



**McLean County Health Department
Board of Health Behavioral Health Policy and Funding Committee
Minutes
March 2, 2020**

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 11:35

Roll Call: Carla Pohl, Judy Buchanan, Cory Tello, Susan Schafer, Hannah Eisner

MHAB Member Present: Laurie Wollrab, Trisha Malott

Staff Members Present: Amy Hancock, Mandy McCambridge

Carla stated that the only thing for action today will be Parameters for the Embedded School Program.

Discussion Items:

Parameters for Embedded School and Community Intervention Program for FY21

Amy stated that the NOFO for the Embedded School Program goes out next week so we need to move quickly on deciding what school or school district would be eligible for the funding. Amy questioned whether we should go with what the current NOFO says or if we should just do the 61701 schools because they currently don't have funding from us. It was suggested that we use the same NOFO we used last year for the NOFO going out next week.

Amy provided a copy of the Illinois At-A-Glance Report Card. She stated that the highlighted portions are the schools that are underperforming. The information in the report card is the most recent information so it has been updated since the last NOFO came out.

There was discussion on the concern that certain zip codes are not applying because they aren't a zip code that is highly impacted. We need to figure out how we reach the schools in the other zip codes and in rural areas. We need to quantify all the variables that we consider to be critical. We will look at redefining the NOFO for CY21. This will be a topic of discussion at a later meeting.

The following items need to be taken out of the NOFO for Embedded Schools

- Bellflower needs to be taken off as a zip code. Bellflower kids attend Blue Ridge School District and Blue Ridge School District is not in McLean County.
- School(s) and/or school district(s) that are currently providing direct funding to a mental health agency for an embedded school and community-based program shall not apply for this funding.

Instead of saying, "...School(s) and/or school district(s) that are currently providing direct funding to a mental health agency for an embedded school and community-based program shall not apply for this funding...", it should state that stronger consideration would be given to those that are not in a formal contract with another agency. Amy is going to write the new NOFO up with the suggestions made and then send it to everyone.

Susan suggested that Amy use the Grant Assistance Application form since it is to be used for future RFP's. This would also ensure it is uniform across the board for McLean County. Trisha is going to send the application Amy.

Funding Guidelines CY21 and Funding Guidelines Calendar:

Amy provided the Funding Guideline CY21 Calendar with the packet. The group reviewed the document and made some changes. The following are the changes or edits that the members discussed:

- **April 6, 2020-** Behavioral Health Policy and Funding Committee was changed to April 1, 2020
- **April 8, 2020-** MHAB By-laws taken off as an action item. The BOH is not the one to act on the MHAB by-laws
- **April 24, 2020-** Adult Psychiatry Parameters and Embedded School Parameters for CY21 instead of June 1, 2020. This will give more time for the group to discuss parameters and the needs in the community. Remove, "...Advise recipient of Embedded School funding..."
- **May 4, 2020-** Funding Focus areas should be a continued discussion item instead of an action item. Recommendations should also be part of the discussion. RFP/NOFO should also be a discussion item. We need to discuss the contract being a multiyear contract instead of a one-year contract.
- **June 1, 2020-** Adult Psychiatry Parameters and Embedded School Parameters for CY21 would be a continued discussion item. The Mental Health Advisory Board should be encouraged to attend this meeting to be part of the discussion. Defining Outcomes should also be part of the discussion. This meeting will be a longer meeting from 11-2:00pm. Lunch will be provided.
- **July 6, 2020-** This meeting will be a long meeting as well from 11-2:00pm with lunch provided.
- **July 13, 2020-** Instead of Publish NOFO it should state Notice NOFO

- **August 3,2020-** It was suggested that we would discuss multiyear funding options.
- **September 7,2020-** We will leave the 7th open in case we need to have a meeting.
- **November 2, 2020-** Evaluate the Funding Process

Action Items:

Recommendation to Board of Health on Parameters for Embedded School and Community Intervention Program for FY21

Judy made motion to approve excluding the paragraph we discussed taking out as well as the removal of Bellflower because their school is not in McLean County.

Carla seconded motion
Motion carried

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 1:40pm

Next Meeting is April 1st @ 11:30