



**Mental Health Core Service Agency  
Advisory Council Minutes  
2/27/17**

**Members:** Rich Bayer, Upper Bay Counseling and Support Services (UBCSS); Jean Marie Kelly, Union Hospital; Tyra Kenly, Department of Juvenile Services (DJS); Fredrick Martin, Perry Point VA

**Ex-Officio Members:** Randy Bradford, Eastern Shore Hospital Center

**Core Service Agency (CSA) Staff:** Tahia Glanton, Julie Wright, and Marianne Redding

**Guests:** Emily Marsan, Rockford Center; Cameron England, On Our Own (OOO); Jerome Garrett, BTST Services; Jada McCray, BTST Services; Amanda Settle, Key Point Health Services; Suanne Blumberg, UBCSS; Time Clarke, Union Hospital; Shane O'Hare, Union Hospital; Pamela Llewellyn, Union Hospital; Dan Coulter, Cecil County Health Department (CCHD); Mary Schaller, Division of Parole and Probation (DPP); Karen Parker, Cecil County Detention Center (CCDC); Meghan Ellis, BTST Services; Amanda Graves, Volunteer- On Our Own (OOO) of Cecil County, Inc.; Joseph King, Volunteer- OOO of Cecil County, Inc.; Stacy Chiveral, CCDC

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m.

Introductions were made.

Minutes from January's meeting were approved as written.

Jada McCray and Jerome Garrett gave an overview of BTST Services, now available in Cecil County- BTST Services, where a "Better Tomorrow Starts Today" is a licensed mental health agency providing comprehensive programming and integrated care to children, teens and adults throughout the state of Maryland. BTST's services are collaborative, as they offer an array of primary and support services, providing their clients with a true "Total Wrap Model". BTST Services began in 2012 as an agency with a focus on mentoring youth. As demand grew, BTST expanded its services to include PRP (Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services) in Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Frederick County, Cecil County, Harford County and Prince George's County. In 2015, BTST again expanded to include an Outpatient Mental Health Clinic to further meet the needs of at risk populations. They now provide medication management, therapy services, PRP services, and groups all under one umbrella. This takes away barriers that hinder access to treatment and allows clients to participate in multiple community services in one location. More detailed information is available at [www.btstservices.com](http://www.btstservices.com).

Rich Bayer gave an update on legislative news.

Marianne reported for Shelly the following:

- The FY18 Behavioral Health Plan was sent to BHA today.

- There are now 12 officers trained in CIT in Cecil County.
- Lisa Smith is no longer with OOO. Cameron England will fill the position in the interim. An official job posting for the position is forthcoming.

Roundtable:

Mary informed the group that DPP will be hosting a resource fair on 4/18/17 and is currently looking for vendors to set up tables at the event. Please contact Mary directly, if interested.

Cameron (OOO) - informed the group that this year's May is Mental Health Awareness Conference will be held on 5/16/17 and is currently looking for presenters for the conference. Please contact Cameron or Tahia, if you are interested.

Marianne took a moment to introduce and welcome Karen and Stacy with CCDC. They are replacing Richette and will be partnering with UBCSS to provide behavioral health services, case management and therapy to those in the detention center. She also announced that DataLink is now being implemented at CCDC. The program will give the detention center medical staff and therapist's information from Beacon Health Options about recent behavioral health services. The program will enable staff to confirm medications, diagnosis and therapy received in the community prior to incarceration in order to facilitate a better transition to services in the detention center and maintain medications when possible.

The group began the Control Influence Matrix exercise to address the gaps in services in Cecil County that were identified in the Community Local Health Improvement Plan. This exercise will continue at each meeting until complete.

The next meeting is scheduled for 3/27/17, at 3:00 pm, in the Cecil County Health Department auditorium.