



**Colorado Brain Injury Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: May 19, 2022

Time: 10:00 -12:00 AM

Location: Zoom

NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT
<b>Board Members</b>		Jones, Crista	x
Bemis, Billie		Horsfall, Jaime	x
Engle, Ian	x	Knauer, Russha	x
French, Anna	x	Levis, Bill	x
Friedman, Ronen		Martinez, Maria	x
Gabella, Barbara	x	McMahon, Leah	
Genzel, Ben	x	Micciche, Denise	x
Greene, Meghan		Pedler, Rhea	x
Grishman, Toni		Snelson, Kari	
Hawley, Lenny	x	Tyler, Janet	
Heidenreich, Steve		Wren, Louisa	
Henika, Joy	x	Winkler, Max	
Jones, Christa	x		
Staff		Guests	
Liz Gerdeman (MINDSOURCE)		Amy Engelman (ACL Grant Evaluator)	
Kelly Miller (MINDSOURCE)		Summer Gathercole (Office of Behavioral Health)	
Erin Horner (MINDSOURCE)		Jim Tatten (Member of the public)	
Lina Kyle (MINDSOURCE)			

**Opening & Introductions**

<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Russha asked Erin and Kelly to introduce themselves.</p> <p>Kelly went over the previously established group agreements. The group agreed to add a parking lot section to the minutes.</p>		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
NA			

**Approval of May Minutes**

<b>Discussion</b>	Maria made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 2022, Ian seconded and motion passed unanimously.		
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	
NA			

### Suicide Prevention & Safety Planning

<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Russha provided information on researchers from the University of Denver have been working on screening victims of intimate partner violence for brain injury. Researchers are suggesting including screening for risk of self-harm and suicide. This is a great opportunity for the advisory board to identify pain points for under or over screening in a single system. The board members indicated they would be interested in hearing about the results of the project.</p> <p>Maria reported that the Park View facility in Pueblo will be closing, leaving that community without a facility.</p>		
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	
Provide a report on the results of this research once it is available.	Russha		

### Valor On The Fax

<b>Discussion</b>	Jaime and Russha gave an update on Valor On The Fax which is BIAC's housing project for chronically homeless people with brain injuries. It will have 72 units and provide and on-site services.		
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	
NA			

### Behavioral Health Administration

<b>Discussion</b>	Summer gave an update on the Behavioral Health Administration. It will be a single entity that will lead the vision for behavioral health in the state of Colorado. It will coordinate with the Office of Behavioral Health, Medicaid, and private insurance.		
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	
NA			

### MINDSOURCE Updates

<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ MINDSOURCE staff is meeting with a vendor for a needs assessment. The goal is to gather information through late summer and the fall and have it ready to present to the Board at the end of the year. The data collected will be used to inform the next state plan. That state plan should go into effect July 1, 2023. The board will likely need to have more frequent meetings to draft that plan. Previously there were meeting every other month and three small groups that met separately.</li> <li>□ Colorado Crisis Line will now connect to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The three-digit number 988 will help individuals in crisis to connect with suicide prevention and mental health crisis counselors effective July 16, 2022</li> <li>□ Senate Bill 22-57 Creates the victims of a violent crime brain injury task force. The task force will develop a plan for the creation and implementations of a</li> </ul>		
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	<p>pilot program for the identification, screening, support, and services for victims of violent crimes for brain injury and providing those who screen positive the appropriate support and services. The task force will be appointed by August 1, 2022 and submit their final plan by January 1, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ Amy gave an update on Care Coordination. The online platform will be live in July. The online resource navigation hub connects people, online or through the app, to a variety of behavioral health and related services/resources that is searchable by insurance, availability, geography, and specialty.</li> </ul>	
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Send out a poll to find out preferred meeting frequency	Kelly	

**Public Comment**

<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ Ben wanted to know which MINDSOURCE staff interacted with ACL. He wanted to highlight that emotional trauma can cause damage to the brain structure which can cause developmental delays. He wanted to emphasize that this should be considered when providing mental health services.</li> <li>□ Ian suggested the volunteers be provided a stipend or gift to show the board's appreciation for their work. He also wanted to note that there should be coordination between behavioral health services and long-term services.</li> <li>□ Jim wanted to talk about the definition of brain injury. He is concerned about the discounting of differences between the types of brain injuries. He also wanted to acknowledge the participation of the volunteers on the board.</li> </ul>
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<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
NA		

**Next Steps/Wrap Up**

<b>Discussion</b>	Ian made a motion to adjourn, Bill seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
NA		

**Parking Lot**

<b>Discussion</b>	None	
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
NA		

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 18, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m

Minutes collected by Lina Kyle