

**NORTH SOUND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 11, 2012
1:30 PM**

AGENDA

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1. **Call to Order; Introductions – Chair Kershner**
2. **Revisions to Agenda – Chair Kershner**
3. **Approval of Minutes– Chair Kershner Motion #12-040**
 - **To review and approve the minutes September 13, 2012 4-14**
4. **Comments & Announcements from the Chair**
5. **Reports from Board Members**
 - **County-specific updates on Health Care Reform**
6. **Comments from the Public**
7. **Report from the Advisory Board – Candy Trautman, Chair**
8. **Report from the Executive/Personnel Committee – Dave Gossett, Chair**
9. **Report from the Quality Management Oversight Committee – Rebecca Clark, Chair**
10. **Report from the Planning Committee – Anne Deacon, Chair**
11. **Report from the Executive Director – Joe Valentine, Executive Director..... Tab 1**
12. **Report from the Finance Officer – Bill Whitlock, Fiscal Officer Tab 2**
13. **Report from the Finance Committee – Ken Stark, Chair**
14. **Consent Agenda – Finance Committee Motion #12-041**

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To review and approve North Sound Mental Health Administration's claims paid from September 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 in the amount of \$5,491,127.56. Payroll for the month of September in the amount of \$119,982.72 and associated employer paid benefits in the amount of \$57,074.78

15. Action Items

Motion #12-042..... Tab 3

Release an RFQ to select providers for NSMHA funded Outpatient, Medication and Intensive Outpatient Services. The RFQ will be released by October 30, 2012 and the new contracts will begin October 1, 2013.

Motion #12-043..... Tab 4

Adopt the 2013-2016 NSMHA Strategic Plan which includes 7 goals divided into 2 categories: Priority A and Priority B. Priority A will include 3 of the goals and for each of the Priority A goals 3 strategies and a specific work plan will be implemented and regular progress reports made to the Board.

Motion #12-044

CRISIS TRIAGE:

The following motion is amended to provide the Skagit Triage capital funding to Skagit County and not to Pioneer Human Services.

TO AMEND SEPTEMBER 14, 2012 MOTION #12-035 REPLACING THE ORIGINAL LANGUAGE:

NSMHA-PIONEER HUMAN SERVICES-CRISIS CENTER-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to provide fifty percent (50%) of the capital funding to upgrade the facility, Skagit County is providing the remaining fifty percent (50%) of costs. The amount of increase is \$137,050 for a new maximum consideration of \$1,045,332. The term of the Agreement remains the same.

WITH THE LANGUAGE BELOW:

NSMHA-SKAGIT COUNTY-ADMIN-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to provide fifty percent (50%) of the capital funding to upgrade the facility, Skagit County is providing the remaining fifty percent (50%) of costs. The amount of increase is \$137,050 for a new maximum consideration of \$192,214. The term of the Agreement remains the same.

Motion #12-045

SMHC

NSMHA-WCPC-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 3 for the provision of increasing WCPC's flex fund budget by \$15,000 for a new maximum consideration on this Agreement of \$1,863,055. The term of this Agreement remains the same.

16. Introduction Items

16.1

To introduce for review the Proposed 2013 NSMHA Operating Budget.

16.2

The following amendments are to provide fund balance to the respective counties and/or the counties chosen contractor to increase housing opportunities and housing support for individuals with mental illness who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. This funding is time limited due to the nature of the fund balance. These contracts were based on allocations to the counties and are an exception to the competitive bidding process. Purchases involving the Interlocal Agreement can be an exception to the competitive bidding requirements per policy #3028.

COUNTY

NSMHA-ISLAND COUNTY-ADMINISTRATION-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of increasing the funding on this Agreement by \$20,000 for a maximum consideration of \$71,032, the term of this Agreement remains the same.

NSMHA-SKAGIT COUNTY-ADMINISTRATION-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of increasing the funding on this Agreement by \$41,667 for a maximum consideration of \$233,881, the term of this Agreement remains the same.

NSMHA-WHATCOM COUNTY-ADMINISTRATION-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of increasing the funding on this Agreement by \$30,833.33 for a maximum consideration of \$93,807.33, the term of this Agreement remains the same.

STATE MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACT

NSMHA-SNOHOMISH COUNTY-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 3 for the provision of increasing the funding on this Agreement by \$405,000 for a maximum consideration of \$3,239,069.67, the term of this Agreement remains the same.

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 3 for the provision of increasing the funding by \$36,666.64 for a maximum consideration of \$10,409,864.64, the term of the Agreement remains the same.

17. State Auditor's Office Exit Conference for Review of Fiscal Year 2011, 3:00 p.m.

18. Adjourn

Next Meeting: November 8, 2012

**NORTH SOUND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 13, 2012
1:30 PM**

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Kathy Kershner, Whatcom County Council member, NSMHA Board of Directors Chair
Ken Dahlstedt, Skagit County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, San Juan County Council member
Helen Price Johnson, Island County Commissioner
Ken Stark, designated alternate for Snohomish County Executive, Aaron Reardon
Cassie Haines, designated alternate for Snohomish County Council member, Brian Sullivan
Candy Trautman, NSMHA Advisory Board Chair
Mark McDonald, NSMHA Advisory Board Vice Chair
June LaMarr, designated alternate for The Tulalip Tribes, Sheryl Fryberg
Regina Delahunt, designated alternate for Whatcom County Executive, Jack Louws

Staff Present:

Joe Valentine, Bill Whitlock, Greg Long, Annette Calder, Margaret Rojas, Lisa Grosso

Guests:

Dean Wight

1. Call to Order; Introductions

Chair Kershner called the meeting to order at 1:30 and welcomed everyone; introductions were made.

2. Revisions to Agenda

Chair Kershner asked if there were any revisions to the agenda; there were none.

3. Approval of Minutes

Chair Kershner asked if there were any changes to the minutes of August 9, 2012, there were none. Ken Dahlstedt moved approval, seconded by Ken Stark and opened for discussion. Candy noted she is not listed as attending. Chair called for the vote with amendment adding Candy to the attendance list, all in favor, **motion carried, #12-029.**

4. Comments & Announcements from the Chair

Chair Kershner stated that she didn't have any announcements.

5. Reports from Board Members

Chair Kershner asked if there were any reports from Board members; there were none.

6. Comments from the Public

Chair Kershner asked if there was anyone from the public that would like to comment. Dean Wight from Whatcom Counseling and Psychiatric Clinic addressed the Board regarding the Fund Balance request, specifically a request that WCPC made that was selected to not be funded. The amount requested was 131,515 from the RSN and the balance from fees generated at the clinic. Secondly, he really encourages the Board to reconsider the NSMHA staff recommendation not to fund the project. He said that if the concern was setting a precedent about funding primary care that already takes place with E&T funding. He said this is

not a request for an ongoing funding stream; it is one-time funding for start up. He said incorporating primary care will increase life expectancy of people with mental illness. Although this may not fit the traditional types of funding that NSMHA supports this would certainly enhance the lives of the clients with mental illness. Dean noted 20 percent of WCPC's clientele do not have primary care until they are hospitalized. Dean asked the Board to reconsider NSMHA staffs funding recommendation.

Ken Stark responded to Dean that if NSMHA chooses not to fund this, to approach the health plans and medical clinics to fund this. Dean noted that he has already done this, and WCPC plans to bill Medicaid for services rendered. He said he has approached community clinics in Bellingham to see if they would staff the clinic if WCPC provides the space, to date no clinic is willing to do this.

7. Report from the Advisory Board

Candy Trautman reported:

- The Advisory Board met on September 11th and the following items were discussed:
 - The final draft of the 2013 RFQ was presented and Susan Ramaglia recommended adding “gravely disabled” to the third paragraph under #4 Evaluation & Treatment Center. A recommendation was made to send forward to the Board of Directors as amended for review and approval in October.
 - Revised Advisory Board By-Laws were presented and approved.
 - Candy Trautman and Mark McDonald gave a brief summary of their experiences attending the Systems of Care Conference.
 - Discussion occurred about a newly developed “Discussion Form” for future meetings and members were asked if this would meet their request. Members agreed this would work.
 - It was mentioned that Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) was being provided today in Skagit County and Candy stated Island County would be having CIT in the fall.
 - As an FYI the Whatcom County Triage Center has a new number 360-676-2020.
- The following reports were given:
 - Executive Director
 - Finance/Executive Committee
 - Planning Committee
 - Quality Management Oversight Committee (QMOC)
 - Individual County Representative
- Joe presented actions and introduction items that were going to be brought before the Board of Directors for approval and review, respectively. A motion was made to recommend approval of actions items going before the Board of Directors.
- The DRAFT Strategic Plan was reviewed and Joe asked that any additional input be sent to him ASAP because it would be coming back next month for approval. Joe acknowledged suggestions given today are excellent and noted for consideration.

Candy was thanked for her report.

8. Report from the Executive/Personnel Committee

Kathy Kershner reported that there was a joint meeting with the Executive/Personnel Committee and the Finance Committee today and all items discussed will be addressed during this meeting today.

9. Report from the Quality Management Oversight Committee

Greg Long reported:

- QMOC met on August 22nd and the meeting included the following:
- Customer Satisfaction Survey
- Semi-annual Critical Incident and Second Opinion Reports
- Proposed NSMHA Training

- Integrated Crisis Response Services - ICRS Policy and Crisis Module
- Grievance System Review
- Transferring between Providers
- Requests for Readmission

Greg was thanked for his report.

10. Report from the Planning Committee

Greg Long reported the Planning Committee met on August 17 and everything discussed will be addressed at this meeting today. The Planning Committee addressed:

- NSMHA Strategic Plan
- Health Care Homes
- 2013 Draft RFQ
- Fee for Service Rate Increase
- Regional Health Alliance Task Force

Greg was thanked for his report.

11. Report from the Executive Director – Joe Valentine, Executive Director

Joe Valentine reported:

- **Update on “HealthPath Washington” – Strategy One and Strategy Two for Dual Eligibles**
Strategy 1: after the last Board meeting, NSMHA submitted its Letter of Intent signaling our interest in being part of a “Health Home Network”. We have also talked with most of our providers as well as Skagit, Island, and San Juan County staff who are interested in working with us on developing a Health Home Network that would serve these 3 counties. The State will be holding regional forums in September or October to provide more details to those who submitted Letters of Intent. An RFP will follow. The state indicated that it will be rolling out these networks on a regional basis starting in March or April of next year.
- **Strategy 2:** Joe and Greg continue to participate along with county staff in meetings with the state to negotiate what terms would be included in the RFPs to select the Managed Care Organizations that would provide fully capitated services to Dual Eligibles. The state has agreed to our request to not include Crisis Services and ITA services in the capitated plans – these services would remain that responsibility of NSMHA. In addition, the selected Managed Care Organizations would also be responsible for paying for psychiatric hospitalization costs, including hospitalizations in Western State. The timeline for issuing the RFP for Strategy 2 has been pushed back to January of next year.
- **Update on Regional Health Alliance**
 The proposed composition for the initial steering committee is being finalized and invitations will go out in the next couple of weeks for the initial meeting. We’re working with Dale Jarvis on the work plan for the committee. Jennifer Kingsley, the Skagit County Community Services Director, has agreed to chair the committee with staff support from NSMHA.
- **External Quality Review Site Visit by Acumentra Health, 09/24-28/2012**
 The Social Security Act requires States that operate Medicaid managed care programs to provide for an external, independent review of their managed care organizations. Each year **Acumentra Health** conducts these reviews of RSNs on behalf of DSHS. This year the 2012 compliance review will cover Quality Assessment/Performance Improvement, Compliance Fraud & Abuse, Encounter Data Validation, Performance Improvement Projects, and Information Systems Capability Assessment. Advance work is being performed by NSMHA Staff prior to the site visit, including participation in pre-site conference calls and the collection and submission of requested documents. The EQR includes advance review of documents submitted, review on site of documents not transmitted due to PHI, interview of NSMHA and provider agency Staff and on site review of provider records. A draft

report is issued by Acumentra within a few months of the site visit, to which NSMHA may respond, prior to the report being finalized.

- **State Audit**

The State Auditor's office has also completed its annual audit of NSMHA and will present its findings at the October NSMHA Board of Directors meeting. The meeting will be scheduled to start at 1:00 instead of 1:30 in order to provide time for their presentation. No major findings are anticipated.

- **State Contract Changes**

One of the changes imposed by the state in its October 2012 amendment to the RSN contracts is the requirement that RSN's can no longer contract for direct services unless they contract with a Certified Mental Health Agency. This would preclude county agencies from providing these services directly except for Snohomish County. However, based on our request for a waiver to this requirement, the state has tentatively agreed to create a new limited certification that counties could apply for to provide jail services only.

- **2013 NSMHA Board Strategic Planning Session**

We're proposing that the regular February 14, 2013 Board Meeting be converted into a daylong strategic planning session devoted to reviewing changes in the health care system, and the role that NSMHA should play in regional health care reform initiatives.

Joe was thanked for his report.

12. Report from the Finance Officer

Bill Whitlock directed the group to Tab 2 and reviewed the Revenue and Expenditure report.

- This is the August 2012 financial report. Revenue for the DDD (Division of Developmental Disabilities Crisis Prevention and Stabilization Services Contract) is low. It has a negative variance of \$29,921. At this time we think this negative variance may be a timing issue. The state funds have a negative variance of \$127,847. We are not sure if it is a timing or permanent variance at this time. We received more Medicaid revenue than projected in 2012. This is increasing our fund balance issues.
- On the expense side we have negative variances of \$6,971 and \$1,542 in the Small Tools and Operating Rentals budget. At this point we anticipate these to be permanent variances. The Insurance and Repair and Maintenance have negative variances of \$8,705 and \$1,003 respectively. We think these are timing variances.
- We have completed our annual financial review with the State Auditor's Office. There are a few recommendations but no findings at this time. We are trying to schedule the audit exit conference before the October Board meeting. You will be receiving an invitation from the State Auditor's Office for the exit conference.

Bill was thanked for his report.

13. Report from the Finance Committee

Ken Stark reported the Finance Committee had a joint meeting with the Executive/Personnel Committee today, reviewed all claims for August. Ken Stark recommended approval of motion #12-030, seconded by Ken Dahlstedt, all in favor, **motion carried, #12-030.**

14. Consent Agenda – Finance Committee Motion #12-030

All matters listed with the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each Board Member for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one action of the Board of Directors with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request of a Board Member.

To review and approve North Sound Mental Health Administration's claims paid from August 1, 2012 through August 31, 2012 in the amount of \$4,906,089.58. Payroll for the month of August in the amount of \$121,309.66 and associated employer paid benefits in the amount of \$57,236.59.

15. Action Items

Joe noted all contracts in motion #12-031 were introduced last month and explained that the state has extended the Federal Block Contracts. Helen Price Johnson moved approval of motion #12-031, seconded by Ken Stark, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Motion #12-031

Mental Health Block Grant

The State has decided to continue the current MHBG contracts for an additional nine (9) months and is prorating the funding for the period of the amendment. The current contract funding does not carry over into the amendment cycle; all 10/1/11-9/30/12 billings must be to NSMHA by October 15, 2012, as is standard practice. NSMHA will reapply for MHBG funds in March of 2013 for a contract start date of July 1, 2013. Below are the contract amendments that are being brought before the Board for action:

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$113,787 for a new maximum consideration of \$265,503.

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH BAILEY PEER CENTER-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$112,500 for a new maximum consideration of \$262,500.

NSMHA-CONSUMER VOICES ARE BORN (CVAB)-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$112,500 for a new maximum consideration of \$262,500.

NSMHA-HOPE OPTIONS-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$27,138 for a new maximum consideration of \$71,322.

NSMHA-ISLAND COUNTY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$44,625 for a new maximum consideration of \$59,047.

NSMHA-OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL ADULT-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$35,175 for a new maximum consideration of \$84,325.

NSMHA-OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL YOUTH-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$35,175 for a new maximum consideration of \$83,125.

NSMHA-SAN JUAN COUNTY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$21,750 for a new maximum consideration of \$38,750.

NSMHA-SENIOR SERVICES-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$30,750 for a new maximum consideration of \$82,194.

NSMHA-SKAGIT COUNTY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$39,413 for a new maximum consideration of \$98,963.

NSMHA-SNOHOMISH COUNTY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$47,250 for a new maximum consideration of \$130,250.

NSMHA-SUN COMMUNITY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$44,250 for a new maximum consideration of \$103,250.

NSMHA-TULALIP TRIBES-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$48,750 for a new maximum consideration of \$113,750.

NSMHA-WCPC RAINBOW RECOVERY-MHBG-11-12 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the contract by an extension of nine (9) months for a new end date of June 30, 2013 and to amend the maximum consideration by an increase of \$112,500 for a new maximum consideration of \$270,834.

Motion #12-032

To approve the proposed increase for Fee For Service reimbursement rates effective October 1, 2012 as described in the Proposed FFS Based Rate Changes document under Tab 3.

Joe noted motions #12-032, 12-033 and 12-034 are all related and provided and explained the motions. Ken Dahlstedt moved approval, seconded by Ken Stark, and opened for discussion. Chair Kershner called for the vote, all in favor, **motions carried, #12-032, #12-033 and #12-034.**

Motion #12-033

PREPAID INPATIENT HEALTH PLAN (PIHP/MEDICAID)

On October 1, the Department of Social and Health Services added a number of new requirements to its PIHP [Medicaid] and State contracts with RSNs. Some of these requirements will also need to be added to NSMHA's contracts with its provider agencies. The amendments below will add the necessary requirements to provider contracts as well as implement any budget changes resulting from the rate increase proposed in Motion 12-032.

DSHS-DBHR-NSMHA-PIHP-11-13 AMENDMENT 3 for the provision of technical and substantive changes to the requirements in the contract. Review of new contract terms is underway and we are anticipating it will have an impact on service providers and counties. The term of the agreement and the funding allocation remain the same.

NSMHA-BRIDGWAYS-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. The maximum consideration is increased by \$74,610 for a new maximum consideration of \$1,719,731

NSMHA-CCSNW-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. The maximum consideration is increased by \$24,246 for a new maximum consideration of \$3,970,972

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 3 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-INTERFAITH-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-LAKE WHATCOM CENTER-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. The maximum consideration is increased by \$31,608 for a new maximum consideration of \$1,901,208

NSMHA-SEA MAR-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-SUNRISE SERVICES-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-WHATCOM COUNSELING & PSYCHIATRIC-MEDICAID-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule and any requirements of the provider based on the NSMHA PIHP amendment with DSHS. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. The maximum consideration is increased by \$67,941 for a new maximum consideration of \$4,958,192.

Motion #12-034

STATE MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACT (SMHC)

On October 1, the Department of Social and Health Services added a number of new requirements to its PIHP [Medicaid] and State contracts with RSNs. Some of these requirements will also need to be added to NSMHA's contracts with its provider agencies. The amendments below will add the necessary requirements to provider contracts as well as implement any budget changes resulting from the rate increase proposed in Motion 12-032.

NSMHA-BRIDGWAYS-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-CCSNW-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-INTERFAITH-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-LAKE WHATCOM CENTER-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-SEA MAR-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

NSMHA-SUNRISE-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. The maximum consideration is increased by \$30,798 for a new maximum consideration of \$981,302.

NSMHA-WHATCOM COUNSELING & PSYCHIATRIC-SMHC-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to include the approved NSMHA fee schedule. The term of the agreement remains the same, ending on September 30, 2013. There is no change to the maximum consideration.

Motion #12-035

CRISIS TRIAGE/CENTERS

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-CRISIS TRIAGE-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to provide capital funding to upgrade the kitchen at the facility. The amount of increase is \$202,780 for a new maximum consideration of \$2,565,035. The term of the Agreement remains the same.

NSMHA-PIONEER HUMAN SERVICES-CRISIS CENTER-11-13 AMENDMENT 1 for the provision of amending the budget to provide fifty percent (50%) of the capital funding to upgrade the facility, Skagit County is providing the remaining fifty percent (50%) of costs. The amount of increase is \$137,050 for a new maximum consideration of \$1,045,332. The term of the Agreement remains the same.

NSMHA-WHATCOM COUNSELING & PYSCHIATRIC-TRIAGE CENTER-11-13 AMENDMENT 2 for the provision of amending the budget to provide funding for the crisis stabilization beds. The amount of increase is \$223,117, of one time funding, for a new maximum consideration of \$1,315,268. The term of the Agreement remains the same.

Joe addressed the group regarding motion #12-035 stating that NSMHA worked with the County Coordinators regarding the triage proposals, noting that these are one-time funding requests. He added that all three counties are using county money to help fund the triage centers. He said going forward we will need to look at how the triage centers are funded so that we can sustain them.

Ken Stark moved approval of motion #12-035, seconded by Ken Dahlstedt, and opened for discussion. Chair Kershner called for the vote, all in favor, **motion carried.**

Motion #12-036

PROGRAM OF ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT (PACT)

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH-PACT-12-13 for the provision of a half PACT team (50 participants) in Skagit County. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013 for a maximum consideration of \$577,264.

Margaret Rojas explained the PACT motion to the Board and provided some history. Helen Price Johnson moved approval, seconded by Ken Stark, all in favor, **motion carried #12-036.**

Motion #12-037

PROJECT for ASSISTANCE in TRANSITION FROM HOMELESSNESS (PATH)

DSHS-DBHR-NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH PATH-12-14 for the provision of PATH services in Snohomish County. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012 for a maximum consideration of \$138, 820.

DSHS-DBHR-NSMHA-WHATCOM COUNSELING & PYSCHAITRIC-PATH-12-14 for the provision of PATH services in Whatcom County. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 for a maximum consideration of \$45,452.

NSMHA-COMPASS HEALTH PATH-12-14 for the provision of PATH services in Snohomish County. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 for a maximum consideration of \$138, 820.

NSMHA-WCPC PATH-12-14 for the provision of PATH services in Whatcom County. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 for a maximum consideration of \$45,452.

Margaret Rojas addressed the Board regarding the PATH program noting they are very successful programs. Jamie Stephens moved approval of motion **#12-037**, seconded by Candy Trautman, all in favor, **motion carried.**

Motion #12-038

TRIBAL

To approve the NSMHA Advisory Board recommendation of inviting three (3) Tribal representatives to the Advisory Board Membership with one (1) shared vote.

Background: The State contract has historically required RSNs to formally invite regional Tribes to join the Advisory Board membership. NSMHA has made invitation inquiries, however the Tribes never expressed an interest in a seat on the Advisory Board. However, they did request seats on the Board of Directors, which resulted in adding three Tribal seats to the Board of Directors with one (1) shared vote. Most recently, the Tribes have indicated an interest in a seat on the Advisory Board and have made a formal request for said seat. The Advisory Board discussed the request at their July meeting and has made the above recommendation in form of a motion.

Joe informed the board that he meets with the 8 sovereign tribes in our Region regarding the 7.01 Plan (a government to government agreement), Ken Stark moved approval, seconded by Ken Dahlstedt, and opened for discussion. Chair Kershner called for the vote, all in favor, **motion carried #12-038.**

Motion #12-039

Motivational Interviewing

NSMHA-OHSU-PSC-12 for the provision of regional Motivational Interviewing training to commence on October 11, 2012 with completion by December 31, 2012. The term of this Agreement is October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 with a maximum consideration of up to \$25,000.

Greg provided a handout and reviewed Motivational Interviewing with Board; discussion followed. Regina Delahunt moved approval, seconded by Jamie Stephens, all in favor, **motion carried, #12-039.**

16. Introduction Items

16.1

Release an RFQ to select providers for NSMHA funded Outpatient, Medication and Intensive Outpatient Services. The RFQ will be released by October 30, 2012 and the new contracts will begin October 1, 2013.

Lisa Grosso addressed the Board regarding the RFQ, noting that Planning Committee and Advisory Board have reviewed and recommended changes that have been incorporated into the draft located under Tab 4. Group discussion took place. Lisa was thanked for her report.

16.2

Adopt the 2013-2016 NSMHA Strategic Plan which includes 7 goals divided into 2 categories: Priority A and Priority B. Priority A will include 3 of the goals and for each of the Priority A goals 3 strategies and a specific work plan will be implemented and regular progress reports made to the Board.

Joe directed the group to Tab 5 and reviewed the Strategic Plan goals and objectives with the Board. Joe said this will be brought back to the Board in October for adoption.

16.3

To approve the allocation of the NSMHA Fund Balance dollars for the specific programs and authorize NSMHA Executive Director, Joe Valentine, to negotiate specific contract terms with each of the provider agencies.

Joe reviewed the process NSMHA went through regarding the Fund Balance proposals. Joe noted that some of the items included in proposals cannot be funded with Medicaid funds. He said that the amount of the proposals noted on the sheet is not necessarily the amount that will be funded. Meetings and contract negotiations will take place once the Board approves the recommendations in October. Joe said that even after these projects are funded, there will be a balance of Medicaid funds that will be added to our current Medicaid balance and a more focused review and process will take place to see what else we can do with this funding.

Chair Kershner asked if we can revisit the WCPC proposal in light of what we have heard today. Joe said absolutely but must note that we can only pay for capital improvements with State funds; discussion followed regarding NSMHA funding and allowable uses of that funding. Dean added that a few things have led to this fund balance from his understanding: 1. More eligibles increased our revenue, 2. We estimated high on inpatient costs that never materialized, 3. There has been no rate increase in five years; the outpatient providers are doing a good job and if it is not illegal could look at retroactive rate increase.

Mark McDonald stated we know how many Medicaid eligibles we have, but wants to know how many have major mental illness; discussion followed.

Regina asked if money was set aside for housing; Joe said yes, approximately \$2 million dollars and provided some background for the group. He said the County Coordinators will finalize this at their September meeting and we hope to bring contracts to the October meeting of this Board for approval.

17. Adjourn

Chair Kershner thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 11, 2012