

# Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Finance and Workforce Sub-Committee

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### **Meeting Minutes**

February 8, 2024 10:00 am – 11:00 am Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

#### Welcome/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Commissioner Shawn Salamida, Subcommittee Chair Delegate.
Roll call was taken by Aaron Platt.

#### The following members or designees were in attendance

Shawn Salamida, Subcommittee Chair Delegate
Dr. Jay Reeve, Commission Chair (Governor Appointee)
Mercedes Bosque, Subject Matter Expert
Tom Wallace, Subject Matter Expert
Lynne Daw, Subject Matter Expert
Shay Chapman, Subject Matter Expert
Nikki Wotherspoon, Subject Matter Expert
Natalie Kelly, Subject Matter Expert

## Review and Approve Meeting Minutes From the March 27, July 17 and October 2, 2023 Subcommittee Meetings

Subcommittee could not establish a quorum; therefore, no vote was taken on minutes.

## Opening Remarks – Review of subcommittee 2024 Interim Report Recommendations

Commissioner Salamida reviewed the Finance subcommittee recommendation included in the January 1, 2024, 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Commission Report. SME Natalie Kelly expressed thoughts on the Opioid funding.

#### Review of Finance and Workforce Subcommittee Statutory Duties

Reviewed statutory charge for the Finance and Workforce subcommittee and introduced the new Workforce duties. Overall funding for the existing publicly supported behavioral health system will shift to the System of Care subcommittee while the Finance and Workforce subcommittee will examine opioid settlement funding and workforce issues.

## Commission Update and Review of 2024 Finance and Workforce Subcommittee Areas of Focus

Chair Reeve informed the subcommittee the Legislature is looking for direction from this Commission regarding recommendations geared towards the behavioral healthcare workforce. This subcommittee should present draft recommendations at the in-person Commission meeting in August 2024 with final recommendations by September 2024. Chair Reeve suggest a joint meeting between this subcommittee and the System of Care subcommittee to



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ensure synergy with recommendations. Chair Reeve mentioned the Live Healthy Bill addresses some behavioral healthcare workforce issues.

#### **Open Call for Subcommittee Presentations/Speakers**

Presentations for Finance and Workforce subcommittee to address three main focus areas, recruitment, retention and compensation. Topic areas include but are not limited to:

- Department of Children and Families presentation on their mission and objectives to address behavioral healthcare workforce issues and the different pathways/strategies to address.
- Agency for Health Care Administration presentation on their mission and objectives to address behavioral healthcare workforce issues.
- Presentation from the Florida Behavioral Health Administration on workforce issues.
- Department of Health Presentation on licensure and the different tasks and functions or scope of practice for each type of behavioral healthcare license.
- Panel of front-line staff to gain perspective from individuals with boots on the ground.

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment

#### **Closing Remarks**

Subcommittee Chair Delegate Commissioner Salamida provided closing remarks.

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned approximately 11:00 am.