



# Harvey-Marion County CDDO

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## HARVEY-MARION COUNTY CDDO: BOARD of DIRECTORS

January 22, 2024

### Meeting Minutes

**Location:** HMCDDO Meeting Room, 500 N. Main, Suite 204, Newton, KS 67114 (*Zoom option also available to anyone that requests access*).

**Directors Participating: In Person:** Marilyn Loganbill, Vice-Chair; Jennifer Dies

**Present via Zoom:** Kimberlee Jost; Todd Weeks; Randy Dallke

**Directors Absent:** Kristi Berning, Chair; Mary Gill, Treasurer; Don Schroeder

**Harvey-Marion County CDDO Staff Present:** Kevin Gaeddert, Executive Director; Nancy Plenert, Meeting Recorder

Call to Order. Vice-Chair Marilyn Loganbill called the monthly Board meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Proxies: Marilyn proxy for Mary and Kristi.

Quorum Status: Quorum present.

Public Comment: None. A web link for public access to this meeting was posted with the Newton Kansan and Marion Record. <https://harveymarioncddo.com/meetings>

Minutes of November 20, 2023 Board Meeting.

**ACTION:** Todd moved to approve the November 20, 2023 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Kimberlee and passed by unanimous vote.

Minutes of December 18, 2023 Board Meeting. Due to lack of a quorum, no business was conducted at the meeting. *The December 18, 2023 Minutes were acknowledged.*

Financials: Packets contain the December 2023 Profit & Loss by Class report, the check register report, and balance sheet. At 06 of 12 months (50%), total Income reflects receipt of County Mill, State Aid, CDDO Admin Funds, & BASIS Assessment payments.

- Balance Sheet dated **01/12/2024** reflects HMCDDO Total Assets at **\$310,763.36**
- Current Budget Overages:
  - The ICS Monthly Statement for 12/2023 has been included in this report due to the account balance being over \$250,000.00
  - Kevin explained the PASRR Screen income. These screenings are primarily done to determine the need for nursing home level of care. The CDDO receives \$310.00 per screening. Kevin noted the line items that are over budget, including Trinity Heights Respite Care. The number of



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children they serve has increased, and along with the hourly increase, they will be significantly over budget. We will look at this item closely when working on FY2025 Budget.

***ACTION:*** Jennifer moved to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Marilyn and passed by unanimous vote.

## National, State (KDADS/KDHE/InterHab) & Local Updates:

### **National:**

- DoL Overtime Rule – House Subcommittee on Workforce Protections: A hearing was held in late November and asked for an increase of 35,000 to 55,000 annually for the threshold exemption, along with an automatic adjustment process for exemption increases in the future.
- Our office has advocated along with ANCOR urging the Department of Labor’s need to recognize the unique impact of the Overtime Rule proposal on community I/DD providers. And, given how both of these rules were proposed by two different federal agencies just months apart, ANCOR continues to urge the U.S. Departments of Labor and Health & Human Services to work in coordination to mitigate the confounding impact of proposed rulemaking on Medicaid-funded providers.

### **State:**

- Letha Farwell is the new KDADS IDD Waiver Program Manager. Robin Lohman is the Assistant IDD Director.
- From InterHab - Notes from the Governor’s Budget for FY 2025:
  - The budget includes 3.3M SGF for a funding increase to supported employment which would bring the hourly rate to \$28 per hour (currently \$17.87 per hour). There will then be an additional effort to get this increased to \$50/hr.
  - Other items include: KDADS budget 19.6M SGF for an increase in consensus caseloads - much of this is to appease CMS and concerns with EPSDT (Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis & Treatment).
  - There is an addition of a Program Manager Position for the Community Support Waiver. When asked about the waiting list, it was noted there were funds for the Community Support Waiver, but at this time, we have only seen the addition of the position noted above.
  - In KDHEs budget, there is an addition of 2.3M SGF for a data management for Early Childhood Developmental Services (formerly tiny-k) – it was shared by members that the current data system was out-of-date and almost unusable.
  - There is also a 2M request for Early Childhood Developmental Services. In DCF, Pre-ETS (Pre-Employment Transition Services) funding is listed.
  - One FTE for a Benefits Counselor for Employment First.
- A legislator has inquired to InterHab regarding information on the pool of state aid and SGF funds that are used by CDDOs on a discretionary basis across the state – current



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pool of funds is 5M. This legislator wanted to understand how those funds are being utilized currently. InterHab has reached out to a selection of CDDOs for assistance in data in this area. If possible, the legislator wants to increase the pot of money and restore the pool of discretionary funds.

- PCG continues their study of the Kansas TCM provider network and the conflict-of-interest (COI) issue. This remains a very difficult issue for most to even understand how this will eventually be settled. PCG also continues to host meetings with all parts of the IDD system to gather the necessary information for a recommendation to KDADS about how to proceed with transitioning the COI for our TCM providers.

## **Local:**

- The CDDO negotiating team met with KDADS staff. Next steps include asking KDADS to identify low-hanging fruit for a re-negotiation. A contract for FY25 may do the clean-up needed. A consultant may be brought in soon on MFEI. At this time, it remains unsure how things will unfold. The workgroup will meet next week to regroup on these items. The HMCDDO director continues to attend all CDDO Contract Workgroup meetings to ensure that our voice is at the table.

## Service Provider Capacity:

- Our service area currently has 2 available providers for residential services, 4 day service providers, and 2 available providers for TCM services. Our service area also has 6 fiscal management providers (assists individuals/guardians with self-directed Personal Care Services).

***Action on Service Management and Director's Report.*** Jennifer moved to acknowledge receipt of and accept the Service Management and Director's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Todd and passed by unanimous vote.

Note: a copy of the Service Management and Director's Report is available upon request.

Adjourn: the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:           Nancy Plenert          

**Next Meeting: Monday, February 26, 2024 @ 4 pm**

**HMCDDO Board Room, Newton, KS**

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