



Harvey-Marion County CDDO

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HARVEY-MARION COUNTY CDDO: BOARD of DIRECTORS

February 27, 2023

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: Kristi Berning, Chair; Marilyn Loganbill, Vice-Chair; Craig Simons, Secretary; Don Schroeder; Randy Dallke

Present via Zoom: Todd Weeks; Kimberlee Jost

Directors Absent: Mary Gill, Treasurer; Jen Dies

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

Call to Order. Chair Kristi Berning called the monthly Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Proxies: None.

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 January 23, 2023 Meeting.

ACTION: Randy moved to approve the January 23, 2023 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Kristi and passed by unanimous vote.

Financials: Packets contain the January 2023 Profit & Loss by Class report, the check register report, and balance sheet. At 07 of 12 months (58%), total Income reflects receipt of County Mill, State Aid & CDDO Admin Funds.

- Balance Sheet dated **02/17/2023** reflects HMCDDO Total Assets at **\$311,955.53**
- Current Budget Overages:
 - 6070: This will level out over time; however this line item will need to be increased for FY24 as we begin to travel more.
 - 6111: annualized payments made for software, and this will level out.
 - 6530: Trinity Heights respite is over budget with the hope this will level out within the budgeted amount by fiscal year's end due to the varied amount that is paid out each month.

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



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Quarterly Service Management Report:

Service Management Report:	January	February	March
Statewide Total Number Eligible for HCBS services:	9038		
Statewide Total Number Waiting for HCBS services:	4833		
Total Number of Individuals System Eligible in Harvey & Marion	338		
Total Number Using TCM:	256		
Total Number Using Day Supports:	147		
Total Number Using Residential Supports:	115		
Total Number Using Personal Care Services:	65		
Total of Those Waiting in Harvey & Marion Service Area:	131		
Eligibility Packets Requested:	2		
Packets Returned:	0		
Determined System Eligible:	0		
Determined System In-Eligible:	0		

Quarterly Adverse Incident Reports (AIRS)

Adverse Incident Subject/Type	January	February	March
Law Enforcement - Suspect:	10		
Law Enforcement - Victim:	4		
ER & Medical Hospitalization:	11		
Psychiatric Hospitalization:	2		
Other:	8		

What type of AIR reports fall under the “Other” category? *An Adult Protective Services (APS) report is filed on an individual. In these cases, follow-up on the outcome is needed from the service provider, as DCF does not share that information. *A missed medication requires an AIR report and is also counted under “other”. A Board member asked, “Can we be sure that all incidents get reported”? Kevin replied that it’s likely that some things go unreported, but if an incident involves Law Enforcement, there’s a good chance that an AIR report will be completed.

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

National:

- The Public Health Emergency ends on 05/11/2023. Our office will forward any updates regarding this subject as we receive them. We will remain active with Appendix K for a 6-month period, fully ending in KS on 11/11/2023. KDADS met with CMS last week and they put out a document for CDDO’s to share with families in the next few weeks.



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State:

- There is a new KDADS LTSS (Long Term-Services & Supports) Commissioner – Michelle Heydon. She takes the place of Mandy Flower who has since moved on from KDADS. Paula Morgan is has taken the role that Michelle left (HCBS Director)
 - KDADS Secretary Laura Howard; KDADS Deputy Secretary Scott Brunner
 - LTSS Commissioner – Michelle Heydon
 - HCBS Director – Paula Morgan
 - IDD Program Manager – Holly Rivera
- CDDO contract negotiations begin, however there may be an appetite to simply have another amendment and re-visit larger contract issues in 6 months or FY25.
 - The \$2.5 million that was included for CDDO admin last year was allocated based on the schedule from 2014 for FY23. The rate allocation group has met several times to better capture the changes to CDDO areas over the past decade and we hope to have the new allocation schedule in place by FY24.
- TCM Rate Increase Updates:
 - Multiple rounds of testimony have been shared over the past few weeks with the Senate and House regarding this issue and we continue the push to get the TCM rate to 75/hr.
 - The House Social Services Budget Committee included \$2.9 million SGF to raise the TCM rate to \$75/hr.
 - The Senate Ways & Means Committee on Human Services included \$1.7 million SGF to get the rate to \$62/hr.
 - Because the TCM amounts are different between the House and Senate these items will be negotiated by the conference committee that will be convened to deal with the differences in the two chambers' budgets, which will occur later in March.
- Community Support Waiver:
 - KDADS has been putting the finishing touches on requested information that legislators will need in pushing forward on the Community Support Waiver. A proviso directing KDADS to begin work with CMS on implementation of this waiver was included in the House Social Services Budget Committee.
- Complex Needs updates:
 - The House Social Services Budget Committee included \$2 million SGF in grant funding for IDD behavioral health.
 - The Senate Ways & Means Committee on Human Services included \$2 million SGF in grant funding for IDD behavioral health.
 - I was fortunate receive an invite (the only CDDO representative) to a briefing regarding complex needs on 02/21/23 with Secretary Howard, Deputy Secretary Brunner, Commissioner Heydon, Commissioner Brown (Behavior Health), Colin from



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Starkey, Doug from MCDS, Rachel from COF, Matt & Nick from InterHab. It was a 45-minute update to the current legislative funding request to provide KDADS a new staff for IDD mobile crisis response as well as funding to initiate pilot programs for mobile crisis response for IDD. I was able to convey the issues we experience in the HMCDDO service area and honored to have been asked to be a part of this group.

- We continue to communicate our concerns to our local legislators regarding the complex needs issue.

Local:

- Our office will be providing outreach sessions to students/families at all Marion County schools in the coming months regarding CDDO access, TCM & HCBS services/waitlist and everything in between.
- There was discussion on improving awareness of Harvey-Marion County CDDO in schools, to include school administration and staff. Todd shared that most times, the first knowledge families have of the CDDO is when it is mentioned at the student's IEP meeting. It would be helpful to have a meeting just for CDDO awareness, or a "meet your agencies" night. Kevin has participated in this type of outreach in the past and continues to work on ways to increase awareness in schools and community.
- Our office is initiating a pilot program to provide quality assurance/service monitoring of provider physical settings in our service area beginning in March. This is separate from what Elizabeth already does with a more comprehensive QA quarterly review of those setting, along with the support plan and how those services are received by the 4 individuals chosen per quarter. We will review outcomes of this pilot program at our next QA meeting (as well as to the Board).
- Our Resource Allocation Committee (RAC) meets twice a month to monitor the Local Finance Plan expense items. Kevin periodically invites case managers to submit requests for funding for direct supports since we typically have a surplus of funds in this line item. A Board member asked what other benefits are available to families who don't want to self-direct their services? Kevin replied that the CDDO can assist with funding case management for individuals who don't have Medicaid, as well as provide funding for up to 28 hours/month of respite care for children up to age 16.
- We will have a discussion at next months' Board meeting for input on use of FY24 Local Finance Plan funds. Items for consideration: with USD 373 making budget cuts, Kevin has reached out to Special Ed. Director Reagan Seidl to see if they have any needs; Allocate funds to explore establishing a START program. START, (**S**ystemic, **T**herapeutic, **A**ssessment, **R**esources and **T**reatment) is facilitated by a designated representative who monitors a team of trained individuals who are available 24/7 to respond to crisis situations of individuals with complex needs; Trinity Heights Respite Care has asked for consideration of an increase in the hourly reimbursement rate for FY24.



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Action on Service Management and Director's Report. Randy moved to accept the Service Management and Director's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Kristi and passed by unanimous vote.

A Board member asked when the Board will meet in Hillsboro for the annual presentation by Project Search Interns. Kevin will make plans for the April Board meeting to be in Hillsboro.

Adjourn: the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Nancy Plenert

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 20, 2023 @ 4 pm
500 N. Main, Suite 204, Newton, KS**

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