



# Commission on Mental Health and Substance Abuse System of Care Sub-Committee

## Commission on Mental Health and Substance Abuse Members

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## Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2023, 1:00pm

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair.

Roll call was taken by Aaron Platt.

### **Present:**

Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair, Commissioner

Secretary Jason Weida, Commissioner

Dr. Kelly Gray-Eurom, Commissioner

Dr. Uma Suryadevara, Commissioner

Director Taylor Hatch

Melanie Brown-Woofter

Gail Ryder

Charlene Zein

Nicole Sharbono

Mike Watkins

Nancy Dauphinais

Manuel Arisso

### **Absent:**

Secretary Eric Hall

The Honorable Mark Mahon, Commissioner

Melissa Larkin-Skinner, Commissioner

### **1. Introduction of Commissioners and Resources**

*Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair*

Secretary Harris reviewed the impetus behind the creation of this subcommittee.

Each member briefly introduced themselves.

### **2. Review of Statutory Duties for Subcommittee**

*Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair*

Secretary Harris addressed the charge of this subcommittee; she suggested that we begin diving into the first responsibility of the subcommittee, which is conducting a review and evaluation of the management and functioning of the existing publicly supported mental health and substance use disorder system and services across agencies, including identifying gaps and opportunities.

### **3. Interim Report Contributions – Timeline for Submittals**

*Dr. Jay Reeve, Commission Chair*

Dr. Reeve discussed the timeline for the Commission. The commission will run through the end of 2026, with a report due to the legislature in 2027.

There is an interim report due in January 2024, one in 2025, and at the end of 2026.

Dr. Reeve reviewed Sunshine Laws as they pertain to the subcommittee. Those serving on the subcommittee as subject matter experts are not considered formal members of the Commission and therefore can engage in fact finding in concert with other subject matter experts. Subject matter experts may also work with Commission members, but only one Commission member may be present, otherwise it must be publicly noticed.



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Votes taken on this subcommittee will only be done so by Commission members.

Information discovered in the subcommittees shall be brought back to the full commission meeting via a publicly noticed meeting.

DCF will write the reports. Information for the reports should be given to the department no later than September.

## 4. Future Meeting Schedule

*Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair*

Secretary Harris proposes a monthly meeting cadence of 2 hours.

Secretary Harris asked members to review the meeting packet prior to the June meeting. Members are encouraged to make sure services checked off in their areas are accurate so the subcommittee can do a deeper dive.

Additionally, members are asked to consider emerging issues with the system of care. Secretary Harris made specific note of care coordination and data sharing.

Melanie Brown-Woofter shared that the subcommittee should consider social determinants of health in addition to clinical findings and consider an innovative approach to offering new services as necessary.

## 5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## 6. Closing Remarks

*Secretary Shevaun Harris, Subcommittee Chair*

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.