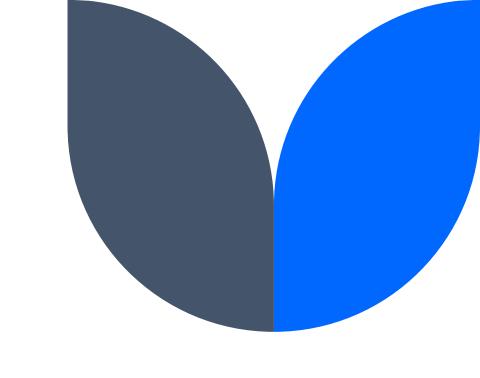
# North Dakota Behavioral Health Planning Council

Mission and Function



# Overall Purpose

Provide advice & consultation to the Governor re: administration and service delivery of MH & SA services.

Serve as an advocate for individuals with mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, substance abuse and/or substance use disorders.

#### **Summary of Functions**

BHPC is responsible for monitoring, reviewing, evaluating, and making recommendations related to the allocation and adequacy of behavioral health services in North Dakota.

The focus and vision is on wellness and recovery that is consumer and family- driven.

BHPC meets federally mandated requirements.



# The BHPC is the beating heart of systems change in North Dakota.

Bevin Croft
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### **Specific Duties**

#### Annually:

- Review and evaluate services and programs, making periodic reports to DHS and Governor's office including recommendations for improvements in services, programs and facilities.
- Develop and monitor Council goals and objectives for progress/outcomes.

#### Semi-Annually:

 Review and provide feedback on applications for the MH/BH Block Grants along with related stakeholder input into applications.

# **Specific Duties continued**

- Review and provide feedback re: stakeholder input to DHS and the Governor's office.
- Familiarize lawmakers with needs for MH and SUD services in accordance with agreed upon priorities of the Council.
- Promote clear lines of communication between DHS, Governor's office and NDBHPC.
- Serve as advocates for system reforms related to the focus areas of the Council.

### Meetings

- At least 4 per year.
- Special meetings may be called.
- The Annual Meeting of the Council is held in October of each year for the purpose of electing the Council Officers.
- Meetings may be held in person, via teleconference or videoconference.
- If a member has 2 absences without giving notices to the point of contact prior to the meeting in any 1 year, the Chairperson may report to the Governor for recommendations as to continuance.

## **Council Membership**

- 30 members
- Residents of the state appointed by the Governor
- Most have direct experience regarding recovery, peer mentoring, service delivery, children's issues or advocacy for mental health and substance use issues.
- Includes representatives of the principle State agencies.
- Not less than 50% of members are individuals who are not state employees or providers of service.



#### **Council Terms**

- Members serve for three (3) years.
- Terms commence on the date of appointment and terminate on the same date three years thereafter except when the appointment has been to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term.
- Members may be reappointed.
- Terms shall be staggered.



# **Council Compensation**

- Per diem and travel may be reimbursed at the rate of state employees.
- Members who are consumers or family members shall be provided an honorarium of \$150 for Council meetings as approved by the Chairperson and shall be reimbursed for childcare expenses.

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#### Mental Health Block Grant

#### **Targeted Populations**

Adults with serious mental illnesses (18+), whose condition substantially interferes with, or limits 1 or more major life activities such as daily living, instrumental living, participating in family, school or work.

Children with serious emotional disturbances, whose condition results in a functional impairment that substantially interferes with or limits a child's role or functioning in family, school or community.

#### **Performance Requirements**

**Submit a plan** re: use of funds & **annual** report on plans.

**Distribute funds** to local govt. entities and non-GMOs.

Ensure community mental health centers provide services like screening, outpatient tx. emergency MH services and day tx. programs.

Comply with federal grants mgmt. requirements, which includes site visits.

Form a state MHPC.

# Thank you

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