

# Minutes

**WIDCCC Advisory Committee Location:**

**Southwest District Health – 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, ID, 83607**

**Conference/Video Information: Optional**

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**Date:** November 8th, 2023 **Time:** 1-2pm



	Agenda Item	Presenter	Discussion	Next Steps
1:00	Call to Order	Kelly A. Chair	Introduction and call for any additional agenda items. -Meeting called to order at 1:02pm -Introduction of staff in-person and online -Attended: Karla Burleson, Vito Kelso, Kelly Aberasturi, Chriss -Wheeler, TJ Orthmeyer, Nikki Zogg, Cas Adams, and Guest: Bethany Fitch -Not in attendance: Sheri Ainsworth	
1:02	Meeting Minutes	Kelly A. Chair	Call for any revisions to the October meeting minutes -Vito motioned to approved minutes, Karla seconded, all approved	
1:05	SWDH Updates	Cas A. SWDH	<p><i>Updates:</i></p> <p>Western Idaho Youth Support Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Waiting for final approval to open in a temporary location in Nampa (Pathways of Idaho location) 6 minutes from the long-term location</li> <li>-Design plan/permitting process going smoothly; expect to have a contractor in place end of year</li> </ul> <p>WIDCCC Budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Have not heard back about the request for the St. Luke’s Community Health Improvement Fund</li> <li>-Nikki is on the board for this and they will be reviewing applications next week!</li> <li>-Cas applied for a small grant through Intermountain Health and will apply again at the start of the new year; we may also be eligible for a larger grant from Intermountain – more to come!</li> <li>-BoH may be approve allocation of funds to WIDCCC if needed</li> </ul> <p>2024 Advisory Committee Schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-This day and time still works for everyone, so Cas will set up a new meeting invite for 2024</li> </ul> <p>WIDCCC Building:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Dick Armstrong closed on the building on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – the new building owner will send over the lease extension agreement hopefully this week</li> <li>-Cas to invite the new building owner to the next WIDCCC advisory committee or meet with them at another date/time/location as convenient for them</li> </ul>	

			<p>-Request from committee for SWDH to meet with IDHW and then JFAC, if appropriate, for plans related to crisis center agreements and funds in the future</p> <p><b>New member:</b></p> <p>-Rebekah Koepnick from IDHW sent in an application to be on the committee again</p> <p>-BoH approval not required</p> <p>-Cas to send application to Vito's replacement – Bethany Fitch, IDOC</p>	
1:15	Pathways Monthly Presentation	Annie B. Pathways	<p><i>Monthly WIDCCC Presentation:</i></p> <p>Census, admissions, demographics, presenting concerns for October</p> <p>-Served 54 individual clients, 84 total client visits, majority male, average age 39, mostly Caucasian, mostly from Canyon County, (some from Boise, Ada, Owyhee, and Payette Counties), 10.64 average length of stay</p> <p>-12 referrals from LE (more than the month prior), but mostly self-referrals</p> <p>-Mostly saw individuals with co-occurring MH/SUD, but some from MH only, SUD only, and neither</p> <p>-Referred many people to housing services, job/vocational services, substance use recovery, mental health services, and a small amount to primary care, emergency department, and inpatient</p> <p>-Diversion include prevention people from using drugs or alcohol, sleeping outside, going back to jail or being arrested, going to the hospital, or attempting/completing suicide</p> <p><b>Success stories</b></p> <p>-Developed a partnership with Deseret Industries for free clothing for WIDCCC clients (walking distance from WIDCCC) and they received a donation of clothing in-house</p> <p>-Created a partnership with Tru Living Recovery in Nampa</p> <p>-Conducted a walk-through of WIDCCC with St. Luke's Social Work Team and will start receiving referrals from them</p> <p>-Making headway with the Mobile Crisis Unit out of Payette</p> <p>-Trunk'r'treat went very well – they had to go back to the store for candy and gave out food to neighborhood families who were very appreciative</p> <p>-They plan to provide hot food to people the week of Thanksgiving, as well</p> <p>-A meeting is set up with Nampa Family Justice Center to develop a partnership</p> <p>-11/16 WIDCCC will be passing out resources at the Region 3 Housing Coalition</p> <p><b>Challenges</b></p> <p>-Need the washer/dryer replaced ASAP; they are both malfunctioning</p> <p>-Bethany has contacts that may be able to help with this; St. Vincent de Paul and RC Willey might be another options for donation</p> <p>-Biggest issue right now is with the EMT basics: EMTs are required to be Idaho certified, which requires 300 hours under the supervision of a medical director, which WIDCCC and Pathways does not have locally; these issues are leading to difficulties with staffing, but an EMT is a requirement to be able to see clients; fire departments and other organizations do have capacity to provide</p>	

			<p>volunteers; the EMTs have to get their 300 hours elsewhere or they will need to get their 300 hours until the direction of a medical director associated with Pathways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Options to consider: 1) Terry Reilly Medical Director 2) Pathways LPN 3) SWDH Medical Director</li> <li>-Annie to start w/ Terry Reilly Medical Director to see if he has the capacity to support this effort</li> <li>-Law enforcement also remains a challenge</li> <li>-Discussion included helping LE define their role in mental health and other insights including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Defining requirements for referrals (LE should bring anyone and let the crisis center determine if they need a different level of care)</li> <li>-Highlighting the brief intake process</li> <li>-Telehealth process and/or transportation process for LE who can't transport out of their region</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-See above</li> </ul>	
1:55	Wrap up	Kelly A. Chair	<p>Next steps and any assignments</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm</p> <p><b>ACTION ITEMS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-WIDCCC to meet w/ Chief Ingram of Caldwell PD and have a transparent conversation about how to best support people experiencing severe mental health challenges – Can Vito or Bethany coordinate this?</li> <li>-WIDCCC to present at the quarterly meeting that Brian Taylor holds with LE leadership in Canyon County – Can Vito or Bethany coordinate this?</li> <li>-Cas to investigate search engine optimization of website</li> <li>-Cas to present print material content for LE at next meeting</li> <li>-Bethany to help Annie with the washer/dryer (consider reaching out to St. Vincent de Paul as another option)</li> <li>-Annie to reach out to Terry Reilly Medical Director for support with EMT issue</li> </ul>	Next Meeting: December 13, 1-2pm