

Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board next steps  
9.7.21

**1. Regional Board Infrastructure development**

- a. Review authority in NRS and have LCB provide presentation on intent
- b. Match priorities with authority currently in law
- c. Explore possibility of BDR to align with priorities in coordination with other bodies/ boards
- d. Enhance explore data dashboard
  - i. Healthy communities tomorrow- coordinate with state on their efforts
- e. Continue to advocate for a data analyst

**2. Affordable and supported housing and other social determinants of health**

- a. Have presentation by subject matter experts on housing
- b. Dr. Amy Hynes- Sutherland can serve as liaison with Carson housing committee and identify housing specialist presenting
- c. Social determinants of health: food deserts, outdoor places to play, poor water quality, poverty, and homelessness in our region- John Packham to provide presentation
- d. Nevada Rural Housing Authority presentation

**3. Behavioral health workforce with capability to treat adults and youth**

- a. Dept of Ed awarded for 5 years for schools to continue to build up work force that matches population: training opportunities in middle school and high school. Presentation with Dana Walburn- Ruby Kelley/ Dept of Education on ongoing grant.
- b. Get more information on location flexibility for supervision of interns
- c. Formalize subcommittee to work with partnership to sustain CHW's in the state. Erik
- d. liaison board member attend RNHN, and provide updates to board.
- e. Presentation on Statewide CHW on CDC grant bringing in 50 CHW's to assist seniors

**4. Development of a regional crisis response system (Obtain sustainable funding for current crisis stabilization and jail diversion programs (MOST, FASTT, CIT, and Carson Tahoe Mallory Crisis Center))**

- a. Waiting for CSU billing rates, looking into assertive community treatment, and FEP
- b. Building CHW rate now, waiting for update
- c. Dana Walburn will provide information on opportunity for counties to develop billing consortium
  - i. Jessica will develop monthly Medicaid billing group (regional)

**5. Increase access to treatment in all levels of care**

- a. Look into issues with under insurance or people with no insurance
- b. Connect providers with trauma recovery grant for uninsured youth

**6. Develop services to support continuity of care (i.e. continuation of medication/ service connection with community health worker)**

- a. Bring psychological first aid training to CHW organization
- b. Presentation/ perspectives on benefits of psychological first aid
- c. Table top exercise for BH Emergency Operations Plan