youth and Adults Subcommittee
Liaison Charley Bartlett

January 17, 2018
The subcommittee continues to review the progress on the implementation of SB 367, the Juvenile Justice reform law currently being implemented by KDOC/JJA. The Subcommittee is also keeping their attention on the Legislative Post Audit centered around behavioral health and jails, and how to bring those services into the jails, also how to divert and what is needed to provide post jail. They are looking for a report to be published.

The group continues to support suspension and reinstatement of Medicaid upon release from incarceration continues to be discussed, and a bill for pentation by three members is under review. The group continues to focus on behavioral health and jails – how to bring those services into the jails but also how to divert and then what is needed to provide services post jail. The subcommittee members agree that establishing a priority related to children/youth around the prevalence of Mental Health for justice involved youth and those in detention is a goal.
The group is also reviewing membership and how to proceed with workgroups and setting priorities for the year.

May 16, 2018 JIYA
The Justice Involved youth and Adults Subcommittee provided its annual report to the Secretaries this Quarter. The subcommittee discussed the completion of initiatives and the coming focus to be looking at services related to juveniles. In the coming year the Subcommittee will initiate practice of reviewing the report (recommendations and priorities) at each quarterly meeting as a way of staying focused and responsive to changing needs and priorities. With the ability to continuously update it throughout the year then it is more of a living document that could be submitted at any time and demonstrate what has/is being accomplished and what our current priorities are. In the Current meetings have been looking at membership changes needed and assuring that representation of the subject matter of the other subcommittees are incorporated into membership as they relate to the justice population. Meetings have received reports on the implementation of SB367 (Juvenile Justice Reform) legislation related to Medicaid Suspension. The group will be reviewing Legislative Post Audit which has been released which is centered around behavioral health and jails – how to bring those services into the jails but also how to divert and then what is needed to provide post jail services.

Housing & Homeless
Liaison Korrie Snell
January 17, 2018
On December 13th, 2017, the Housing and Homelessness Subcommittee presented their annual report and recommendation to Secretary Keck and BHS Commission leadership. The presenting subcommittee members were directed to create a workgroup to develop a supportive housing pilot project proposal, to serve homeless individuals in our state. Since then, they developed a charter, invited stakeholders to the workgroup, and held the first workgroup meeting on January 2nd, 2018. Following the first meeting, members researched current resources and resource gaps in the state as well as existing state housing projects to learn from their successes and challenges. The group will reconvene on January 16th to discuss the research and write the first draft of the proposal.

On January 10th, Secretary Keck met with BHS Commission leadership and determined the subcommittee should grow the workgroup, and continue to meet after the completion of the pilot proposal to focus on housing. Additional workgroup members are being identified now and will be invited in the near future.
May 16, 2018 H&H

Since January, a workgroup of the Housing and Homelessness Subcommittee wrote and presented a Housing Pilot Proposal. This pilot will likely be implemented in FY2019. A one-time use housing pilot for FY2018 is in the works to prepare the system for the larger 2019 pilot. The chair of the Housing and Homelessness Subcommittee has invited new members to the committee to grow membership. Additionally, the committee is working to move meeting locations around the state, and meet in several locations at once, connected via conference line, to meet the needs of rural membership. The next meeting will take place on May 18th.

**Rural & Frontier Subcommittee**

**Liaison Chris Bush**

January 17, 2018

The subcommittee wrapped up 2017 continuing discussion around Bill 19-20 & HB 2206 Testimony. Some of the from the testimony highlighted was that that access to behavioral health services is not equal in rural and frontier areas. In addition, committee reviewed telehealth systems... Telehealth is an umbrella term and Telemedicine is about delivery of services. Furthermore, the committed discussed how Bill 19-20 seems to have more related factors to rural frontier. The subcommittee continue efforts to pursue to bridge the gap for services to promote accessibility and availability of mental health services in frontier and rural Kansas counties.

May 16, 2018

High Plains will host Rural Behavioral Health Conference- Partner/Group Webcast Invitation to partner for 10th Annual Rural Behavioral Health Conference on Friday, Oct. 5.

BSRB will not take a position on supervision via telehealth. Board’s role is to implement laws passed. Need to address through House and Welfare Committee.

Telehealth Survey Currently in planning stage and looking at funding opportunities. Survey’s will capture feedback from consumer, providers, and primary care providers. Considering adding behavioral health providers in private practice to see if they are serving individual in rural communities

**Kansas Citizens Council on Alcohol and Drugs (KCC)**

**Liaison Kimberly Reynolds**

January 17, 2018
The KCC is working to increase their membership so that all the individual groups required by statute to be represented are included; at the May 9th meeting, four more new members were added. The torch was passed to Kayla Waters, the new chair of the subcommittee, and the rest of the executive committee was elected as well: Krista Machado was chosen as the chair-elect, and Nancy Jo Kepple was voted in as reporter. The group worked on drafting their 2018 annual report, as well as choosing areas they would like to get more information on for the next year, including things like Oxford Houses, Human Trafficking, and what data is available and how it can be used to improve the system. They also discussed the last State Quality Committee and how to keep that going moving forward, despite hiccups in the process that occurred with the departure of Kim Reynolds. They also plan to come up with ideas between now and the next meeting in July to use funds Secretary Keck mentioned were available.

Children’s Subcommittee Report
Liaison Linda Blasi/ Gary Henault

January 17, 2018
The children’s sub-committee is attending to adding a full array of representation from all aspects of children’s treatment and resources to the subcommittee. Selected committee members have been appointed to bring forward progress of other sub-committees to provide overall integration for children’s services. The subcommittee supports the children’s continuum of care work group process co-chaired by Nancy Crago, chair of the Children’s Subcommittee. Focus and discussion is ongoing as to how to address the need for a statewide data system. They have begun with an examination of pilot’s which have been constructed for KDHE.
Discussion continues around transition issues, parent engagement, school mental health, early childhood mental health services, capacity, and integration.

May 16, 2018 Children’s
The Children’s subcommittee continues to meet bi-monthly iterating restoration of University contract data collection with trending analysis of Ohio scales and CMHC outcomes for the children’s mental health system. While supporting an increase in PRTF bed capacity, they additionally promote and suggest incentivizing in-Home Family Therapy and transition planning to better encourage and facilitate family engagement.

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Employment Subcommittee Report
Liaison Melissa Bogart-Starkey

January 17, 2018
The Employment subcommittee continues to look at expanding of current membership and ways to collaborate with the Governors Employment First workgroup, so we are working in tandem and not in isolation. The GBHSPC presented to Secretary Keck on July 25th, 2017. Members of the Governor’s Behavioral Health subcommittee in partnership with the Governors Employment First workgroup also participated in a sit-down collaborative session with Lieutenant Governor Jeff Collier on August 31st and October 18th, to look at ways of expanding workforce programming for disabled persons who would like to join the workforce.

Members of the Employment Sub-Committee also met with SAMHSA leadership Bill Hudock in September to hear a presentation on employment initiatives across the US and will continue to receive technical assistance from SAMHSA through 2019, on ways to integrate Individual Placement and Support as “the standard model of care” for persons with behavioral health diagnosis in Kansas. The Employment First sub-committee will meet again Jan. 31st, 2018 and the focus will be on current members and a letter will be drafted to invite new members to participate.

May 16, 2018
The Employment subcommittee continues to look at expanding its current membership and improve collaboration with Behavioral Health Providers, Stakeholders, Peers, and Family Members. Collaborative efforts with the Governors Employment First workgroup began in
2017 to ensure that our objectives are aligning so the workgroup is not making recommendations in isolation. The GBHSPC presented to Secretary Keck on July 25th, 2017. The committee will continue to work with the KDADS administration surrounding the Training and Fidelity Review process. KDADS and the committee are currently working together to ensure that this process is back in place to promote proper delivery of Evidenced Based Programming.

Veterans Subcommittee

Liaison Ron Jeanneret

January 17, 2018

This subcommittee reactivated in June of 2017. It is comprised of the Chair, Co-chair and currently 13 members from across the state. The state is divided into five regions with a designated mental health facility as the lead in that region. Subcommittee members received training from SAMSHA technical assistance program for strategic planning in September 2017. From that training the committee established goals to identify quality resources for veterans, their families and children across the state. The committee presented these goals to Secretary Keck in December 2017. Secretary Keck was very supportive of the subcommittee goals. Our first committee meeting will be late January or early February to begin work towards our goals.

May 16, 2018  Veterans

This subcommittee is comprised of the chair, co-chair and currently 17 members from across the state. The state is divided into five regions with a designated mental health facility as the lead in that region. The group has decided to meet quarterly, and we have had two meetings. One goal the group is focusing on is identifying services for veterans, their children and families across the state. The VA focuses on veterans but what state, local and other community agencies can help their families. Those are the resources the group is trying to identify in the different regions of the state. The group will identify how many veterans and children live where? What services and supports do they need? Which agencies can provide those services working across boundaries. Once this information is comprised the group can add it to current existing websites and different social media platforms for state wide coverage. Another goal the group is working on is identifying military culture training site’s for CMHC’s. During the last meeting Psych Armor was mentioned as a good resource at no cost for this training. Our next meeting will be in June/July and the group will discuss if we need more frequent meetings than quarterly.