1. **Welcome and Review of Agenda**

Secretary Pamela Hyde called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 pm. She noted this was an open session and that a quorum was present.

**Attendees**

- Sec. Pam Hyde, HSD
- Sec. Dorian Dodson, CYFD
- Designate Sec. Dr. Alfredo Vigil, DOH
- Deputy Sec. Teresa Gomez, IAD
- Director Pat Putnam, DDPC
- Deputy Sec. Rick Martinez, DFA
- Deputy Sec. Erma Sedillo, NMCD
- Asst. Deputy Sec. Ricardo Campos, DOT
- Director Mary Beresford, GCD
- Linda Roebuck, CEO BH Collaborative
- Lionel Holguin, MFA
- Kristine Jacobus, HPC
- Gary Beene, DVR
- Jacqueline Cooper, PDO
- Michelle Welby, GHPC
- Peter Bochert, AOC
- Jack Callaghan, CYFD

2. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Secretary Hyde moved to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2007 meeting. Director Gary Beene seconded, and the motion passed.

3. **BHPC Report – Trinidad de Jesus Arguello**

BHPC Chair Trinidad de Jesus Arguello reported that the BHPC is now at 79-80 members of the BHPC of which 50-51% are new members to the Planning Council.

On May 23, 2007 BHPC meeting and orientation session was provided for new members of the Council as well as for former members.

On May 29 thru June 1, 2007, Trinidad attended the “Joint National Conference on Mental Health Block Grant and National Conference on Mental Health Statistics” in Washington, DC. Consumers, family members, advocates, providers and State and Federal officials met. The theme of the conference was “The Future of Public Mental Health Systems.” There were three meetings of the National Association of Mental Health Planning and Advisory Councils (NAMHPAC).

As a result of Trinidad’s attending the meetings with the NAMHPAC she has presented and asked for approval by the BHPC to contact the NAMHPAC to bring them to New Mexico and provide training and technical assistance to the Executive Committee of the Planning Council as well as the Planning Council as a whole. She obtained approval from the BHPC to contact the NAMHPAC to schedule a training session.
She made a recommendation to the Collaborative to support future standard training on Robert’s Rule of Order Procedures for all new Planning Council members prior to their first Council meeting.

There was a presentation during Planning Council that related to Criteria and Formulary for non-Medicaid Funded Psychotropic Medications stimulated strong negative reactions from some Council members. Comments related to the following:

- Consumer/families not involved in the development of the Formulary.
- Members questioned legislative (Bill) process that lead to the development of the Formulary.
- Questions related to the eligibility criteria used.
- Why were psychiatrist only surveyed and not consumers? “Consumers are the ones that take the drugs.”

As a result of these questions and interest in the process taken to develop the criteria an Ad Hoc subcommittee of consumers and families was created to advise the Collaborative in upcoming implementation of non-Medicaid medication criteria.

Sec. Hyde informed and reminded Trinidad that she and Secretary Dodson and Linda Roebuck will be meeting with the Planning Council Executive Committee on July 25, 2007.

Total Community Approach
Marizza Montoya-Gansel reported that the TCA (Total Community Approach) workgroup met to review and discuss the data gathered by the Substance Abuse Epidemiology Unit/Epidemiology & Response Division. The EPI data was based on the criteria set and approved by the Collaborative. The workgroup recommends Total Community Approach Funding for four Local Collaboratives. See handout/attachment. In recommending communities for funding the following was taken into consideration: severity of substance abuse problem, recent funding for a meth initiative, recent capital funding but no funding for services and capacity to implement new services. It was recommended that all of LC 1, not just Rio Arriba County be targeted for the $100,000 planning funds; that LC 8 also receive $100,000 in planning/capacity development funding; that Local Collaborative 15 partner with Local Collaborative 11 specifically to target drug issues in McKinley County; and that Local Collaborative 4 partner with Local Collaborative 10 and 9 to coincide with the proposal to fund substance abuse in eight counties, pursuant to the plan these counties have been developing. The plan with the discussed changes was approved by the Collaborative.

Children’s Pilot
Linda Roebuck gave an update on the status of the Children’s Pilot. The Pilot was started in April with providers located in Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Las Cruces. A regional workgroup, a state steering team and a collective learning group have been put into place. Each of the workgroups meets regularly to discuss issues that providers and family members are encountering. Some of the issues that have come up are: the referral process is not as family friendly as it could be, the target population needs to be expanded, provider trainings and rates.
State Plan Amendment – Update on CCSS and MST
A state plan amendment to have CCSS and MST added to the State Medicaid Plan has been submitted to CMS but there have been some difficulty with CMS approving these additions. Efforts to resolve these issues continue.

PTSD
Linda Roebuck reported that the Sandoval County pilot is starting and asked that this be put on the August or September agenda for a full report rather than an update.

Cultural Competency
Pam Sanchez reported that HED is currently in the process of putting together a task force to work on Cultural Competency in the workforce across the state. The Collaborative suggested that Pam Sanchez take this to the BHPC as there is a concern about the proliferation of advisory committees, and that these kinds of issues should be going through the BHPC to be addressed.

5. CBHTR Status – Linda Roebuck, Steve Adelsheim, Bill Flores
CBHTR will take the form of a consortium or a “virtual” institute that is based outside of any one particular state agency or university, and that represents the best interests of all stakeholders concerned about the quality of behavioral healthcare in New Mexico.

The Consortium will be managed by an Executive Council appointed by the Co-Chairs of the Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative and the Secretary of the Higher Education Department. The CEO of the Behavioral Health Collaborative and the Deputy Secretary for Academic Affairs Planning and Research of the Higher Education Department will serve as Co-Chairs of the Consortium. The Executive Council will be supported by a New Mexico Advisory Council of Stakeholders, and a National Expert Advisory Council, recognizing that the BHPC needs to be involved as the overarching advisory council.

Initially, CBHTR will focus on hiring an interim director and begin an evaluation of current state initiatives. Funding for CBHTR will be developed from a wide variety of sources, including federal and foundation grants as well as state and university partnerships; initial funding comes from the state’s behavioral health transformation grant. Linda asked that the Collaborative accept this proposal as a way to begin, with CBHTR evolving as experience is gained. The Collaborative accepted this initial proposal.

6. ValueOptions Enhanced Services and Community Reinvestment Funding – Detailed Plan for FY08 – Chris Carson, Linda Roebuck
Chris Carson reported on the Enhanced Services and Community Reinvestment Funding for FY08. Last month VONM presented to the Collaborative some ideas about how to move forward with Enhanced Services and Community Reinvestment. The Collaborative requested that VONM present a detailed plan on ways to move forward with both Enhanced Services and Community Reinvestment. VONM is recommending a transition year in which they standardize service definitions across all funding streams, including the Medicaid Enhanced Services; work closely with all providers and consumers as this evolution occurs; dovetail other Collaborative initiatives with the Enhanced Services and Community Reinvestment funded services to move forward in the transformation of the system; have an ultimate goal of a 67/33 split for Enhanced Services/Community Reinvestment but that goal
may not be reached this fiscal year since the service delivery system has to evolve towards this goal; and begin the process of moving some tried and true services towards a more sustainable funding scheme. Secretary Hyde moved the Collaborative adopt the general direction the report suggests, but that the Collaborative require VONM to go back to the BHPC and the Service Definition work group for input; VONM holds out at least 10% for Community Reinvestment; VONM spend no more that 30% in the first quarter without the Collaborative CEO’s approval; and that VONM bring back to the Collaborative a plan for managing the funds over a 12 month period and with more population profile information. The requested information needs to be provided to the Collaborative at least 5 business days prior to the next Collaborative meeting. Director Gary Beene seconded, motion passed.

7. **ValueOptions Rate Equalization and Incentive Activities and Plans – Pam Galbraith, Linda Roebuck**

Pam Galbraith reported on Rate Equalization. She gave a brief overview of the goal, purpose and history of rate equalization. Pam G also informed the Collaborative of VONM’s plans for Actions for Implementation of Uniform Rate Plan. The outcome expectations for the plan will be consumer and family choice; flexibility in the system; maximal use of financial resources to better meet consumer needs; ability to collect common data and measure outcomes across the system.

The Collaborative asked Pam Galbraith to bring back to them the six items that VONM would like the Collaborative’s approval on. Pam agreed to have the plan back to the Collaborative by July 15, 2007, assuming the Medicaid rate changes were finalized in time. See handout/presentation; it is available on the website.

8. **Public Input**

Roque Garcia – Rio Grande Behavioral Health and Kathleen Hunt – Border Area Mental Health

They are concerned that if BHSD rates go to fee for service it will significantly impact providers. There are some benefits to fee for service and some benefits to the 1/12th draw. The requirements for all providers needs to be reviewed, and they need to be standardized across the state. The Collaborative should consider finding additional funding to infuse the entire system with more money.

Nancy Jo Archer – Hogares, Inc.

Nancy echoes the need for more money for providers. She has major concerns with CBHTR. Universities and colleges don’t train providers for the real world. The plan needs to be more inclusive of consumers and family members; it needs to address the needs of the whole community. Nancy suggested that Steve Adelsheim and other members of CBHTR look at Wrap Around Milwaukee as a model.

Carol Luna-Anderson – Life Link

Carol also has concerns with CBHTR, she echoes what Nancy Jo Archer commented on and also feels strongly that consumers and family member should be included.

Peter Cubra

Peter expressed his concerns with Enhanced Services and the fact that VONM is denying these services to individual clients he represents. He asserts that his clients have a right to those services. Peter indicated that he believes four residential treatment centers across the
state have closed because VONM is paying for fewer kids in residential treatment service settings.

Douglas Frasier – Co-Chair of LC 13
Douglas was asked to be on the CBHTR committee, and he feels that CBHTR is a good program, but it needs to get going.

Bruce Evans – Co Chair LC 1
Bruce has concerns with the lack of participation LC 1 is receiving from consumers and family members. He feels that the lack of participation is because some consumers and family members do not feel the state will listen to their concerns. He also feels there needs to be more money put into the behavioral health system.

9. **FY09 Legislative & Budge Priority Setting – Karen Meador**
Karen Meador gave a brief update on the Legislative & Budget Priorities process and instructions to Local Collaboratives about the process. She is hoping to have recommendations for budget priorities in the next two weeks from Local Collaboratives. She will bring those budget recommendations back to the Collaborative before the September 1 budget deadline. She is also hoping to have some of those recommendations presented at the July Collaborative meeting. The handout has been posted to the website.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.