

**Lenawee-Livingston-Monroe-Washtenaw  
Oversight Policy Board Minutes  
May 28, 2020  
Meeting held electronically via Zoom software**

Members Present: Mark Cochran, Kim Comerzan, William Green, John Lapham, Dianne McCormick, Ralph Tillotson, Monique Uzelac, Tom Waldecker,

Members Absent: Amy Fullerton, Ricky Jefferson, David Oblak, Dave O'Dell

Guests:

Staff Present: Stephannie Weary, James Colaianne, Nicole Adelman, Rebecca DuBois, Matt Berg, CJ Witherow, Katie Postmus, Alyssa Tumolo, Michelle Sucharski

Board Secretary M. Cochran called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

1. Introductions
2. Approval of the Agenda  
**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by J. Lapham, to approve the agenda with the addition of Discussion about Residential Treatment Services with respect to COVID-19 in New Business**  
**Motion carried**  
Vote  
Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker  
No:  
Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell
3. Approval of the January 23, 2020 Oversight Policy Board minutes  
**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by K. Comerzan, to approve the January 23, 2020 OPB minutes and the February 27, 2020 minutes**  
**Motion carried**  
Vote  
Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker  
No:  
Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell
4. Approval of the February 27, 2020 OPB minutes  
**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by K. Comerzan, to approve the January 23, 2020 OPB minutes and the February 27, 2020 minutes**  
**Motion carried**  
Vote  
Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker  
No:  
Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell
5. Audience Participation
  - None
6. Old Business
  - a. Finance Report

- M. Berg presented.
- M. Berg requested to update the finance report by including a column for prior year-to-date amounts. OPB members agreed.
- T. Waldeck requested that the budget information for PA2 Reserve be shown next to actual year-to-date usage.

7. New Business

- a. Request for Approval for PA2 Funding for FY19 Livingston County Naloxone Purchase  
**Request by W. Green, supported by D. McCormick, to approve PA2 Funding for FY19 Livingston County Naloxone Purchase**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell

- b. Request for Approval for PA2 funding for FY20 Monroe Access Coverage

- Block grant funding will be the primary source of funding. PA2 would only be used if there is not enough available in block grant funding.

**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by W. Green, to approve for PA2 funding for FY20 Monroe Access Coverage**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell

- c. Request for Approval for PA2 funding for FY20 COVID-19 Related Recovery Housing

- Request is for a 30-day extension above the pre-existing 60-day authorization.
- N. Adelman will bring back an estimated of costs/totals as invoices come in from providers.
- R. Tillotson expressed concern about the potential cost for room and board per person.
- OPB preferred to add a caveat to the request, to include a cap on spending of \$27/individual/day for the 30-day extension.

**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by M. Uzelac, to approve PA2 funding for FY20 COVID-19 Related Recovery Housing, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$27/day per individual in addition to the overall total not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell

- d. Request for Approval for PA2 funding for Home of New Vision MARR Certification

- OPB discussed the reasoning for paying for this certification for a provider.
- As a new certification that is recommended, but not required, the cost for the certification is not in the provider's budget.
- Staff would like to gauge the value of this certification, to determine if it should be required or not. PIHPs across the state are conferring with each other to determine the value of the certification, and if/how to implement going forward.
- R. Tillotson requested to include a caveat in the motion that stipulates a 1-year approval only, to give staff and the provider the opportunity to determine the

certification's value and to give the provide time to build the certification's cost into its budget if necessary.

**Motion by R. Tillotson, supported by W. Green, to approve PA2 funding for Home of New Vision MARR Certification for a 1-year period**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell, Waldecker\*

\*T. Waldecker was not present on the meeting call for this vote.

e. OPB Bylaws

- Staff submitted revised OPB bylaws to include electronic attendance to count toward a meeting quorum and subsequent votes, after the governor's order expires.
- The Open Meetings Act is silent on an electronic quorum.
- OPB requested to have a final legal review before approving bylaws.
- T. Waldecker recommended adding language to the bylaws about requiring a roll call vote for electronic meetings.

**Motion by T. Waldecker, supported by R. Tillotson, to table the Bylaws agenda item, pending legal review**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell

f. Review Membership and Appointment to Regional Board

- OPB reviewed current board membership and vacancies.
- For the requirement regarding members with a history of substance use disorders, this can include those who are currently in services and those who are successfully in recovery.

g. Discussion about Residential Treatment Services with respect to COVID-19

- Some residential treatment providers have been using telehealth in residential settings. Telehealth services in a residential setting is not a billable Medicaid service. Not allowed by Medicaid manual.
- Staff will bring back the issue next month to discuss what the funding implications would be.
- A request may come to use some PA2 dollars to cover these services if necessary.
- Staff will gather more information and will bring more details back to OPB next month.

8. Report from Regional Board

- R. Tillotson and J. Colaianne provided an overview of the May Regional Board meeting.

9. SUD Director Updates

a. Coronavirus and Providers

- Staff working with Treatment and Prevention providers on how their programming is changing as a result of COVID-19
- Staff regularly checks in with providers on potential needs for personal protection equipment.
- A \$2/hr increase has been passed for direct care workers providing services in COVID-related-related environments on the mental health side. There has recently

been discussion regarding the same premium payment for SUD providers in the same circumstances.

b. RFP Process

- 3 Prevention RFPs were delayed 1 month. They were released this month, along with 1 RFQ. All 4 can be found on the CMHPSM website and are available on the MITN web site. A link to MITN is posted on [www.cmhpsm.org](http://www.cmhpsm.org).
- Staff will send a request for readers soon to OPB members.

c. Strategic Plan

- Strategic planning is underway for both CMHPSM as a whole and the SUD team.
- The SUD strategic plan will be presented to OPB in July for approval, and then on to the Regional board.

d. MDOC Update

- MDOC consumers are now being processed through the PIHP. Things are going as well as expected, particularly given COVID-19 required changes in process.

e. GAIN Update

- The GAIN is no longer being required by the state. PIHPs are working to come up with an alternative standardized assessment tool to propose to the state.

f. SOR 2

- STR funding ended in April. SOR and SOR Supplemental funding continue. SOR 2 is a new funding source, also opioid-related. SOR 2 may allow for the continuation of some of the services that had been covered by STR, along with new services. Funding is expected to start 10/1 so awards should be announced this summer.

10. Adjournment

**Motion by R. Tillotson, supported by J. Lapham, to adjourn the meeting**

**Motion carried**

Vote

Yes: Cochran, Comerzan, Green, Lapham, McCormick, Tillotson, Uzelac, Waldecker

No:

Absent: Fullerton, Jefferson, Oblak, O'Dell

- Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

**Next meeting: June 25, 2020**

**Location TBD**