**NPAIHB Behavioral Health Committee – Meeting Minutes**

Suquamish, WA – October 2016

* **Introductions**
* **Update on NARA’s Youth Treatment Center** 
  + Will provide integrated Treatment and Behavioral Health services with imbedded traditional healing practices
    - No detox, youth must be clean for a week
    - Michael will share the intake form with Committee members, if anyone else is interested in a copy
  + Will open in April 2017, and will serve youth and families 13-17 years old
  + Will be open to all NW Tribes to access
  + Tribes can do a direct referral, or go through Krissy, the Behavioral Health Consultant @ PA IHS
  + Space is near Gresham; Will try to get a waiver for the 16 bed rule; Space can accommodate more youth
  + Will have an outreach team (to: homeless youth and schools)
  + Still need to investigate/determine:
    - if/how they can get approval for WA Medicaid patients
    - while the length of stay should be determined by what is in the best interest of the patient, that doesn’t align with 15-30 day rules
* **Update from the AIHC in WA:** AIHC is working on a carve out for a Tribal encounter rate for mental health services. (Currently just includes CD services).
  + Will take effect July 1, 2017
  + In WA, they are requesting that 100% of FMAP savings return to tribal programs.
  + In OR, the saving is split with the Tribes
* **Question re: Medicaid Reimbursement for Peer Behavioral Health Counselors**
  + All three states do reimburse and Tribes are using the program… counsellors need to be certified:
    - OR: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/amh/pd/Pages/approved-training.aspx>
    - WA: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/bha/division-behavioral-health-and-recovery/peer-support>
    - ID: <http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Medical/MentalHealth/PeerSpecialistsFamilySupportPartners/tabid/2935/Default.aspx>
* **Still need more regional Coordination in Behavioral Health Services…**
  + **Question**: What happened to recruiting Dale Walker?
    - Joe Finkbonner is meeting with him on Friday. More detail to come.
  + **SAMHSA Grants:** Want to make sure we create opportunities for coordination and resource sharing.
* **Caroline Cruz provided an update on Oregon’s Tribal Best Practices**
  + They have approval from OR State to use Tribal Best Practices using state funds for intervention/prevention programs
  + Currently includes 22 Best Practices
  + A workgroup meets quarterly to review/add Tribal Best Practices; which is meeting at NARA next Monday
  + Link to website: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/amh/Pages/ebp.aspx>
* **Tribal Behavioral Health Agenda:** <http://store.samhsa.gov/TBHA/feedback/>
  + Comments are due by October 30th
  + Wonderful to see coordination between IHS, SAMHSA, NIHB and tribes in the making of this document. The *need* for this interagency agenda is great and long overdue.
  + David: Hope to roll it out before the end of the current Administration (December)
  + Committee: Would like to support the positive momentum.
    - Board could pass a joint resolution in support of the Agenda.
* Handout: Obama Administration Commitments and Accomplishments re: **Violence against Indigenous Women and Girls**
  + Stephanie will forward the email to Committee members
* **New Issuance IHM 3-31 - Intimate Partner Violence**
  + The following directive was signed by the Principal Deputy Director, on October 4, 2016: Indian Health Manual, Part 3, Chapter 31 - Intimate Partner Violence
  + Please distribute to all employees within your area of responsibility: <https://www.ihs.gov/ihm/index.cfm?module=dsp_ihm_pc_p3c31>