## MENTAL HEALTH LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL



April 19, 2020 12:00 – 1:00 PM Gallatin County Courthouse, Via Zoom

## **AGENDA**

- Welcome and Introductions
- New Business
  - o Ideas for improving member and community engagement
  - May Mental Health Month
- Approval of Minutes: January 11, 2021and February 22, 2021
- Old Business
  - Open Position
    - Consumer/Family open
    - CHP Position Open
  - Resource Guide
    - Progress update
- Reports No reports submitted
  - Criminal Justice (Andrea Lower)
  - Co-Occurring Disorders (Shelly Johnson)
  - Communities that Care (Edward Sypinski)
  - Legislative (Tom Peluso/Michael Foust)
- Public Comment
- Short Announcements or Updates (1-2 minutes)

Next Meeting: May 17, 2021

**Account Balance Currently: \$584.70** 

The link to the LAC calendar is <a href="https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=Z2FsbGF0aW5sYWNAZ21haWwuY29t">https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=Z2FsbGF0aW5sYWNAZ21haWwuY29t</a>.

## **By-laws**

**Section 1. Purpose.** The purpose of the MHLAC is to assist, in a manner it determines to be most productive, in strengthening public mental health services in the Gallatin County and to provide input and recommendations to MHOAC, DPHHS and the Service Area Authority (SAA) serving the community.

**Section 2. Objectives.** Specific objectives include some or all of the following related to public mental health services:

- a) Examine gaps in child and adult services.
- b) Identify potential additions to services within the community.
- c) Analyze and discuss local problems with local service providers, advocacy groups, public officials and the general public.
- d) Facilitate accurate and timely communications between the local community and MHOAC, DPHHS and the regional SAA.
- e) Assess the effectiveness of local mental health services and suggest ways of making services more effective.
- f) Serve as a catalyst and facilitator in solving local mental health service problems.
- g) Organize and coordinate needed services in the community.
- h) Educate the local community on mental health issues.

**Committee Reports** 

No reports submitted for the last month for committees