Native American Subcommittee  
of the Behavioral Health Planning Council  
DRAFT Minutes of May 24, 2011 Meeting

The meeting began with an Invocation.

Roundtable introductions were made.

Agenda: Gail Falconer moved to accept the agenda; seconded by Gov. Rick Vigil. Agenda was approved by committee.

Minutes: Andrea Shije moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Gail Falconer. Committee approved the minutes.

Donna Kipp reminded the committee that current local collaborative vacancies will remain vacant until July. Local collaborative and other have the opportunity to renew current members or add new members. Names are due to Letty by June 30, 2011.

NASC SUMMIT
- NASC Summit will take place on June 20th, Monday, at the Indian Cultural Center; tentatively from 1pm-5pm, with lunch served at the noon hour.
  - Agenda will reflect the current NASC Priorities, and a section on behavioral health issues affecting Native American veterans
  - Potential agenda items: Panel for veterans; Suicide prevention; Housing; Historical Trauma
- UNM said they would co sponsor event
- The planning team meets immediately after this meeting to work on the agenda and speakers
- No NASC meeting next month; the summit will take its place.

Discussion and recommendations for Summit topics included some of the following:
- Invite non natives, including the Behavioral Health Planning Council Executive Committee, its subcommittees and Collaborative agencies;
  - ACTION: Chris Wendel, Chair of the Council, agreed to get the word out to the other subcommittees
- Consider making this a “working summit” instead of presentations-only summit
- Invite someone from OptumHealth to talk about integrating the work of the subcommittees and local collaboratives
- Update on the work being done by the grantees of the $2million Suicide Prevention funding provided by the Collaborative
  - ACTION: Carolyn Morris, OptumHealth, will provide contact information
- Include a youth perspective
- Include something for/on elders
- Include information on health care reform, Medicaid redesign and other Managed Care Organization (MCO) issues that will affect Native Americans.

OTHER
1. A Health Care Reform Stakeholder meeting, sponsored by the Human Services Department, is scheduled on June 8th at 37 Plaza la Prensa, Santa Fe, NM. This meeting is soliciting input from Native Americans. Several concerns were raised by the committee, including –
   - Information has not been widely distributed.

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• People are not well informed about changes; appears that a select few are making decisions that affect rural and frontier areas.
• There is a lot of misinformation in communities
• Communication could be improved.

**ACTION:** Donna Kipp will talk with Priscilla Caverly about these concerns. It was suggested that she be added to the July agenda to provide information on Medicaid and Health Care Reform.

2. Request was made to send out the BHPC bylaws to LCs regarding membership.
**ACTION:** Letty will send out.

3. Request was made to send out the appointment form designating local collaborative members to the subcommittees.
**ACTION:** Letty will send out.

4. Suggestions for future NASC agenda topics:
   • Alicia Smith – Medicaid Redesign contractor for the Collaborative
   • SB417 – creates a statewide clearing house; but not funding; for suicide prevention; Sen Lovejoy; creates data and create state cultural appropriate native suicide prevention initiatives; directed to Collaborative;
   • UNM CBTHR initiatives
   • Drug courts and programs in Tohajali

**ACTION:** Donna will meet with Secretary Allison regarding bills and memorials that were passed in this legislative session and any follow up on the process to date.

5. Reconsider using teleconference or videoconference for those who live outside of the area.
**ACTION:** Donna will talk with Sec. Allison regarding teleconferencing for future meetings.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
• June 24th tentative date for Sandoval County /LC16
• June 28-29 – youth conference (where?)
• LC15 meets on June 17
• June 9 – open comment period for SAMHSA Block grant
• June 20 – Alamo meeting
• LC16 – youth powwow on June 18, at Santa Ana Star Casino Center in Bernalillo
• Communities can request for funding sponsorship to attend behavioral health events from OptumHealth. Contact Anne Powers at anne.powers@optumhealth.com

• Contact Troy Hunt if you are a provider who is experiencing issues with claims that are not being reimbursed, let troy hunt know. Troy.hunt@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned after a closing prayer at 10:30.