

MINUTES  
Saratoga County Community Services Board Meeting  
June 27, 2018

Present: Edmond Amyot, M.D., Ranjit Bhagwat, Ph.D., Joseph W. Carr, Erin Christopher-Sisk, Ph.D., Amy Hughes, Maureen Lewsey, Lillian McCarthy, Paul Morcone, and RJ Stutzmann. Also present: Michael S. Prezioso, Ph.D., Megan, Johnson and Cari Abatemarco from the Mental Health Center.

Absent: James Colamaria, Katie Lewis, Ph.D., Captain Daniel Morley and Maria Morris-Groves.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Amyot called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken. Quorum was established.

**III. MINUTES**

A motion to accept the minutes from 4/25/18 was made by Dr. Amyot, seconded by Ms. Hughes. A motion to accept the minutes from 5/30/18 was made by Dr. Amyot, seconded by Ms. McCarthy. Motions carried.

**IV. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

None present.

**V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/OLD BUSINESS**

A. On-site Pharmacy Services Update – State agencies met with pharmacy lobbyist and members of the Legislature. It was determined that the Pharmacy will submit an application for standard process to the Board of Pharmacy pending a set of guidelines to be issued by OMH.

B. 730 Magistrate Education Update: Follow-up Support – Dr. Prezioso conducted some training with the magistrates. Since then, he has received several calls from the magistrates regarding questions about the 730 process. We are a valuable resource and they are utilizing us to gather information to smooth out the internal process.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Active Shooter Training – There will be a training planned for all staff by the Sheriff's office. Staff will have the option to "opt out" as the Sheriff's may be shooting blanks.

- B. Handle with Care – The same Deputy that will be working on the active shooter training will be our point of contact for the Handle with Care Program. He will be connecting with the school resource officers who will be connecting with school personnel. This program should be up and running this Fall.
- C. Youth Mental Health First Aid/SROs – The Sheriff’s department was given the authority to hire 11 new deputies to take over the road patrol and then take the more seasoned/experienced deputies and use them in the schools as resource officers. Our clinic will be training the new SROs.
- D. SUD/Jail – The State allocated \$12 million in its recent budget to develop jail-based SUD services.
- E. Wellspring Partnership – Wellspring would like to reconstitute a support group for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse. They would like us to help review or develop curriculum for them and deploy therapists. The cost to deploy our therapists would be \$75/hour.
- F. Outreach – Dr. Prezioso conducted presentations over the last couple of days for the Shenendehowa School District’s public policy and leadership development program involving mental health and addiction issues and how we can develop an integrated infrastructure within the county.
- G. Suicide Prevention Coalition – The data from 2012-2014 shows we were having approximately 18/20 suicides each year. In 2015, the suicide rate went up to 30/33. In 2017, it went back down to 20 and in 2018 we are down to 10.

**VII. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for July 25th at 4:00 p.m.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by: Cheryle Ellsworth**