

Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Committee (CBHAC)

Thirty one appointed members
(Fifty-one percent to be parents)
28 appointments filled, currently three vacancies
Statewide Advisory Council appointments currently one vacancies
Legislative appointments one vacancy
Governor's appointment no vacancies

Appointments. By State Advisory Council:

Co-Chair: Dave Tompkins (01/06/06-02/04/11),
Sincilina Beckett, Darcy Lowell, Norma Irving, Tabor Napiello and Debbie McCusker (09/06/07 – 09/06/12) **Karen Smith, Co-Chair: Dorian M. Vicedomini**, (02/28/08 - 02/28/10) **Mary Martinez, George McDonald** (10/08/08 - 10/08/10) **Mary Held** (03/31/09 - 03/31/11) **Hal Gibber** (01/07/10 - 01/07/2012)

Governor's Appointments:

Parent-**Cathy Adamczyk**, Provider-**Cara Westcott** (08/11/05-11/03/10)

Legislative Appointments:

Pres. Pro Tempore Appt. Donald Williams - **Margaret (Peggy) Ayer** (08/15/05-08/15/11), Speaker of the House Appt. Christopher Donovan - **John McGann** (12/14/05-06/30/10), Maj. Leader of the Senate Appt. Martin Looney- **Gabrielle Hall** (11/25/09 – 11/25/11), Min. Leader of the Senate Appt. John McKinney-**Marcy Kane** (04/07/05-06/30/10), Min. Leader of the House Larry Cafero - **M. Jeffry Spahr** (09/03/09-06/30/2011) Maj. Leader of the House Appt. Denise Merrill - **Robert Franks** (02/20/09 - 06/30/10)

State Department Commissioner Designees:

Department of Children and Families - **Tim Marshall**, Department of Social Services - **Vacant**,
Department of Education - **Scott Newgass**, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services - **Nikki Richer**,
Department of Developmental Services-**Maureen Thomas**

Court Support Services, Chief Court Administrator Designee - **Cathy Foley Geib**

Office of Protection and Advocacy, Executive Director Designee - **Rachel Sherman**

Meeting Minutes from March 05, 2010

Appointed Members in Attendance:

Cathy Adamczyk, Margaret (Peggy) Ayer, Hal Gibber, Gabrielle Hall, Tim Marshall, George McDonald Tabor Napiello, Scott Newgass, Karen Smith, M. Jeffry Spahr, Dave Tompkins, Dorian Vicedomini, Cara Westcott, Norma Irving

Excused Appointed Members:

Robert Franks, Cathy Foley Geib, Marcy Kane, Nikki Richer, Rachel Sherman, Maureen Thomas, Debbie McCusker, Darcy Lowell

Unexcused Appointed Members:

John McGann, Mary Martinez, Mary Held, Sincilina Beckett

Members of the Public in Attendance:

Kathy Carrier, Michelle Tournas, Mary Bruce, Susan Williamson, Lorna Grivois, Michelle Drake, Tawana B. Elmon Ligon, Lesbia Martinez, Jessica Morneault, Nancy Dumont, Philip Dumont, Martha Miller, Stephen Hillyer, Denise Tillmans, Henry Brenetta, Neva Caldwell, Ellen Wright, Tim Bowles, Lynn Roberson, Velveta Scott, Myah Moye, Amina Moye, Brenda Sutton, Michelle Tournas, Wanda Roberson, Margaret Roberson, John Torello, Beth Mix, Alicia Briddell, Cornelius Briddell

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Mission: The mission of CBHAC is to promote and enhance the provision of behavioral health services for all children in the State of Connecticut.

The Meeting was called to order by Co-chair, Dave Tompkins – 10:12 am

Co-chairs report:

Dave Tompkins and Doriana Vicedomini

Housekeeping - Please make sure that you use the bathroom at the atrium and please use the cafeteria for any refreshments

Legislative Update -

State Liaisons:

Department of Children and Families - Tim Marshall

- Budget Impact -
 - Direction on programs changes

Department of Education - Scott Newgass -

- Affecting Education
 - Changes on family with service needs petitions (ex. Issues of truancy)
 - A definition of behavioral health interventions and programs that take place on school based levels to coincide to Response Intervention (National Initiative).

Parent - March 15th at 3:30pm- Rally at the Legislative office building regarding: CT under achievement. (Focus on closing the achievement gap)

State Advisory Committee Report (SAC) updates - Doriana Vicedomini

- Continuing to look at the Ombudsman's office, issues, reporting, etc..;
- Monitoring the strategic Plan for DCF and will have our first review of that plan at our May meeting with the Commissioner
- Closely following the legislative agenda set forth by DCF and have offered to provide supportive testimony of the Education Stability bill.
- Continue to review and comment on every policy that is proposed or revised at DCF
- Notified the Commissioner that we would send the CBHAC report when it has been revised
- Presentation by BH Partnership - Lori Szygiel and Karen Andersson
 - Five delegates from CBHAC will be attending the Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council
 - CBHAC parent representatives are encouraged to co-chair the Behavioral Health Oversight Council

Next Meeting March 10, 2010

BHP Oversight Council

(2nd Wednesday/month)

All meetings start at 2:00pm

Meeting rooms:

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For more information please visit the Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council at -
<http://www.cga.ct.gov/ph/BHPOC/>

Update on Bridgeport facility for girls - Dave Tompkins

- o No updates - Facility is still under consideration

Requirement: Report on status of Behavioral Health in Connecticut is due to the State Advisory Committee

- o Submit feedback on Whitepaper written by Dr. Robert Plant.



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April CBHAC meeting Presentations - Lori Szczygiel and Karen Andersson

Behavioral Health Partnership

Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership: Focus 2010

Orientation to the BHP Oversight Committee and its sub-committees

Approval of Minutes:

March meeting minutes were voted on and approved at 10:40AM.

Committee Reports:

Nominations Committee

Marcy Kane/ VACANT

Update: two State Advisory slots are open - four applicants

Mental Health Block Grant

Peggy Ayer/ Karen Smith

- o Joint planning committee meeting update-
 - o Role of CBHAC to be children's voice
 - o Block grant was cut and a percentage was cut out of the children's section

Local System of Care & Behavioral Health Services – BHP Interface

Hal Gibber/ Marcy Kane/ Tabor Napiello

- o Meeting went well despite the weather
- o Information about meeting will be provided to everyone
- o Next Meeting Friday, May 14th - State wide systems of care
- o Status of the 25 collaboratives - surveys will be handed out

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Practice Standards

Scott Newgass/ Debbie McCusker

- Meeting today and reviewing seven practice standards
- Attorney M. Jeffrey Spahr will be joining the group

Multiculturalism

Mary Held/ VACANT

No recommendations

Transformation Youth

George McDonald/ Amy O'conner/ Neil Quatrano

***On the board you will find the CBHAC sub-committees sign up sheets, please sign up if you would like to be a part of any committee.**

No recommendations

****Orientation is available every month at 9:30am before the CBHAC meeting at the cafeteria***

****Sub-Committee will meet from 11:00 - 12:00 in the cafeteria on the first floor.***

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10AM

Meeting notes respectfully submitted by Lorena Emanuel