

**BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

**January 22, 2016**

**Department of Mental Health  
And Substance Abuse Services  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

Board members present:

Brent Bell, D.O., Chair  
Stewart Beasley, Ph.D.  
Brian Bush  
Joel Carson  
Bruce Fisher  
Gail Henderson, M.Ed.  
MaryAnne McCaffree, M.D.  
Paul Pierce, M.D.  
Major Ed Pulido  
Andy Sullivan, M.D.  
Ronna Vanderslice, Ed.D.

Others present:

Commissioner, Terri White, ODMHSAS	Stacy Ramsy, Perceptions Counseling and Consulting
Durand Crosby, ODMHSAS	Cody Graves, Shamrock Counseling Services, L.L.P.
Carrie Slatton-Hodges, ODMHSAS	Bernice Walker, SCS
Angie Patterson, ODMHSAS	Chris Taylor, Therapeutic Life Choices
Gretchen Geis, ODMHSAS	Michael Doyle, House of Hope
Dewayne Moore, ODMHSAS	Paula Kay Jones, Red Rock
Jeff Dismukes, ODMHSAS	Awana Rayfield, Life Solutions Wellness Group
Stephanie Gay, ODMHSAS	Harold Rayfield, Life Solutions Wellness Group
Joey Mickey, ODMHSAS	Edward M., Oklahoma Neuropsychiatric Institute
Jason Maddox, ODMHSAS	Cynthia Santos, e-Capitol
Carol Ladd, ODMHSAS	Jill Amos, ODMHSAS
Rich Edwards, ODMHSAS	Grant Muse, Hope Community Services, Inc.
Stephanie Isaac, ODMHSAS	Kelle Gichuki, YCO
Nisha Wilson, ODMHSAS	Dawn Downs, YCO
Amanda Jett, ODMHSAS	
Michaelle Statham, ODMHSAS	
Randy Honeycutt, ODMHSAS	
Nadine Tuggle, ODMHSAS	
Denise Wilson, ORALA	

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Bell called the meeting to order and declared a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 20, 2015, BOARD MEETING**

Mr. Carson moved to approve the November 20, 2015, minutes. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Abstain

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROGRAM CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Stephanie Gay, Director, Provider Certification, presented the programs recommended for approval.

Ms. Gay stated that these are the certification reviews for providers who applied for certification *before* the rule changes that went into effect on October 1, 2014.

**Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Deep Thoughts and Wellness Center, L.L.C., Del City; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Enid; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Hobart; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Stillwater, Skiatook; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Talihina; Perceptions Counseling and Consulting, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Preferred Family Healthcare, Inc. dba Dayspring Community Services, Afton; Preferred Family Healthcare, Inc. dba Dayspring Community Services, Cushing; and Preferred Family Healthcare, Inc. dba Dayspring Community Services, Ponca City.

Dr. Pierce moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**B. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: House of Hope, Inc., Grove.

Dr. Vanderslice moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced program. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**C. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Gillispie Family Ministries, Inc. dba Gillispie Counseling Services, Duncan; and Hearts of Hope, L.L.C., Edmond.

Ms. Henderson moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**D. One-Year Certification**

One-year certification was recommended for: Center for Psychological Development, Inc., Durant, Atoka, Coalgate; and CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Claremore, Bartlesville.

Ms. Henderson moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**Outpatient Mental Health Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Abundant Life Today Services, L.L.C., Guthrie; Life Solutions Wellness Group, P.L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Perceptions Counseling and Consulting, L.L.C., Oklahoma City; Shamrock Counseling Services, L.L.P., Enid; and Therapeutic Life Choices, Tohi Usti Gununv Edasdi, L.L.C., Tulsa.

Dr. Pierce moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-

referenced programs. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**B. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Clear View Professional Counseling, Inc., Oklahoma City; YCO OKC, Inc., Oklahoma City; and YCO Tulsa, Inc., El Reno.

Dr. Pierce moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

Dr. Bell recognized the above agencies for being 100% compliant on all standards and are eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

**C. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Byte & Associates, L.L.C., Chickasha; Courage Counseling Center, L.L.C., Edmond; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., McAlester; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Oklahoma City, Shawnee; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Poteau; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Stillwater; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Tulsa, Pawnee; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Enid; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Hobart; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Norman; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Stillwater, Skiatook; Millennium Community Services, L.L.C., Talihina, Poteau, Whitesboro; Renegade Counseling, P.L.L.C., Muldrow; YCO OKC, Inc., Ada, Wewoka; YCO OKC, Inc., Atoka, McAlester; YCO OKC, Inc., Chickasha; YCO OKC, Inc., Clinton, Cordell, Elk City, Watonga, Weatherford; YCO OKC, Inc., Mangum; YCO OKC, Inc., Tishomingo, Durant, Sulphur, Madill, Ardmore; YCO Tulsa, Inc., El Reno (Behavioral health home services); YCO Tulsa, Inc., Grove, Miami, Pryor, Chouteau; and YCO Tulsa, Inc., Tulsa, Chelsea, Collinsville, Wagoner.

Dr. Sullivan moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**D. One-Year Certification**

One-year certification was recommended for: Associated Therapeutic Services, P.C., Enid, Kingfisher, Ponca City, Hennessey; Melton Health and Medical Services, P.C. dba Oklahoma Neuropsychiatric Institute, Broken Arrow; NCC Partners, L.L.C. dba Norman Counseling Clinic, Norman; Western Plains Youth and Family Services, Inc., Woodward, Guymon, Laverne (Mental Health Services); and Western Plains Youth and Family Services, Inc., Woodward, Guymon, Laverne (Behavioral Health Home Services).

Mr. Fisher moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**Programs of Assertive Community Treatment**

**A. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: OU Impact, Tulsa.

Dr. Pierce moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

**B. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Oklahoma Mental Health Council, Inc. dba Red Rock Behavioral Health Services, Oklahoma City.

Ms. Henderson moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Ms. Henderson	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes

Dr. McCaffree arrived at 9:15 a.m.

**Community Mental Health Center Programs**

**A. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Counseling & Recovery Services of Oklahoma, Inc., Tulsa, Sand Springs; CREOKS Mental Health Services, Inc., Okmulgee, Okemah, Sapulpa, Tahlequah, Wagoner, Stilwell, Sallisaw; Hope Community Services, Inc., Oklahoma City; Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma, Inc., Ardmore, Ada, Durant, Pauls Valley, Seminole, Tishomingo, Lindsay; and Oklahoma Mental Health Council, Inc. dba Red Rock Behavioral Health Services, Oklahoma City, Chandler, Chickasha, Clinton, Elk City, El Reno, Hobart, Shawnee, Kingfisher, Watonga, Yukon.

Ms. Henderson moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Sullivan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**B. One-Year Certification**

One-year certification was recommended for: Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center, Lawton, Altus, Duncan.

Dr. Vanderslice moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced program. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes

Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

Ms. Gay stated that these are the certification reviews for providers who applied for certification **after** the rule changes that went into effect on September 15, 2015.

**Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Premier Behavioral Health Counseling, L.L.C., Lawton.

Mr. Bush moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced program. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**B. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center, Lawton; and Jim Wallace & Associates, Inc. dba The Jetty Counseling Center, Wynnewood.

Dr. Vanderslice moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**Outpatient Mental Health Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Pathways of Oklahoma, Inc., Ada; and Pathways of Oklahoma, Inc., Durant, Madill.

Mr. Bush moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Major Pulido seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**Community Residential Mental Health Programs**

**A. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Burdine, Inc. dba New Beginning Residential Care Home, Red Bird; Chase E. Inc. dba 3C Old Fashion Boarding Home, Prague; Edna Lee's Room & Board, Inc. dba Edna Lee's Residential Care, Vinita; and Meadow Brook Residential Care Facility, L.L.C., Howe.

Dr. Pierce moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

Dr. Bell recognized Burdine, Inc. dba New Beginning Residential Care Home, Red Bird; Chase E. Inc. dba 3C Old Fashion Boarding Home, Prague; and Meadow Brook Residential Care Facility, L.L.C., Howe for being 100% compliant on all standards and are eligible to receive a refund of their certification fee.

Ms. Gay stated that included in the Board members' packet this month is a report prepared by the ODMHSAS attorney that handles administrative actions in relation to organizational certifications. She stated that their goal is to keep the Board members informed of the status of legal proceedings. Ms. Gay stated that items on the report that are pending or potential litigations would need to be in executive session if the Board wished to discuss further. She stated that the report was for informational purposes. She had nothing further to add to the report

## **DISCUSSION REGARDING REPORT FROM COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner White reviewed her report with the Board as follows:

Red Rock Behavioral Health Services – Children’s Outpatient Behavioral Health Open House – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that this was the grand re-opening of the facility after being remodeled. She stated that one of the highlights of this event was seeing how excited the staff was in regards to the design of the facility, the approach that was made to make children feel comfortable and safe and to have families feel welcomed.

Chris Reen, President and Publisher, The Oklahoman; The Oklahoman Editorial Board; Jaclyn Cosgrove, The Oklahoman; Chad Alexander, 1520 Radio Show; and Alex Cameron, Channel 9 News – Commissioner White stated that these were all media interviews.

Oklahoma City Rotary Club Meeting – (Introduction of Speaker Mike Brose, Executive Director, Mental Health Association of Oklahoma) – Commissioner White stated that Mr. Brose spoke at the Oklahoma City Rotary Club meeting and discussed how mental health affects the homeless.

Greater Oklahoma City Chamber Chamber Forum – (Speaker) – Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Task Force Meeting – Commissioner White stated that there has been a lot of dialog in regards to Oklahoma City needing a new jail and that some believe that that is not where the city needs to be spending their money. She stated that the jail has some significant issues that need to be addressed. She stated that the main issue is overcrowding, due to placing people in the jail that should not be there. Commissioner White stated that she is a member of the Oklahoma City Criminal Justice Task Force that was formed to look into the jail issues. The Greater Oklahoma City Chamber held a forum to discuss the jail issue and Commissioner White was asked to sit on the panel, along with Oklahoma County Sheriff John Whetsel, District Attorney David Prater and Kris Steel. She stated that the focus of the forum discussion was to discuss that the city needs to do right by the people of Oklahoma City and what is the right size jail for Oklahoma City; that would be decided after they reviewed and determined who needs to be in treatment and who actually needs to be in jail.

Oklahoma Sheriff’s Association Board Meeting – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that she was asked to speak at their board meeting and has since been asked to be a regular speaker at their meetings.

Jeff Bryant, Attorney, City of Norman; and Dan Bachelor, Center for Economic Development Law – Commissioner White stated that she and Durand Crosby had a meeting with these two attorneys in regards to the Norman land plan. She stated that there will be ongoing updates.

Chuck Lester, Chair, Oklahoma Prevention Policy Alliance; Bryan Kerr, President; Vance Gregory, Member and Bill Phelps, Member, Retail Liquor

Association of Oklahoma – Commissioner White stated that she, Mr. Lester and the Treatment Association had a productive meeting with the Retail Liquor Association regarding concerns and issues on how to address alcohol convenience versus the protection of public safety and health.

Stephens County Mental Health Meeting – Leadership Duncan Class XX Health Services Day – (Speaker) – Commissioner White stated that she speaks each year at the Leadership Duncan Class, and Stephens County Mental Health Coalition coincides their meeting with that class so that she is able to speak at both events. She stated that resources continue to be their biggest issue.

Michael Thompson, Cabinet Secretary for Safety and Security and Commissioner, Oklahoma Department of Public Safety; Gerald Davidson, Assistant Commissioner, Oklahoma Department of Public Safety; Colonel Rick Adams, Chief of Oklahoma Highway Patrol; Durand Crosby, Chief of Staff and Operations, ODMHSAS; Carrie Slatton-Hodges, Deputy Commissioner, Treatment and Recovery, ODMHSAS; Steven Buck, Deputy Commissioner, Communications and Prevention Services, ODMHSAS; and Tania Rosas-Woods, Law Enforcement Liaison, ODMHSAS; and Thomas Thomson, Access Specialist, Disaster Coordinator, ODMHSAS – Commissioner White stated that this meeting was part of an ongoing dialog with the Department of Public Safety surrounding disaster response.

Dr. McCaffree asked if the Department's disaster relief efforts such as those during the May 10, 2013, Moore tornado have been published and if not, stated that they need to be so that other communities can use it as a reference in a time of crisis. Commissioner White stated that to date they have not done a publication but will look into preparing one.

Dr. Bell asked if Dr. McCaffree was suggesting a research style study or more of a manual. Commissioner White stated that the Department's publication would be more on how the Department responded to the disaster and what we did.

Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) Budget Hearing – Oklahoma State Budget Hearing – Commissioner White stated that the Department had two budget hearings, along with a meeting with the Governor's office. She reported that the House Budget Hearing will be February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Senator Ron Sharp; Senator Stephanie Bice; Representative Earl Sears; Representative Lee Denney; and Senator Clark Jolley – Commissioner White stated that she had multiple meetings discussing budget and various bills that the Department is involved with.

Richard Smotherman, District Attorney, Oklahoma County District Attorney's Office – Commissioner White stated this is part of the ongoing work with law enforcement partners and district attorneys. She stated that she, along with

Durand Crosby and Carrie Slatton-Hodges have spent many hours working with D.A. Smotherman who is out of Potawatomie and Lincoln Counties. She stated that D.A. Smotherman has been a wonderful partner for the Department. She stated that Oklahoma currently has a law of not guilty by reason of insanity, and she explained that some states have guilty but mentally ill where individuals go to prison as opposed to going into treatment. She stated that they have been working together to determine what the law should be. She explained that the draft that was presented to the District Attorney's Council is different than what other states have done and that she believes the bill they came up with includes clinicians' input. She stated that the bill they devised leaves the majority of the guilty by reason of insanity statute intact but would address those with antisocial personality disorders.

Jim Marshall, Chief of Staff, Oklahoma Insurance Department – Commissioner White stated that Mr. Marshall is now with the Oklahoma Insurance Department but used to be with the Oklahoma Department of Labor's office as Chief of Staff under Commissioner Mark Costello. She stated that Mr. Marshall continues Commissioner Costello's work on discussing mental health issues and how it affects the labor force. She stated that Mr. Marshall contacted her to start discussing how the Insurance Department can help combat mental health and addiction.

ODMHSAS Board Retreat – Commissioner White thanked the Board members for taking the time to attend the retreat.

#### **DISCUSSION REGARDING REPORT FROM DURAND CROSBY**

Durand Crosby, Chief of Staff and Operations, stated that Commissioner White covered a lot of the topics that are in his report, but he wanted to let the Board members know that the hard budgetary decisions that Leadership has to make are then passed down to the Department staff. Staff has to work hard to undo contracts and encumbering the Department's money. He stated that the Department's carryover last year was \$1.88.

Dr. Crosby stated that all bills for legislation had to be submitted the day before and there are a little over 2,400 bills this year. He indicated that several of the Department's staff work hard to determine which ones to review, which ones contradict each other, which ones to push and which ones to fight. He stated that at the next Board meeting there will be a more in-depth report on what bills have been looked at and which they think will impact the Department. He also stated that if there are any bills the Board members would like the Department to monitor to let Commissioner know and they will make sure to do so. Commissioner White stated that there will be a link set up with the report and to be able to review the status of the bills they are tracking.

Mr. Crosby stated that the Children's Conference is in May and invited the Board members to attend. There will be speakers not only from Oklahoma but from around the country.

He invited the Board members to read the success stories in his report.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE**

The Corporate Accountability Committee met Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

Mr. Mickey presented the Advocate General's report to the committee.

Mr. Mickey had nothing further to add to his report.

The Corporate Accountability committee recommends that the Board accept the Advocate General's report.

The Inspector General's report was reviewed by the Committee.

Mr. Maddox reported that there were no changes to the Inspector General's report.

There were no further questions regarding the Inspector General's report.

The Corporate Accountability committee recommends that the Board accept the Inspector General's report.

There was no further business discussed.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE'S REPORT**

Mr. Carson stated that the Corporate Accountability committee recommends that the Board accept the Advocate General's report.

Mr. Carson moved to approve Advocate General's report. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT**

Mr. Carson made a motion to approve the Inspector General's report. Dr. Sullivan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**DISCUSSION AND REPORT FROM THE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

There was one presentation for the January meeting.

Mark Reynolds, Director, Decision Support Services and Savannah Kalman, Prevention Program Manager presented "Data Review of Suicide Related Deaths in Oklahoma."

Dr. Reynolds began by saying that in 2015 the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has shared death review reports with the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The information includes all death reviews completed, including accidental deaths, homicides, suicide related deaths, and deaths related to drug overdose. The information includes identifying information, such as date of birth/death and name. This allows the department to identify if the deceased is/was a recipient of services from ODMHSAS. A core goal of both federal suicide prevention grants awarded to the ODMHSAS is to *improve and expand suicide surveillance systems*; the increased access to ME data is evidence toward achieving this goal for both awards.

The presentation focused specifically on suicide related deaths in Oklahoma over the past year. During this time, over 750 persons have died from suicide, which is about two a day. The majority of deaths are due to self-inflicted gunshot wounds, followed by asphyxia and drug toxicity. Included in the presentation was a review by age categories, gender, race, county of residence and provider of last service. A brief video that can be used as a PSA was shown. The video showed the cities where the deaths occurred over the last year as well as relevant suicide statistics for Oklahoma. The video also provided the national, toll free number for those individuals who may wish to reach out for help.

Suicide surveillance data allows for specific strategies to be implemented, for example, data presented showing no difference in the top three means of death by suicide (gunshot wound, asphyxia, and drug toxicity) has prompted subsequent funding to communities to require means safety events once a

quarter. A means safety event could be the distribution of gun locks, the distribution of medication deactivation pouches, educational training on how to have a conversation with a client re: firearms/medication/room safety, or organizing medication/firearm take back days in partnership with local law enforcement. This is one of many examples of how suicide surveillance data is resulting in data informed practice. Two other examples were discussed in the meeting: ODMHSAS CMHCs receiving a 'dashboard' of suicide surveillance data so that they can see how many persons who have died by suicide received their last MH service at their facility, and the future use of Emergency Room suicide surveillance data that would include data on persons who seek treatment in the ER for suicide attempt injuries and are then discharged (no hospital stay).

Dr. Crosby reviewed the Critical Incident Report (CIR) and the background report with the group. He explained how the report is generated, how it's broken down and how the Department compares to the national averages. There were no questions regarding the report.

There was no further business discussed.

#### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CRITICAL INCIDENT REPORT**

Mr. Crosby stated that the Department provides a report of any incidents at its facilities and the report breaks down the critical incidents that have occurred since the last Board meeting. He stated that the Board members' packet includes a report with a brief explanation on some of the incidents.

Commissioner White stated that the topic of the Performance Improvement meeting was Suicide. She stated that the Anadarko community has gone through four suicides in less than three months, all of which were younger individuals, with the youngest being 11 years old. She wanted to assure the Board that the Department is in the area and has been working with the community. She stated that they are working on both the prevention side and have counselors on hand to help. She stated that in normal situations when something is going on you talk about it and the media covers it, but with suicide, most people don't know how to talk about it; and when the media broadcasts it, it can sometimes look like glorification of the person's life and this can cause a contagion effect. The Department has been very careful with the media to avoid this and has requested they speak with Jeff Dismukes, the Department's communications expert.

Dr. Vanderslice moved to approve the Critical Incident Report. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes

Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Finance Committee was called to order by Mr. Carson.

The Committee approved the minutes from the November 17, 2015, meeting.

Mr. Edwards presented the FY-16 finance report for the month ending December 2015. He presented the budget to actual comparison report as follows:

For FY-16 revenue collections are trending below projections by 1.4% \$6.1 million, the revenue is down below the projection due to the slow start of many new federal grants that were added in the second quarter of FY-16. Expenditures are trending under budget by 7% or \$33.7 million due to delays in encumbering funds while the department pursues a request for proposal for substance abuse services.

The year-to-date net variance for the agency is a positive 6% or \$27.5 million.

The Finance Committee recommended approval of the FY-16 December Financial Reports.

Mr. Edwards presented revision #2 to the FY-16 budget work program consisting mainly of increases to the budget for newly awarded federal grants. The revision totaled \$2 million.

The Finance Committee recommended approval of revision #2 to the FY-16 budget work program.

Mr. Edwards presented the State Auditor and Inspector's report for state fiscal year 2015. The report only had one finding which did not meet the definition of a significant deficiency. There was no other material or significant findings in the report.

The Commissioner presented the following cuts to the fiscal year 2016 budget work program to the finance committee:

<b>FY-16 Budget Cuts</b>	
<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount Cut</b>
Direct Cut to ODMHSAS (Administrative Costs, Personnel and Services)	\$ 4,400,000
Postpone the Expansion of New Mental Health Courts	1,500,000
Cut to Safety Net Services	1,300,000
LBHP Changes	1,200,000
Postpone the Expansion of Systems of Care	1,000,000
Prevention Services	400,000
<b>Total Cut</b>	<b>\$ 9,800,000</b>

The Commissioner announced that Rich Edwards was selected as the new Director of Finance for the agency.

The meeting was adjourned.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Rich Edwards had nothing to add to his report.

Mr. Carson moved to approve the Monthly Financial Report. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

**BUDGET REVISION #02**

Mr. Carson moved to approve the Budget Revision #02. Mr. Bush seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley	Yes	Dr. McCaffree	Yes
Dr. Bell	Yes	Dr. Pierce	Yes
Mr. Bush	Yes	Major Pulido	Yes
Mr. Carson	Yes	Dr. Sullivan	Yes
Mr. Fisher	Yes	Dr. Vanderslice	Yes
Ms. Henderson	Yes		

Commissioner White elaborated on the budget cuts and why the decision was made to cut certain areas. She stated that what's happening right now is there is a general revenue shortfall of funds in the state for the current fiscal year. The Legislature is not in session yet, and when a revenue shortfall occurs when they are out of session what is required to happen is an across the board cut to all agencies' general revenue funds. What that means is that some agencies get more general revenue than others and some agencies get funds allocated to them from other sources not just general revenue funds. She stated that the Department gets the majority of our funds from the general revenue fund and that when three percent of the funds are cut it comes from the majority of the Department's state funding. She explained that that three percent cut cost the Department \$9.8 million that the Department has to pull out of the current fiscal year's budget that is already budgeted to be spent between present day and June 30, 2016. She further stated that it is a three percent annual cut but must be compressed into six months which equals about a six percent cut each month for the rest of the fiscal year.

Commissioner White stated that they have presented the Department's proposal to the finance committee and explained the Department's philosophy to budget cuts. She explained that they start with administration cuts first, however, the Department has the smallest administration of any state agency; currently, 2.4 percent of the annual budget goes to administrative costs. She stated that because the Department's administrative budget is so low there is only so much that can be cut there. She explained that once that option has been exhausted, the next approach is to cut services where it will have the least impact possible. She stated the problem is that there are between 700,000 and 950,000 Oklahomans that need help every single day, and because the Department is so underfunded, it is only able to serve 195,000 consumers. She stated that the door to services is extremely narrow.

Commissioner White broke down the Department's cuts stating that besides the \$4.4 million in direct cuts to ODMHSAS, the Department has been trying to put aside money for additional mental health courts that are desperately needed. To date, they have set aside \$1.5 million, and instead of starting new programs, they're using that money towards the cuts.

She stated that the third cut is to Safety Net Services which means all contracted providers have a cap on how much they can bill the Department. Some providers use all of their funds and even provide services that they know they can't bill for and there are providers that have funds left in their contract. Commissioner White explained that those left over funds are moved over to pay the provider who has maxed out their contract. She stated that at the end of the year they usually have about \$12 million in services the Department can't pay. She stated that this year some of the money left in the contracts will go towards the budget cuts, as opposed to providers with pended services, which amounts to \$1.3 million.

Commissioner White stated that the new Health Home program has picked up some of the children's billing that Systems of Care previously had to pay. The Department was going to expand the Systems of Care program, however, that \$1 million will go towards the budget cut as well.

Commissioner White stated that prevention services will be cut by \$400,000.

Commissioner White explained the reason behind the \$1.2 million cut to the Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioners (LBHP). She stated that any cut is a bad cut but this was harder because it affects kids. She stated that, in the end, the Department's commitment is to serve those who are most ill, since we can't serve everyone in need. She explained that they looked at the acuity of the children in our system, and what the data showed was that the children who are the most ill are being served primarily by contracted agencies where they can get the most services. Therefore, the Department has decided to end our contracts with individual licensed clinicians which will generate about \$2.2 million in savings over the next four months. Commissioner White stated that out of that \$2.2 million they expect about \$1 million of that will be needed to cover the costs for those children who begin services with a contracted agency. The Department does not believe all of those that will lose service due to the cut will seek services at one of the contracted providers.

Commissioner White explained that the LBHP cuts have to be approved by the Healthcare Authority because those services are provided by Medicaid. She explained that the Behavioral Health committee met two weeks prior and voted unanimously to approve the cuts after looking at all the options. It then went to the Medical Advisory Council (MAC) yesterday, and there were three hours of public comments both for and against the cuts. She stated that the MAC Board was split 10/10.

Commissioner White stated that there will likely be another revenue shortfall this year and that budgets for the next fiscal year will be cut. From this point forward, every new cut will be worse than what they are recommending now.

Dr. McCaffree asked if there is a possibility of an 1115 waiver which is a waiver for Medicaid. Commissioner White stated that what they are currently working on is the possibility of an 1115(i) waiver and it relates to Medicaid. She stated that what they are trying to accomplish with the 1115(i) waiver is to move some of those individuals whose addiction services are paid for by state funds over to the 1115(i) waiver which was created in 2007. They would be able to pull in federal dollars to cover those services. She stated that they are currently working on it, and the initial reception has been good; however, there is also much confusion because it has nothing to do with Medicaid expansion or the Affordable Care Act.

Dr. McCaffree commented on the Department of Human Services' Voluntary Buyout (VOBO) and the impact it was going to have on other agencies. Commissioner White stated that the Department did a VOBO in 2010. She stated that it works if what you need is long-term savings and you can leave that position vacant. She stated that the problem with the Department doing a VOBO is they have gone from 2,200 employees in 2007 to currently having 1,700 employees. She stated that if the Department does this, then Oklahomans will lose services because they are not replacing the individual that provided that service.

Major Pulido left at 11:00 a.m.

### **PRESENTATION**

Commissioner White spoke about the presentation she gives to the Legislature. She spoke about the mental illness and addiction crisis in Oklahoma. She stated that it will require significant support from the public and the Legislature to overcome decades of underfunding. She went into more detail on how the three percent cut affects the Department and the services provided to Oklahomans.

### **PRESENTATION**

Commissioner White introduced Paula Jones as follows:

"Paula Jones is a good example of someone willing to do the work it takes to grow and make personal change! She has been willing to face her struggles and obstacles and take an honest look at herself as she has walked out of substance abuse and into recovery. She will likely tell you it wasn't easy at first. She was confused, lost, and discouraged. Staff have seen her hesitantly step into therapy and support groups, but then rapidly embrace the opportunity to have a strong support system and take advantage of the inner work of overcoming past negative beliefs, taking responsibility for past actions, and holding on to her love of her children as an anchor that sustains her. She has been open to self-reflection and embracing her vulnerability which in turn has allowed her to tap deeper into her inner strength. She is not afraid to be real – and express when she is feeling her burdens as well as when she is celebrating her successes. It is this willingness to be authentic, coupled with the support of the MH Court program that has made for successful and evident progress in less than a year."

Ms. Jones presented her story of recovery to the Board.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. McCaffree moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Pierce seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Dr. Beasley Yes  
Dr. Bell Yes  
Mr. Bush Yes  
Mr. Carson Yes  
Mr. Fisher Yes

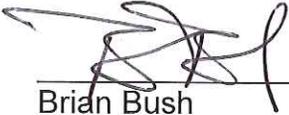
Ms. Henderson Yes  
Dr. Pierce Yes  
Dr. Sullivan Yes  
Dr. Vanderslice Yes

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

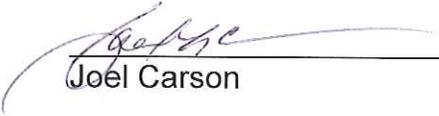
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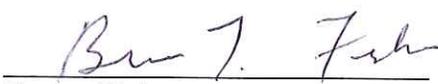


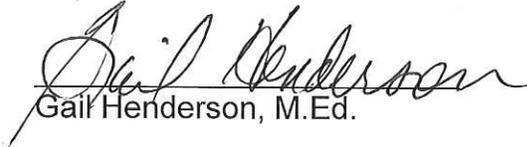
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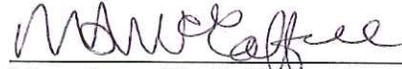


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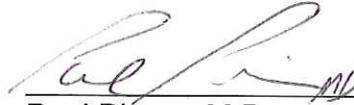
  
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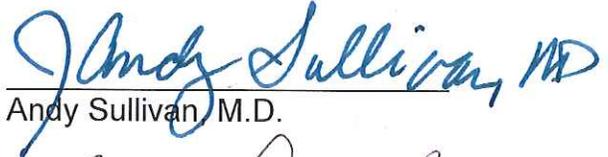


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