



NORTH SOUND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2021

Board of Directors Members present:

- Jill Johnson, County Commissioner; Island County, Board Chair
- Peter Browning, County Commissioner; Skagit County
- Anne Deacon, Human Services Manager, Whatcom County; designated alternate for Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive
- Cammy Hart-Anderson, Snohomish County Human Services; designated alternate for Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive
- Darcy Cheesman, Legislative Aid, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Sam Low, Snohomish County Council Member
- Cindy Wolf, County Council Member; San Juan County
- Heidi Beazizo, Sr. Legislative Analyst, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Jared Mead, Snohomish County Council
- Duncan West, Chair; North Sound BH-ASO Advisory Board Chair
- Nicole Gorle, Legislative Analyst, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Nate Nehring, Snohomish County Council
- Sarah Hinman, Skagit County Public Health; designated alternate for Peter Browning
- Rud Browne, County Council Member; Whatcom County
- Arlene Feld, Vice-Chair; North Sound BH-ASO Advisory Board

North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (ASO) staff present:

- Joe Valentine, Executive Director; North Sound BH-ASO
- Margaret Rojas, Assistant Director; North Sound BH-ASO
- Darrell Heiner, Accounting Specialist; North Sound BH-ASO
- Joanie Williams, Clerk of the Board; North Sound BH-ASO

Guests present:

No guests were present.

Call to Order and Introductions – Chair Johnson

The Chair called the meeting to order, and the Clerk of the Board read the names of the attendees that were present via GoToMeeting.

Revisions to the Agenda – Chair

The Chair asked if there were any revisions to the agenda. There were none.

Approval of the May 13th, 2021, Minutes, Motion #21-25— Chair Johnson

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Anne Deacon seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-25 carried.

Comments & Announcements from the Chair

There were no comments or announcements from the Chair.

Reports from Members

- Anne/Whatcom: New legislation regarding law enforcement and behavioral health crises is causing much concern. 911 versus law enforcement, safety versus crisis responders prompted many questions as well.
- Cammy/Snohomish: July 1st the new substance use treatment center is opening. There will be a virtual open house prior.
 - The Department of Health will be conducting an on-site audit soon. It appears COVID restrictions are lifting.
- Peter/Skagit: The new homeless center will be opening soon.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Report from the Advisory Board

Duncan West, North Sound BH-ASO Advisory Board Chair, gave the report from the Advisory Board.

Report from the Executive Director

- Board Member Conflict of Interest (Annual Attestation)
- FY2021-2023 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY AND BUDGET INITIATIVES
- FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATIONS
- WORKFORCE SHORTAGES- Update
- CRISIS SERVICES
- PROGRAM INTEGRITY PLAN

Joe Valentine gave the Report from the Executive Director and referenced the relative attachments.

He answered questions from Board Members. When addressing attachment #4 (Ideas for Use of New Federal Block Grant Dollars) the Chair suggested that the workforce development gaps be addressed.

Report from the Finance Officer

Joe Valentine gave the Report from the Finance Officer. He answered question from the Board Members.

Report from the Governance Operations Committee

All matters listed with the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each Member for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one action of the Executive Committee with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request of a member.

Consent Agenda**Motion #21-26**

- To review and approve the North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization claims paid from May 1st, 2021, through May 31st, 2021, in the amount of \$1,484,484.95.
Payroll for the month of May in the amount of \$151,449.24 and associated employer benefits in the amount of \$60,272.18.

Peter Browning moved the motion for approval, Cindy Wolf seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-26 carried.

Action Items**For Board Approval****The contracts being submitted for approval this month fall into four distinct categories:**

- Two Health Care Authority contracts: one providing ASO funding for all categories of funding listed below, and a HCA contract for COVID-19 Emergency Grant funding.
- Downstream contracts for General Fund-State (GF-S) Mandatory Services (Crisis Outreach, Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Services, ITA inpatient, Secure Withdrawal Management, Proviso Funding)
- Downstream contracts for Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) Priority Services (Pregnant & Parenting Women Housing Services (PPW), Individuals using Intravenous Drugs (IUID) Opiate Outreach)
- Downstream contracts for GF-S/SABG/Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Services within Available Resources (Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Outpatient, SUD Residential, Triage Services)

The downstream contracts follow the HCA contracts. The funding for the downstream contracts is included in the same amendment, which is why you will see the same numbered amendment under a different category of funding. The funding allocations for the downstream contracts will be developed over the next month.

Health Care Authority

- K-4949 is providing the funding for the period of July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.
- K-4755 is providing additional funding in the amount of \$229,000 for the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Motion #21-27

- HCA-NS BH-ASO-K-4949-Amendment 1 providing the ASO GF-S funding for the period of July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, and Federal Block Grant funding for the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
- HCA-NS BH-ASO-K-4755-Amendment 1 providing the ASO GF-S funding for the period of July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

Peter Browning moved the motion for approval, Cammy Hart-Anderson seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-27 carried.

GF-S Mandatory Services

The following contracts are providing mandatory behavioral health services.

- Compass Health
 - Crisis Outreach, ITA services, Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT), Evaluation and Treatment Services, Discharge Planners
- Snohomish County
 - Crisis Outreach, ITA services
 - Proviso Funding-Jail Transition Services, Designated Marijuana Account, Trueblood Funds
- Volunteers of America
 - Toll Free Crisis Line
- Telecare
 - Evaluation and Treatment Services, Discharge Planners, Peer Bridgers Program
- American Behavioral Health Services (ABHS)
 - Secure Withdrawal Management
- Community Action of Skagit County (CASC)
 - Ombuds Services
- Sea Mar
 - Assisted Outpatient Treatment
- Lifeline Connections
 - PACT
 - HARPS
- Snohomish County Superior Court
 - Juvenile Treatment Services
- Island County
 - Proviso Funding-Jail Transition Services, Trueblood Funds, Designated Marijuana Account (DMA), HARPS subsidies
- San Juan County
 - Proviso Funding-Jail Transition Services, Designated Marijuana Account & HARPS subsidies
- Skagit County
 - Proviso Funding-Jail Transition Services, Designated Marijuana Account, Trueblood Funds
- Whatcom County
 - Proviso Funding-Jail Transition Services, Designated Marijuana Account, Trueblood Funds, Whatcom Triage Diversion, Whatcom County School Treatment Services

Motion #21-28

- NS BH-ASO-Compass Health-ICCN-19-22 Amendment 6 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Snohomish County-ICCN-19-22 Amendment 3 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.

- NS BH-ASO-VOA-ICCN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Telecare-ICCN-19-22 Amendment 2 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-ABHS-ICN-19-22 Amendment 1 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-CASC-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Sea Mar-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Lifeline Connections-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Snohomish County Superior Court-ICN-19-22 Amendment 2 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Island County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 7 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-San Juan County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Skagit County-Interlocal-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Whatcom County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 7 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.

Rud Browne moved the motion for approval, Peter Browning seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-28 carried.

Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) Priority Services

The following contracts are providing SABG priority Services:

- Brigid Collins
 - Pregnant and Parenting Women (PPW) Housing Support Services
- Evergreen Recovery Centers
 - PPW Housing Support Services
- Catholic Community Services
 - PPW Housing Support Services
- Therapeutic Health Services
 - Medication Assisted Treatment
- Island County
 - Opiate Outreach
- Community Action of Skagit County
 - Opiate Outreach
- Snohomish County
 - Opiate Outreach
- Whatcom County
 - Opiate Outreach

Motion #21-29

- NS BH-ASO-Brigid Collins-ICN-19-22 Amendment 3 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-ERC-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-CCS NW-ICN-19-22 Amendment 3 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-THS-ICN-19-22 Amendment 2 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Island County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 7 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-CASC-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Snohomish County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 2 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Whatcom County-ICN-19-22 Amendment 7 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.

Rud Browne moved the motion for approval, Darcy Cheesman seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-29 carried.

GF-S/SABG Services within Available Resources

- Compass Health
 - SUD outpatient services in San Juan County
 - Snohomish & Whatcom County Triage Services
- Evergreen Recovery Centers
 - Withdrawal Management Services
- Lifeline Connections
 - SUD Outpatient services
- Lake Whatcom Center
 - PACT
 - Mental Health outpatient services
 - Substance Use outpatient services
- Pioneer Human Services
 - Skagit & Whatcom withdrawal management services
 - SUD residential services
- Sea Mar
 - Mental health outpatient services
 - Substance use outpatient services
 - SUD residential services

Motion #21-30

- NS BH-ASO-Compass Health-ICCN-19-22 Amendment 6 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-ERC-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Lifeline Connections-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-LWC-ICN-19-22 Amendment 2 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-PHS-ICN-19-22 Amendment 6 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.
- NS BH-ASO-Sea Mar-ICN-19-22 Amendment 4 to provide the funding to continue services under this contract. The new contract term is July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.

Rud Browne moved the motion for approval, Cindy Wolf seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-30 carried.

Professional Service Contract

Summary

The COVID-19 Emergency Grant contract with Lake Whatcom Center (LWC) is for services to individuals/families affected by COVID-19, specifically communities of color and essential workers. This is a continuation of the current contract.

Motion #21-31

- NS BH-ASO-LWC-COVID 19-PSC-20-22 Amendment 1 to provide ongoing services to individuals and/or families affected by COVID-19. The additional funding for the next 12 months is \$229,000 for a maximum consideration of \$262,500 for a term of the contract is extended by 12 months for a new end date of June 30, 2022.

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Peter Browning seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-31 carried.

North Sound BH-ASO Full Time Employee (FTE)

Summary

The 2021 legislative session has recognized the growing need for additional behavioral health programs by bringing innovative programs to our communities. One such program is the regional Recovery Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Navigators; this program requires a dedicated staff member at the ASO to develop and oversee the program. The dedicated staff will need to be in place on July 1, 2021. North Sound BH-ASO is requesting approval of one FTE to manage the program.

Motion #21-32

- Approve one FTE Quality Specialist position to develop and oversee the SUD Recovery Navigator program in the North Sound Region.

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Peter Browning seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, Motion #21-32 carried.

Adjourn: 2:40 p.m.

Next meeting: August 12th, 2021 (No Meeting in July)

The Chair noted there is no meeting in July.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joanie Williams
Clerk of the Board