



Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

Children and Youth Behavioral Health Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2023

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members

Jay Reeve, PhD
Chairperson

Representative Christine
Hunschofsky, Co-Chair
Speaker of the House Appointee

Senator Darryl Rouson
President of the Senate Appointee

Clara Reynolds, LCSW, MBA
Governor Appointee

Ann Berner
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President of the Senate

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Larry Rein
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Governor Appointee

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Lee Fox
President of the Senate Appointee

Shawn Salamida
Speaker of the House Appointee

Secretary Shevaun L. Harris
Department of Children and
Families

Secretary Jason Weida
Agency for Health Care
Administration

Uma Suryadevara, MD
Speaker of the House Appointee

Wesley Evans
President of the Senate
Appointee

Richard Weisberg, CRPS
President of the Senate
Appointee

Welcome/Call to Order

Representative Christine Hunschofsky, Subcommittee Chair, opened the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Subcommittee meeting and called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. Commissioner Hunschofsky asked that Aaron Platt, Staff Liaison, proceed with roll call.

The following members or designees were in attendance

Jay Reeve, PhD, Chairperson (Governor Appointee: Apalachee Center)
Representative Christine Hunschofsky (Speaker of the House Appointee)
Larry Rein (Governor Appointee: ChildNet)
Maria Beldsoe, Subject Matter Expert
Peggy Aune, Subject Matter Expert
Shila Salem for Secretary Shevaun Harris (Department of Children and Families)
Patricia Medlock, Subject Matter Expert

The following guests were in attendance

Sue Gallagher, Children's Services Council of Broward County
Heather Lincicome, Apalachee Center
Tammy Tucker, PSYD, Memorial Healthcare System

Review and Approval of the July 12 and July 26, 2023, Meeting Minutes

A motion was entered to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried, all in favor. Minutes were approved with no opposition.

Statewide Baker Act Presentation

Shila Salem, Assistant Deputy Secretary for the Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in the Department of Children and Families, presented an overview of the involuntary examinations of minors (Baker Acts) and improvements executed under House Bill 945.

Action Item: Ms. Salem to provide trend utilization data for high utilizers of Baker Acts and the number of beds by county to the Subcommittee.

Broward Youth Baker Act Study and Data System

Sue Gallagher, Chief Innovation Officer for Children's Services Council of Broward County, presented on the Broward Youth Baker Act Community Participatory Action Research Project. Ms. Gallagher discussed the supported care coordination, integrated data system, and connection to the community participatory action research.



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Psychiatric Consultation Liaison Team

Heather Lincicome, Chief Liaison Officer of the Apalachee Center and Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare Service Line Administrator, presented on the Tallahassee Memorial Behavioral Health Care inpatient psychiatric hospital and the joint venture with the Apalachee Center and, behavioral health integration and acute care hospitals. Tammy Tucker, PSYD, with Behavioral Health Services at the Memorial Healthcare System, updated on the pediatric emergency department and the behavioral health services offered.

Public Comments

Stacy Maldonado, Member of the Public, shared a personal experience with Lee County Law Enforcement and Florida's acute behavioral health care system, particularly the Baker Act.

Janet Ward, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Parent's Information and Resource Center in Pompano Beach, Florida, voiced in support of the Subcommittee and the work being completed.

Adjournment

Representative Hunschofsky noted the Subcommittee is drafting recommendations for the August 15, 2023, full commission meeting.

Jay Reeve, PhD, advocated for the Subcommittee to consider a recommendation on public awareness and education in terms of accessing the behavioral health system of care.

The date for the next Subcommittee meeting is August 9, 2023.

A motion was entered to adjourn. Motion carried with no opposition. Meeting adjourned at 11:54 am.