

**REGIONAL SERVICE AREA OF DES MOINES, HENRY, JEFFERSON, KEOKUK, LEE,
LOUISA, VAN BUREN & WASHINGTON COUNTIES
SOUTHEAST IOWA LINK**



DATE	CONVENING TIME	LOCATION
October 12, 2016	1:30pm	Henry Co. Emergency Management 900 West Washington St. Mount Pleasant, IA 52641

SOUTHEAST IOWA LINK GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Draft Minutes

Present: Rick Larkin, Jack Seward Jr., Marc Lindeen, Tom Broeker, Becky Schmitz, Michael Berg, Randy Griffin, Mark Meek, Kristin Helm, Don Ross, Ryanne Wood, Sarah Berndt, Ken Hyndman, Leia Craff, Tami Gilliland, Bobbie Wulf

1. Approve Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

Motion to approve the agenda

By Becky Schmitz Second Michael Berg Motion passes

2. Consider Approval of September 14, 2016 minutes

Motion to approve the September 14, 2016 minutes

By Tom Broeker Second Mark Meek Motion passes
Becky Schmitz abstained from the vote

3. Update from Advisory Board members

Discussion of concerns with MCO funding and funding of a sixty-minute therapy session. One MCO has discontinued funding the sixty-minute session and they feel the other MCO's will discontinue funding that as well.

Concern with difficulty in getting notice of decisions from the case managers in a timely manner and the MCO's not being willing to back pay for the services that had been provided. This is causing service providers extra expenses.

There was discussion of Chapter 24 regulations for the crisis programs and individuals staffing the service having college degrees. There is also a question of years of experience with therapists assessing individuals in the emergency departments. The MHDS Commission is also discussing the impact of Chapter 24 rules on the residential crisis services. If our region cannot provide accredited residential crisis services, then the region will not be given credit as having residential crisis services in our region.

Amerigroup has ended the contracts with case management entities and will be providing case management services to individuals. Discussion of federal changes in wages that takes effect in December and how that will impact providers financially.

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4. Consider Approval of Claims- September

The report was reviewed by overhead projector.

Motion to approve the claims for September

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes

5. Consider Approval of Claims for Fiscal Agent Account-

a. None

6. Receive and File Fiscal Agent Report- September

The expenses showing in the report have already been approved by the governing board and are just now showing in the fiscal agent report. Revenue was interest of \$234.45 and expenses totaled \$68,280.65.

Motion to acknowledge and approve the Fiscal Agent report for September

By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Michael Berg

Motion passes

7. Quarterly Expenditure Report- Tami

The report has all the expenditures for the eight counties and fiscal agent. The reports show the percentage of expenditures that were spent the first quarter. The report shows what the programs funded are costing the region. There was a discussion about anticipated spending for the remainder of the year. The region needs to be cautious in considering expanding any funding for new services.

Great River Medical Center will be expanding to provide a 24-hour crisis line and that will increase expenditures in the region.

Motion to approve the quarterly report

By Marc Lindeen

Second Becky Schmitz

Motion passes

8. Discuss and Consider Approval of protocols for Forensic Psychiatric Evaluations/Competency Evaluations

The management team identified various scenarios of how 812 evaluations are funded by the counties in the region. Some counties pay the cost through a line item in the county attorney budget. Some counties pay for the cost out of the mental health fund 10. In these case's this is if the county attorney requests the competency evaluation. If the defense requests the evaluation this would be recouped from the state public defender office. Paying based on residency verses court venue were discussed. If the evaluation is paid out of fund 10 the protocol follows our management plan based on residency.

It may be of benefit to go back to each county to determine how this process is going to work. It could be beneficial to take back to the county to see if the county would adopt a protocol and possibly become uniform across the region.

Motion to approve and adopt the recommendation for the 812 competency evaluations

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By Jack Seward Jr.

Second Tom Broeker

Motion passes

9. New Business

Tom Broeker explained the pharmacy issue at the MHDS Commission meeting and the response was no one was experiencing this anywhere else. It was thought this might be a misinterpretation of what is a statement of account not an invoice requiring payment.

Director Palmer is going to attend the region CEO meeting to share his vision for a children's service system. One entity needs to govern this and the regions might be a good fit for that. If the regions aren't willing to take on this task, there may be fewer regions. At the CEO level there are two CEO's that are all in for the region taking on the children's system and the rest want to know more about the states expectations and funding. They are willing to talk about this but want to be shown the financing plan. The Department of Human Services issued a request for proposal for children's crisis services. DHS is talking with legislators about the children's system.

Van Buren County had a presentation from Carosh and are also talking to the local hospital about meeting their HIPAA needs.

Jefferson County has set up a committee and they are editing and revising the ISAC HIPAA Policy. Their goal is to get training done before the end of the year.

Lee County is looking at their health department for managing HIPAA compliance.

10. Adjourn

Next meeting is November 9th at the Emergency Management Building

Motion to adjourn

By Michael Berg

Second Tom Broeker

Motion passes

Minutes submitted by Marc Lindeen, Secretary, October 25, 2016 ML/sb