

AGENDA

Tioga County Community Services Board

PWDD Subcommittee

August 8th, 2023

Hybrid

9:00- 10:30am

AGENDA TOPICS

Review and approve minutes

John Crosby

DDSO/DDRO Report

Vickie Fergus

Director's Report

Lori Morgan, LCSW-R

Achieve Report

Amantha Powell

FSS Report

Gayle Pado

CCO Reports

Racker Report

Gayle Pado

Catholic Charities

Gabriella Ayres

Self-Advocacy Report

Megan Kaminsky

Other Business

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 12th, 2023 at 9:00am

TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE
PWDD SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE TIOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

PENDING APPROVAL

Subcommittee meeting date: May 9th, 2023

Via Hybrid

Member Attendance: Evelyn Vavra
Tina Lounsbury
Kim Bailey Poreda
Gabiella Ayers

Guest Attendance: Karen Warfle
Teresa Edwards
Tricia Tom
Kim Cary
Casey O'Reilly
Brittany Gayner
Jamie Kelly
Carley Hoover

Mental Hygiene Staff Attendance: Lori Morgan, Director of Community Services
Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director (minutes)

Meeting called to order at: 9:05am

Topic: Review of April 2023 Minutes – approved as written

Category: Reports

Topic: DDSO/DDRO Report – Jamie Kelly & Casey O'Reilly

Discussion: Updates

- Public Health Emergency - COVID
 - Thursday, 5/11/23 unwinding COVID changes
- Appendix K in effect through 11/11/23
- Waiver Amendment out on website for the public
 - Copy (attached) to be sent to subcommittee
 - A lot of changes
 - Changes to Day Hab for seniors
- Strategic Plan
 - Quarterly report released
 - Forwarding link to subcommittee

Status: Informational - Complete

Category: Director's Report – Lori Morgan

Topic: Updates:

- Discussion:**
- **Waverly Site**
 - Lease not renewed
 - Temporarily moving to the Owego clinic
 - Vacant Veteran's space to become part of the Owego clinic
 - Clients being notified
 - Moving forward on a perspective property for Waverly site
 - **County Plan**
 - New documents not released to date
 - **Workforce recruitment & retention still a challenge**
 - **Lori will be attending the CLMHD Spring Conference in Saratoga May 10th – 12th, 2023**

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Achieve Report – Carley Hoover & Brittany Gayner

- Discussion:**
- Updates:**
- 17 individuals in Day Hab
 - 5 intakes
 - Maximum 25-30 individuals

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: FSS Report - Not Present

Topic: CCO Reports

- Discussion:**
- Updates:**
- Prime Care – Tricia Tom**
- Preparing for the Public Health Emergency to end
 - CCO's in good shape
 - Two open Care Manager positions filled

ST Connects – Not present

- Life Plan – Kim Carey**
- Preparing for the Public Health Emergency to end
 - Biggest change - face to face meetings with individuals
 - Wet signatures instead of verbal
 - Will still have Telehealth but must be chosen by the families
 - Tragically lost one of the Care Managers

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Rackers – Not Present

Topic: Self-Advocacy – Not Present

Topic: Catholic Charities – Not Present

Topic: Other Business

Discussion: Next month, Residential Coordinators Nicole Nucci and David Kudus will be presenting information on local school transitions.

Status: Informational - Complete

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:23am. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13th, 0023 at 9:00am.

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TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE
PWDD SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE TIOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

PENDING APPROVAL

Subcommittee meeting date: June 13th, 2023

Via Hybrid

Member Attendance: Evelyn Vavra
Tina Lounsbury
Gabriella Ayers
John Crosby
Gayle Pado
Jamie Kelly
Matthew Rouff
Shannon Westbrook

Guest Attendance: David Kudgus
Karlene Marlowe
Emily Jackson
Tricia Tomm
Teresa Edwards

Mental Hygiene Staff Attendance: Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director (minutes)

Meeting called to order at: 9:075am

Topic: Review of May 2023 Minutes – Not reviewed

Category: Presentation

Topic: “Putting People First”

Discussion: David Kudgus, Local School Transition Coordinator for Reginal Office 2 and Karlene Marlowe, an Employment Coordinator for Employment services gave a presentation on kids transitioning out of school to adult services. The presentation is attached for informational purposes.

The group found the information very helpful and thanked David & Karlene for their time.

Status: Informational – Complete

Category: Reports

Topic: DDSO/DDRO Report – Jamie Kelly

Discussion: Updates:

- NYS Budget
 - Received a 4% cost of living adjustment
 - Combined COLA increase of 9.4% (this year and last year)

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Achieve Report – Matthew Rouff & Shannon Westbrook

Discussion: Updates:

- Taking referrals for programs (e.g., DayHab)
- Taking referrals for Community Services for Brome & Tioga Counties
- Summer Program for IEP & OPWDD eligible children

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: FSS Report – Gayle Pado

Discussion: Updates:

- Statewide Council meeting on 6/21/23
- New leadership & Co-Chairs
 - Gayle is one of the co-chairs
- Working on relationship collaborations
- Subcommittee developed
- RFP provided over \$400,000 in funding for services
- Looking at numerous areas to help families

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Rackers – Gayle Pado

Discussion: Updates:

- Autism Lending Library Sensory Space Grand Opening (flier attached)
 - Wednesday, June 14th, 2023, from 5-7pm
 - Washington Gladden location
 - Open for everyone
 - Library of few books but lots of stuff
 - Hours of operation to be posted soon
 - Next Goal: Mobil Library
- Staffing
 - A lot of openings needing to be filled
- Rackers currently has a wait list

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: CCO Reports

Discussion: Updates:

Prime Care – Tricia Tom

- Preparing for the Public Health Emergency to end
- No Care Manager vacancies at this time
- Celebrating 5-year anniversary as a CCO

ST Connects – Emily Jackson

- Preparing for the Public Health Emergency to end
- Cortland/Ithaca Supervisor position open
- Consents updated
- Staffing pretty stable
- Continuing to do intakes

Life Plan – Not present

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Self-Advocacy – Not Present

Topic: Catholic Charities – Gabby Ayres

Discussion: Updates:

- Prom coming up on 6/21/23
- Currently have a wait list
- Looking for Staff for Tompkins/Tioga

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Other Business

Discussion: Updates:

- County Plan
 - Please send any changes/suggestions/updates to Lori Morgan
 - Must be submitted to the State at the end of the month
- No meeting in July

Status: Informational – Complete

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:55am. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8th, 2023, at 9:00am.