HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES STEERING COMMITTEE

*Riverside Hotel –Aspen Room*

*IAC Midwinter Conference ~ Boise, ID*

*Wednesday, February 8, 2017 ~ 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM*

MEETING AGENDA

3:30 PM Call to Order - Chair, Helen Edwards, Gooding County Commissioner

* Welcome and Introductions
* Approval of September 2016 Meeting Minutes
* Glen Bailey and Doug Zenner motion carried.

3:35 PM CAT Board Update – Roger Christensen, Bonneville County Commissioner & Kathryn Mooney, CAT Program Director

Roger Christensen stated that the new CAT cases for 2016 totaled $16,558,741.00. In 2016 there was about 1990 mental health cases. This could be due to a lack of services. Over the years the budget has gone down. The legislature had many concerns about the high number spent on these cases. The CAT fund has worked together with the indigent fund to become more efficient and to save money.

Counties are doing a good job of doing reimbursement. Since our counties are not medical experts, medical reviews have helped our counties save money.

Elt Hasbrouck asked why there are counties that have a zero next to them. Roger Christensen mention that some of the smaller counties may not have any, as they have fewer cases.

Kathryn Mooney stated that it has taken about a year to build the Indigent Manual because there was a conversion from a word document to a web-base document. The Indigent Manual be housed on the Bonneville County server and they will maintain the site. Kathryn Mooney will be hosting training all over the state.

4:00 PM Health District Update – Carol Moerhle, Public Health District 2

* Public Health District Appropriations Formula Legislation

Carol Moerhle stated that there was legislation introduced to work on the appropriation formula; however, the legislators have agreed to let the trustees work on this instead. The first meeting will be in March to discuss options for possible changes. The expectation is that the board of trustees will have progress made by June.

Joe Larsen mentioned that when he discussed the issue with his district legislators, to included Speaker Bedke and Representative Fred Wood, there would be legislation if the board of trustees could not come to an agreement.

* Other updates

Tom Lamar stated he is working on a pilot program for crisis centers in five hospitals. This would allow them to have services in each county instead of just one county for the region.

4:20 PM Legislative Update – Corey Surber, St. Alphonsus

Corey Surber stated she works with Close the Gap to try to get the legislature to leverage federal funds to cover the gap population. There were a couple of proposals last year. The legislators do not have a firm agreement of what the solution should be; however, they have agreed that there is a problem and that an agreement that Idaho should not wait to make a change.

The legislature does not like the idea of using federal fund and are considering using the Millennium Funds instead.

The proposals at the state level have been primary care based. At the federal level there has been a promise of repeal of the ACA. This would take 60 votes and they have 52 votes. It appears there will not be a full repeal. Congress has been working on the budget reconciliation process, which allows them to repeal certain provisions. Congress has also been working with the Governors around the country to see what they would like to see. Close the Gap has been working on making sure there is a replacement for the repeal. There needs to be protections for some parts of the ACA.

4:40 PM Youth Empowerment Services (YES) – Pat Martelle, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

Patricia Martell stated that she works on the Jeff D Lawsuit. The Jeff D Lawsuit stemmed from the courts. The courts thought Idaho did not have enough services for children with serious emotional disturbance. The court decided that Idaho was not putting forth enough effort to fix the issue. Mediation was ordered and then a settlement agreement was formed.

In the agreement, it is stated that Idaho must satisfy the terms by 2020. Idaho needs to adopt a common philosophy and principles of care. Common tools need to be used. This will provide a structure that will increase understanding. One other tool that will be used is the Child and Family Team. There are formal and informal teams.

Youth Empowerment Services are for those who have not reached their 18th birthday.

Kelly Aberasturi asked who is going to fund this after the three years. Patricia Martell stated she was not sure who would fund this program after the three year period. Patricia mentioned that the programs might directly impact the counties through the BHBs.

5:00 PM Adjourn

Members Present:

Helen Edwards, Gooding County, Chair

Glenn Bailey, Bonner County Commissioner

Bryon Reed, Bonneville County Commissioner

Joseph Larsen, Cassia County Clerk

Abbie Mace, Fremont County Clerk

Pauline Malone, Lewis County Treasurer

Dotti Owens, Ada County Coroner

Robert Poleki, Bannock County Clerk

Vaughn Rasmussen, Bear Lake Commissioner

Angenie McCleary, Blaine Commissioner

JoLynn Drage, Blaine County Clerk

Doug Zenner, Nez Perce County Commissioner

Bill Lasley, Power County Commissioner

Elting Hasbrouck, Valley County Commissioner

Betty Thomas, Washington County Clerk

Carol Moerhle, Idaho Public Health District 2

Members Not Present:

Glenda Poston, Boundary County Clerk, Vice Chair

Tom Dale, Canyon County Commissioner

Shelly Shaffer, Butte County Clerk

Radene Barker, Bannock County Treasurer

Cindy Garner, Bear Lake County Clerk

Pam Garlock, Boise County Coroner

Paul Christensen, Cassia County Commissioner

Bill Leake, Teton County Commissioner

Pamela Barrett, Clark County Clerk

Denise Gill, Gooding County Clerk

Colleen Poole, Jefferson County Clerk

Kimber Ricks, Madison County Commissioner

Kelly Aberasturi, Owyhee County Commissioner

Betty Dressen, Payette County Clerk

Donna Peterson, Payette County Treasurer

Other Guests:

Kelli Brassfield, IAC Staff

Kathryn Mooney, CAT

Patricia Martell, IDHW

Corey Surber, St. Alphonsus