

**Crisis Services  
Meeting Minutes  
October 18, 2017 2:00-3:30 PM  
2501 San Pedro NE Albuquerque 87110**

**Voting Members:** JIM OGLE, RICK MIERRA, CAROLINE MONIE, BETTY WHITON, VALERIE ST JOHN, DIANA FOSSE, DIANNA SPILCA, BUCK SANCHEZ

**Non - Voting Members:** JANE KEEPOR, MIRIAM VERPOLEGH

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**1. Call to Order**

- a. The meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm by Chair Jim Ogle

**2. APPROVAL of AGENDA**

- a. Buck Sanchez moved to approve the agenda, Betty Whiton seconded, motion passed.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Betty Whitton moved that the minutes of September 20, 2017 be approved as presented, Rick Miera seconded. Motion passed.

**4. New Business- No new business**

**5. Old Business**

- a. **Steering committee update:** Steering committee currently discussing “Teaching, Training and Education” proposal brought forward from the Prevention committee. Proposal was sent back to committee to make changes. Suggestion was made by Jim Ogle to insure that employers are considered as a target population needing training in how to engage with those living with mental illness. The COA recently approved and will be publishing a proposal for “Intensive Case Management” for those with a primary SUD diagnosis. The community supports committee will be developing a similar proposal that will focus on those with a primary MH diagnosis.
- b. **BCC Update:** The BCC approved an administrative structure and name change for the Department of Behavioral Health Services. This will include 19 new positions for the department.
- c. **MCT/RRC Update:** MCT contract being routed for signatures hoping to implement services late November/ early December. RRC still on schedule to open in May. Ongoing hiring process for a program specialist to manage RRC.
- d. **Crisis Services Needs Scenarios:** Scenarios given to committee to review and fill in blanks to identify gaps in existing services.
- i. **What happens to clients NEXT clinically?** Main gap identified by group included what happens after an admit or when someone does not meet admit criteria. Committee agrees that this is a major gap that needs to be addressed through BHI and partners.

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- ii. **Where do they stay?** Brief discussion on the significant need for housing both short term and long term. A second issue was raised by member to discuss the need to address transportation gaps.

**6. Public Comment – No public comment**

**7. Next meeting**

- a. **November 15, 2-17- NAMI Albuquerque**

**8. Adjournment**

- a. A motion was made by Diana Fosse to adjourn meeting. A second was made by Buck Sanchez and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 PM seconded, motion passed.