



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
CLINICAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
APRIL 6, 2023
VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES**



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance					
X	Chair- Dr. Mark Johnson- Gateway		Highland Rivers- Dr. Michelle Hamm	X	GACSB- Robyn Garrett
X	Vice Chair- Jennifer Hibbard – View Point	X	Legacy – Mallory Sims	X	GACSB- Jesse Hambrick
X	Advantage- Dr. Shannon Kelly	X	McIntosh Trail- Lenora Allen, MD	X	GACSB- Renee Millians
X	Aspire- Lisa Oosterven, LCP	X	Middle Flint- Willie Greene		GACSB- Dr. Glyn Thomas
X	Avita- Lori Holbrook	X	New Horizons- Denise Wade McLeod		
X	Bridge Health-Carla Myers		Oconee- Ezekiel McWilliams		
X	Clayton Center – Lanell Johnson		Pathways- Jade Benefield		
X	CSB of Middle Georgia- Lisa Montford	X	Pineland- June DiPolito		
X	Dekalb- Renee Dryfoos	X	River Edge- Miranda Nunez		
	Douglas County – Sandra Williams		Serenity- Stephen Martell		
X	Gateway – Sharon Smith		Unison- Viva Steed		
X	Georgia Pines- Richard Hughes	X	View Point Health- Makini Corlette		
GUESTS: Wendy Tiegreen- DBHDD, Erika Stinson-DBHDD, Dr. Carmen Martinez, Emily Buck					
DISTRIBUTION: Clinical Ops 04/06/2023 Agenda, Clinical Ops 03/02/2023 Minutes					

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Responsibility	Due Date
Welcome/Call To Order	Chair, Dr. Mark Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:02PM.			
Post PHE Policies Q&A with DBHDD	Wendy Tiegreen joined the meeting to discuss the changes within DBHDD policies post the National Public Health Emergency (PHE). Wendy stated that DBHDD has a plan to review every DBHDD policy relating to the COVID-19 pandemic and any changes will be permanent. DBHDD will integrate some pandemic policies as needed into the DBHDD provider manual and a new provider manual released on May 11, 2023. DBHDD will release another provider manual on June 1, 2023, with an effective date of July 1, 2023. To view the full memo, members can refer to the email sent by Renee Millians to the CEOs and GACSB committees on April 5, 2023.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include “Post PHE DBHDD Policies” as a standing Agenda item 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GACSB Executive Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning 05/04/2023
Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the 04/06/2023 Agenda was made by Dr. Lenora Allen and seconded by Dr. Shannon Kelly. Motion carried without dissent.			

Approval of Minutes	A motion to approve the 03/02/2023 minutes was made by Denise Wade McLeod and seconded by Miranda Nunez. Motion carried without dissent.			
Operational Challenges Report Out	Denise Wade McLeod indicated they recently experienced difficulties with a hybrid audit by Carelon (formerly, Beacon). Other members indicated that pre-planning and asking questions prior to the audit seemed to help the process run smoother.	Robyn to reach out to Denise post meeting to discuss further.	Robyn Garrett	As soon as possible.
State-Wide Policy Initiatives	<p>CCBHC Grant Funding Opportunity- Robyn Garrett informed members that Brenda Cibulas will be joining the Weekly CEO Touchpoint meeting at 3pm and the second part of the meeting will include a panel discussion from current grantees regarding the grant application process, lessons learned from information included in previous applications and helpful tips on writing a successful CCBHC grant. Information was distributed to CEOs on DBHDD's policy for requesting letters of support.</p> <p>CCBHC Status Report from Grantees- New Horizons- Denise Wade McLeod reported their cost studies have been submitted to MTM and they are awaiting a response.</p> <p>Behavioral Health Rate Study- No updates at this time.</p> <p>DCH Medicaid Managed Care Re-Procurement- Robyn Garrett reported the Executive Office has been working with each CSB individually on contract negotiations.</p> <p>Opioid Settlement Update- Robyn Garrett reported receiving an email from attorneys indicating that a final decision will be made in the next few days about the CSBs signing on to the second opioid settlement.</p> <p>Medicaid Unwinding- Robyn Garrett reported the Executive Office has been hosting a Lunch 'n' Learn series pertaining to the Medicaid redetermination process and how CSBs can assist individuals with the process and billing for these services.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact Wendy Tiegreen for any updates on the Behavioral Health Rate Study 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robyn Garrett 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 05/04/2023

Medical Direct Focus Group Report	<p>Dr. Carmen Martinez reported the group last met on February 21, 2023, and gave the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group successfully submitted comments to the DEA regarding the new policies on telehealth services. • GACSB's response to OPB's GA Unified Formulary- Dr. Martinez informed the group that they have yet to receive a direct response back to the letter. 			
I/DD Operations Committee Report	<p>Vice Chair of the I/DD Operations Committee, Jennifer Hibbard reported the committee met on March 27, 2023, and the following items were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB198- did not pass through the House • HB520- did not pass through the Senate • 500 new NOW& COMP Waivers included in the FY24 Budget but no increase in the I/DD service rates • Support Coordination • I/DD Workforce Committee • NADD Certification • CSB is Me I/DD Marketing Campaign <p>The I/DD Ops committee minutes are available for review on the GACSB website.</p>			
Legislative Update	<p>Robyn Garrett reported the 2023 Legislative Session ended on March 29th, 2023. Robyn reported that HB520 did not pass through during this session, however some of the studies indicated in the bill will still be completed. CSB employees are included in the \$2,000 wage increase in the FY24 Budget.</p>			
Other	None.			
Next Meeting	May 4, 2023 @ 2:00pm			
Adjournment	A motion to adjourn was made by Lori Holbrook and seconded by June DiPolito. Motion carried without dissent and the meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.			
Chair	Dr. Mark Johnson	Recorded By: Renee Millians		