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BHAC Peer Support & Recovery Services Subcommittee Notes April 8th, 2025 10:00-11:00am

Co-Chairs - Brent Morris and Vanessa Hardy Vice-Chair - Tara Williamson

Symposium Planning Chair - Zac Cannada

Block Grant Funding

We will have to complete the other form for our recommendations. The form will be sent out and a google document with be created so that we can all add on our information, research links etc. A workgroup will be schedule for those interested in participating.

2025 Montana Peer Support and Recovery Services Symposium, 9/5

 Zac has been meeting with the planning committee members to assist with symposium, reach out to him if interested

Update on status of Peer Support Medicaid Policy Revision Recommendations

• BHAC approved the revisions at their December meeting, Issac Coy is waiting for the official notice to work up the fiscal impact and submit to the Medicaid Director we anticipate we will not hear until later this summer.

New Opportunities

Statewide Sequential Intercept Model Mapping Summit – May 28th and 29th in Helena. Montana DPHHS-BHDD is hosting. This event is aimed to identify and respond to the mental and behavioral health needs of individuals who are involved or at risk for involvement in the criminal justice system via an intercept process. tatalanna.pugmire@mt.gov

Stigma in the Workplace. Tuesday April 29, 2025 11:30am-1:00pm Recovery Friendly Workplace Community. shannansproull@gmail.com

Mountain Pacific is assisting the Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services (DPHHS) to learn how recovery work is being framed and offered in Montana, including the prevalence of certified behavioral health peer support specialists (cBHPSS), the model(s) being used, how standards are being

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implemented, what training is offered and the availability of services. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MT_recovery_services_eval Due April 7th.

https://www.storiesforaction.org/podcast/episode/22c7f6c9/the-sober-life-recovery-through-community-in-montana-and-beyond

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 13th, from 10:00-11:00am on Zoom