

# **Community Supports Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes**

1 Civic Plaza, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Risk Management Conference Room (Room 9027)  
May 2, 2017 from 5-7

## **1. Members Present**

Paul Hopkins  
Kathy Finch  
Laura Tuzinowski  
Marcia Harris  
Vernor Westerberg  
Melissa Beery  
Ann Waldorf  
John Schoeppner  
Robin Connell  
Nancy Jo Archer

## **2. Members Excused**

Mika Tari, HSD Behavioral Health Division (Technical Advisor)

## **3. Staff Members Present**

Amir Chapel, UNM ISR  
Ellen Braden COA  
Margarita Chavez, Bernalillo County  
Andrew Vallejos

## **4. Call to Order**

Chair, Paul Hopkins called the meeting to order at 5 pm

## **5. Discussion to Approve Agenda**

The agenda was reviewed and adopted.

## **6. Discussion to Approve Minutes**

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.

## **7. Key Items of Discussion**

### **A. Old Business**

No old business was conducted

### **B. New Business**

1. Staff presented elements of potential case management concepts. Case Management is a general term for individualized services to assist clients with substance abuse or a mental health diagnosis to connect to supportive and ancillary services through the assistance of an intensive case manager.

The discussion included the desire to have case management as a “needs based” service rather than an “eligibility based” service. Discussion included having an “intensive” case management and a “step-down” case management. Referral sources and target client population were also discussed.

The City of Albuquerque Family Services Department also discussed the re-allocation of money to develop substance abuse case management for clients with substance abuse or co-occurring disorders.

2. The Chair of the Crisis Sub-Committee, Rick Miera; Jim Ogle and Margarita Chavez presented concepts relating to “respite/ stabilization/ recovery” services for people stepping down from acute care or from a behavioral health crisis into a safe environment that could assist in stabilization, and resiliency. There was discussion of crisis subcommittee and the community supports committee working together in developing an “intermediate level” of care.
3. The staff gave a brief update on committee membership, upcoming election of chair and vice-chair of the sub-committee, and a short discussion on conflict of interest.

### **8. Next Meeting and Adjourn**

The next meeting was scheduled for June 6, 2017. The committee adjourned at 7pm.