

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), **Lolli Ross** (02/04/05-02/04/09),
Grace Nelson (10/07/05-10/07/09), **Sincilina Beckett, Patricia Gaylord, Darcy Lowell, Norma Irving, Neil Quatrano,**
Tabor Napiello and Debbie McCusker (09/06/07 – 09/06/09) **Karen Smith, Co-Chair: Dorian M. Vicedomini,** (02/28/2008
- 02/28/2010) **Mary Martinez, George McDonald** (10/08/2008 - 10/08/2010) **Mary Held** (03/31/2009 - 03/31/2011)

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** (08/15/05-08/15/09), Speaker of the House Appt. Christopher
Donovan - **John McGann** (12/14/05-06/30/10), Maj. Leader of the Senate Appt. Martin Looney-**Chet Brodnicki** (08/09/05 –
08/09/09), Min. Leader of the Senate Appt. John McKinney-**Marcy Kane** (04/07/05-06/30/10), Min. Leader of the House Larry
Cafero - **M. Jeffrey Spahr** (09/03/09-06/30/2011) Maj. Leader of the House Appt. Denise Merrill - **Robert Franks** (02/20/09 -
06/30/2010)

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-**Steven, Zuckerman**

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

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

Meeting Minutes from November 06, 2009

Appointed Members in Attendance:

Margaret (Peggy) Ayer, Sincilina Beckett, Robert Franks, Norma Irving, Marcy Kane, Tim Marshall, George
McDonald, Tabor Napiello, Scott Newgass, Nikki Richer, Rachel Sherman, Dave Tompkins, Cara Westcott,
Steven Zuckerman

Excused Appointed Members:

Dorian M. Vicedomini, Karen Smith, Darcy Lowell, Debbie McCusker, Jeffrey M. Spahr, Cathy Foley Geib

Unexcused Appointed Members:

Lolli Ross, Patricia Gaylord, Grace Nelson, Scott Newgass, Chet Brodnicki, Mary Held, Mary Martinez,
John McGann, Neil Quatrano, Cathy Adamczyk

Members of the Public in Attendance:

Gabrielle Hall, Mary Bruce, Lesbia Martinez, John Torello, Ellen Wight, Nancy Dumont, Jessica Morneault,
Debra Gannon, Alma Vazquez, Heidi Pugliere, Allyson Nadea, Michelle Chase, Erin Jones, Jennifer Paslin,
Hal Giber, Wanda Roberson, Margaret Roberson, Lynn Roberson, Cindy Thomas, Neva Caldwell

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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 – 10:09 am

Co-chairs report:

Dave Tompkins

State Advisory Committee - Molly Cole

Update:

- October working meeting - detail about process by which we would move forward the reports from CBHAC
 - Two reports are due this year (Annual Systems of Care and the Biannual report status of Behavioral Health Services)
 - SAC will review the report and put together a letter of transmittal to the Commissioner with our comments
 - CBHAC will receive a copy of transmittal letter
- Appointments - 1 new and several reappointments
 - Move on Hal Gibber's appointment
 - Need attendance information on reappointments. Marcy Kane will follow up on this with Molly.

Dave Tompkins: Looking for parent applications

- This month we will have a business meeting - we will breaking up in our sub-committees
- Next month in December we will have a full meeting with reports and recommendations

***Joint Mental Health Block Grant Meeting
Connecticut Valley Hospital - Page Hall
November 16, 2009 @ 2:00pm***

DCF update on new facility for girls in Bridgeport - Tim Marshall

Refer to handout-

- I. Purpose of Facility
 - a. Need for Continuum of care for high risk girls
- II. History of Program Development and funding
 - a. Development of several services for girls through the years
 - b. PUBLIC ACT 06-186; PUBLIC ACT 07-7; and PUBLIC ACT No. 09-02
- III. Selection of Site
 - a. Bridgeport location - several strong points
 - i. Easy highway access
 - ii. Location was big enough to accommodate the proposed facility
 - iii. Easy construction and no contamination issues
- IV. Process of Engagement
 - a. Meeting with Mayor Finch in Bridgeport and Senator Rob Russo
 - b. Article in the Connecticut Post
 - c. Meeting with the pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church
 - d. Meeting with the Bridgeport Area Advisory Counsel
 - e. Rep. Toni Walker; Chair of the Legislature's Human Service Committee toured the site
 - f. Visioning session with external stakeholders

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- g. Meet with all Bridgeport legislators
- h. Discussion at the Bond Commission Sub-committee meeting

- V. Need for CEPA
 - a. Under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act ("CEPA") an Environmental Classification Document ("ECD") is the guidance document State agencies use in determining whether an Environmental Impact Evaluation ("EIE") is warranted.

- VI. Project Details
 - a. Short term treatment facility for 18 to 24 female juvenile defenders less than 18 years of age
 - b. Two 8 bed secure units and one 8 bed transitional unit
 - c. Neighborhood school with residential dormitory
 - d. Secure yet not look like a detention center

- VII. Status of Project
 - a. DCF move in date is August 2011 with 130 jobs

DCF Update on Status on High Meadows - Bert Plant

- o The Department filed a Certificate of Need (CON) application with the Office of Health Care Access (OHCA) on August 26, 2009 seeking approval to terminate services at High Meadows and have had two hearings.
 - 1199 Health Care Union - interveners status
 - OHCA is in the process of deliberating and currently under review
 - Plans continue to move forward - high risk children will reside at CCP
 - Staff from High Meadows will be shifted to CCP but not until there is an official decision

Mental Health Block Grant Report - Marilyn Cloud

A copy of the Implementation Report FY 2009 - Highlights is provided for your review. This document identifies the performance measures including the federally mandated national outcome measures and illustrates how well Connecticut met these targets.



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Implementation Repo

Narrative summary Of Areas Identified by State in FY 09 as needing improvement and progress made toward addressing those areas.



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Dave Tompkins:

- o Announcement of 5% cuts on DCF community based programs - what impact will the budget cuts on DCF affect the behavioral health services for kids?
- o Next months two topics will be:

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- DCF legislative agenda for the next session and;
- The impact of children services with current cuts.

Approval of Minutes:

September and October meeting minutes were voted on and approved at 11:12AM.

Committee Reports:

We are following a new format within which the sub-committees meet every other month from 11:00 Am until 12:00 PM, with a brief business meeting from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM. The CBHAC sub-committees met this month and will report their recommendations at December's meeting.

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

**Next month each sub-committee will provide their recommendations*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14PM

Meeting notes respectfully submitted by Lorena Emanuel