



SOUTHEAST IOWA LINK (SEIL)

MENTAL HEALTH AND DISABILITY SERVICES REGION

DES MOINES, HENRY, JEFFERSON,
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& WASHINGTON COUNTIES

DATE	CONVENING TIME	LOCATION
December 12, 2018	1:30pm	Henry Co. Emergency Management 900 West Washington St. Mount Pleasant, IA 52641

Southeast Iowa Link Governing Board Meeting
Approved Minutes

Present: Rick Larkin, Jack Seward Jr., Marc Lindeen, Tom Broeker, Dee Sandquist, Michael Berg, Chris Ball, Mark Meek, Bob Bartles, Ryanne Wood, Ken Hyndman, Sarah Berndt, Sandy Stever, Tami Gilliland, Alan Brady, Audrey Menke, Beau Pinkham

1. Approve Agenda the meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm

Motion to approve the agenda

By Michael Berg

Second Marc Lindeen

Motion passes

2. Consider Approval of November 14, 2018 minutes

There were corrections noted under agenda item number five the amount for mandated claims is \$30,304.43 and total claims paid was for November.

Motion to approve the minutes with the corrections noted

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes

3. Update from Advisory Board members

The advisory board talked about individual placement support for supported employment which is an evidence-based practice. This aligns with the managed care organizations expectation of identifying and meeting outcomes for the services they fund.

Great River Health System has added a psychiatrist and may add an advanced registered nurse practitioner. Optimae physician assistant workforce in Burlington and Mt. Pleasant has expanded.

Optimae Recovery Center in Fairfield is having an open house on December 14th. Optimae has expanded their physician assistant.

The University of Iowa is working on a study of suicide statistics and Jefferson County was a part of this study.

Hope Haven is moving towards a having a dual diagnosis mental health substance abuse residential service program. This is being done in partnership with Alcohol and Drug Dependency Services and Great River Health System. The anticipated opening date is summer or fall of 2019.

The Department of Human Services completed a survey on integrated health homes and the outcomes of that survey was better than expected. The Iowa Behavioral Health Association questions the size of the sample surveyed and the validity of the survey and are not sure if the outcome was accurate.



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The state introduced six tiers of rates for people who live in waiver sites. The state didn't adjust the funding formula to support the tiers. This created an issue where one-third of the providers got higher rates, one-third got rates that support the cost to provide the service and one-third took a drastic reduction in rates. If this is not remedied providers could face catastrophic financial losses. The advisory committee is requesting support from the governing board to ask the state legislators to take care of those harmed by the rate structure and not harm the other providers in correcting this issue.

There is a workforce shortage crisis with care givers. Wages are low and there aren't enough workers available to meet the jobs available. There is going to be an initiative proposed this coming year though Iowa income tax forgiveness, targeted funds for care giver improve wages and the region is asked to back this.

4. Consider Approval of Claims as per Running Totals Document- November

The report was reviewed via overhead projector. There is a difference with fiscal agent claims in November because there was a transport and fee for service of a court order bill from the Muscatine County Sheriff which was paid in one check. This check was returned because they require the payment be issued in two separate checks. This is reflected in November and looks like a duplicate payment. The amount is \$552 and makes the expenditures paid less than the amount of expenditures the governing board approved. Jefferson County submitted a portion of their fiscal agent contribution in October in the amount of \$386,509.28 and income was recorded in November to the fiscal agent. The Henry County budget was amended locally, and the Department of Management isn't reflecting the budget amendment.

Motion to approve claims for November

By Tom Broeker

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes

5. Consider Approval of Claims for Fiscal Agent Account as per Claims 12-12-2018

The report was reviewed via overhead projector. Mandated claims totaled \$11,802.55, service claims totaled \$366, 300.59 and total claims to be paid is \$378,103.14.

Motion to approve the claims for the Fiscal Agent account for December

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes

6. Receive and File Fiscal Agent Report- November

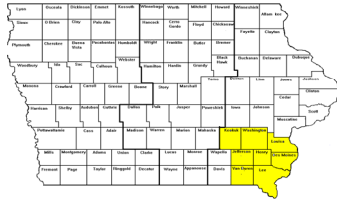
The report was reviewed via overhead projector. There was an interim assistance reimbursement for \$60.00 and a check from Great River Health System for \$500.00 for food that was provided at CIT in October.

Motion to receive and file the Fiscal Agent report for November

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Chris Ball

Motion passes



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7. Presentation from SEIL Contracted Provider(s)

There was no presentation.

8. Discuss Award of Technical Assistance for Individual Placement and Support (IPS)

Southeast Iowa Link and the Cross Region were awarded a technical assistance grant for supported employment evidence based practiced called Individual Placement and Supports (IPS). Employment first is a supported employment model that the supported employment providers in the region are using. Supported employment providers in the region include WCDC, First Resources, Hope Haven, Van Buren Job Opportunities, Optima, Goodwill and Tenco. The providers have been asked to submit a provider transformation commitment form which is due not later than January 4th, 2019. The technical assistance is provided through webinars and in person meetings. Outcome data will be collected and reported to the Department of Human Services. The service is designed to improve outcomes with individuals diagnosed with a serious mental illness and individuals with a criminal history. SEIL wants to include Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation from both local and state offices, integrated health homes and mental health centers in this initiative.

Motion to acknowledge the grant award

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Marc Lindeen

Motion passes

9. Discuss and Consider Approval of modification of Van Buren County Contribution to SEIL Fiscal Agent

The Van Buren County budget that was submitted including the cost of having a recovery center open in Van Buren County. The service was not provided in Van Buren County and a request is being made to make a budget reduction of the amount allocated for the service. This will allow Van Buren County to have the funds available to make the required contribution to the region. The SEIL financial experts and finance committee will be involved in contracting now which will ensure future issues like this are avoided.

Motion to approve the modification of the Van Buren County contribution to the SEIL Fiscal Agent

By Michael Berg

Second Tom Broeker

Motion passes

10. Discuss and Consider Approval of County member statement of Understanding for region designated duties

The statement of understanding is to identify for the governing board and member county board of supervisors the member county employees time, wages and benefits being utilized for accomplishing region functions.

Motion to approve the member statement of understanding

By Tom Broeker

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes



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11. Discuss and Consider Approval of rapid access to a prescriber for individuals in need transitioning out of jail

A power point was provided to the governing board for Safe Net Rx for review prior to the meeting. The Transition Link Coordinators find barriers to obtaining medications quickly when an individual is released from jail. The average length of stay for an individual booked into jail in the six counties served by Transition Link is fifty-six days. Those individuals coming into jail with Medicaid coverage will lose that after thirty days in jail. Reinstating or applying for Medicaid coverage at release will take two to six weeks at minimum. With no insurance or medications available at discharge an individual may return to self-medicating which could lead to re-arrest. The contracted medical services providers in the jails will not provide prescriptions.

With Safe Net Rx a community-based prescriber can send the prescription electronically and the medications are mailed to the address the individual provides. There is a specific formulary of behavioral health medications Safe Net Rx dispenses. Medications are dispensed in thirty-day supplies for up to six months at no charge.

Transition Link staff are requesting that the SEIL Region fund access to SEIL Contracted prescribers who would see the individuals within 48 hours of release so that medications can be prescribed and sent to the individual within a week of release. Transition Link staff would complete the application process prior to discharge. If the governing board approves the request the management team will pursue the steps needed to put this into place.

Motion to approve carrying out the steps needed to access Safe Net Rx

By Tom Broeker

Second Jack Seward Jr.

Motion passes

12. Discuss and Consider Approval of CIT training for officers involved in Region CIT training

Within the pool of CIT trainers there are three officers who are providing leadership for CIT. Those officers are Chad Zahn and Brian Carper from the City of Burlington Police Department and Julie Kinsella from the City of Fairfield Police Department. The governing board is being asked to fund the travel expenses for these officers to travel to San Antonio and spend a few days riding along with the CIT officers there. The officers have also been encouraged to spend a couple of days observing the San Antonio CIT. Having this opportunity will be a benefit to the SEIL Region for further development of our CIT and establishing mobile crisis services in the region. The CIT expense for training has been less than anticipated. The request is use the funds budgeted for our CIT trainings to support additional outside training for the three identified CIT training officers. From the CIT training there were two officers that expressed interest in becoming CIT trainers. The officers are Bradly Gillis from the City of Mt. Pleasant Police Department and Justina Mortimer from the City of Keokuk Police Department. The goal is to have up to twenty officers in our CIT trainer pool. Alan Brady is working on scheduling a



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CIT presentation with the recently trained officers at the local board of supervisors meeting. Getting recognition for the work being done with CIT is important.

Motion to approve CIT training funding

By Tom Broeker

Second Dee Sandquist

Motion passes

13. Discuss CSN Data Release Policy

ISAC has drafted a Community Services Network (CSN) Data Release Policy which was sent out to counties in November. Data housed in CSN is region data. Individual counties were contacting ISAC's CSN staff and requesting individual county data reports. The policy removes ISAC staff from the middle of this issue by requiring requests for data reports go through the region CEO's for approval.

Motion to approve the CSN Data Release Policy

By Dee Sandquist

Second Jack Seward Jr.

Motion passes

14. Discuss talking points for legislatures

The talking points were reviewed via overhead projector. The talking points are a compilation of the Supervisors Affiliate recommendations and the ISAC Policy Statements. The talking points reflect the region perspective.

15. New Business

The public, and community members who should know, don't realize what SEIL is doing as a region for our citizens. Discussion included issuing a monthly press release from the SEIL Region promoting awareness and representing the region efforts on the local radio stations. The SEIL Management Team has discussed having a newsletter.

When federal grants are available applicants must have a Duns number, which is free, and be registered with the System for Award Management (SAM). There is an annual fee for the SAM registration which is five hundred and ninety-nine dollars. There have been a few federal grants that would have provide funding for jail diversion efforts. Transition Link staff will review grant opportunities, and this will be placed on the January governing board agenda to take action.

16. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn

By Tom Broeker

Second Mark Meek

Motion passes

Minutes submitted by Marc Lindeen, Secretary, December 27, 2018. MLsb