## TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

## February 20th, 2025

## **Pending Approval**

Via Hybrid

Member Keith Nichols, MD Attendance: Larissa Brower

> Carolyn Galatzan Porshea Moore Bob Williams Fran Bialy Shawn Nalepa Bill Standinger, III

Guests: Casie O'Reilly, OPWDD

Mental Lori Morgan, Director of Community Services

Hygiene Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director of Community Services

Attendance:

Meeting called to order at 9:34am

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Category: Meeting Minutes

Topic: Review of minutes from January 2025 – Approved with changes

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Topic: Director Report – Lori Morgan

Discussion: Updates:

- Welcome Dr. Nichols as the newest member of the Board
- Staff changes
  - Jason Seidel, CASAC resigned 1/27/25
  - o Janeille Williams, LCSW promoted to Supervising CSW on 1/27/25
  - o Dr. Tara Belsare', Psychiatrist, started 1/29/25
  - Christina Hust, Mobile Crisis Sr. CSW started 2/10/25
  - o Dr. Bezirganian retired 2/10/25 but coming back as contract
  - Amy Joyce, CSW-Permit starting 2/24/25 (Owego Clinic)
  - Kelly Polidori, CSW starting 2/24/25 (Waverly Clinic eventually)
  - Patricia Zalewski-Gibson, NP resigning as of 3/4/25
  - Amy Coy, Sr. CSW starting 3/24/25 (Waverly Clinic)
- Additional headcount presented to the Legislature and approved
  - o ADS struggling due to the increased demand
  - o Porshea Moore should be receiving her CASAC Certificate soon
- Mobile Crisis
  - Program is being built
  - o Counties experiencing difficulties with sustainability
  - Mental Hygiene will have a relationship with law enforcement
    - iPads
    - Virtual or telephone after hours

- o Program will have a Mental Health Peer
  - CRPA'S qualify for this position
- 2024 Incident Trend Report reviewed
- Continuing to trend under budget
- TC Suicide Coalition & TC ASAP Coalition
  - Proposal presented at each coalition to merge
  - Lori is not in support
  - o Numerous concerns were listed
  - o The Board discussed at length

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: New Business

Discussion: Nominating Committee

- Vote on positions
  - Frain Bialy Chair
  - o Shawn Nalepa Vice Chair
  - Tina Lounsbury Secretary
- Approved unanimously

Corporate Compliance Plan & CharterReviewed and approved by Board

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Committee Reports

Discussion: Updates:

- Coroner Report Bob Williams
  - John Olsen appointed to fill Stu Bennett's term
- TAM Report Bob Williams
  - Monthly meeting next week
    - Meeting with County Evaluator
  - Four school cases coming in to review
- Peer Advocate Porshea Moore
  - Distributed 50 Narcan kits within an hour close to a downtown facility
  - Test strips are being accepted and used
  - Some individuals are accepting treatment
  - o Porshea to send Narcan order link to Larissa for the SOS team
- PIT Count Fran Bialy
  - o Fran participated in the PIT count in February
  - o 16 individuals were found: significant upward trend from previous years

Status: Informational - Complete

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:54am. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March

20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 9:30am.