

**Office of Community Services for Warren and Washington Counties**  
**Warren County Community Services Board**  
**Washington County Community Services Board**  
**May 13, 2021**

**Warren County**

**Present:** Kim Brayton-Chair, Joan Grishkot-Vice-Chair Belinda Bradley, Holly Irion, Amy Molloy, James Dexter, Cindy Wasson **Excused:** Chris Bessen, Christian Hanchett

**Washington County**

**Present:** Heather Adams-Wendell-Chair, Linda Michaud, Mary Alice Murphy, Lisa Meade, Adele Potter, Michelle Burke **Excused:** Tammy DeLorme-Vice Chair, Claire Bromley

**Staff:** Harry Carlson, Linda Wright, Robert York, Crystal Mallory  
**Guests:** Dean Clickner, Nicole Trottier, Mary McLaughlin

Agenda Item	Outcome	Action
<b>Regular Meeting – Call to Order</b>	A quorum was confirmed for both Warren and Washington Counties and the May 13, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards was convened via Zoom and introductions were made.	K. Brayton-Chair, and H. Adams-Wendell-Chair, presided over the meeting
<b>Meeting Minutes</b>	<p>Minutes of the March 11, 2021 joint regular meeting of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards were submitted with the meeting notice and presented for approval.</p> <p>Minutes of the April 8, 2021 joint regular meeting of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards were submitted with the meeting notice and presented for approval.</p> <p>Minutes of the April 8, 2021 joint regular meeting of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards were submitted with the meeting notice and presented for approval.</p>	<p>Warren Co: J. Grishkot            Second: B. Bradley            Abstentions: None            Motion carried with unanimous vote</p> <p>Warren Co: C. Wasson            Second: B. Bradley            Abstentions: None            Motion carried with unanimous vote</p> <p>Washington Co Motion: M. Murphy            Second: A. Potter            Abstentions: None            Motion carried with unanimous vote</p>
<b>Agency Presentations: Warren Washington Rose House, People-USA Dean Clickner, Director</b>	Dean became the Director of the Rose House in February, 2021. The Rose House is a 100% Peer-run facility, open 24/7/365. Clients are voluntarily self-referred for a 5-7 day stay. Guests must be: 18 years of age or older; medically stable; able to care for one's self; living with significant mental health or co-occurring (MH/SUD) issues; and experiencing, or are at risk of experiencing, a crisis. The Rose House provides short-term residential support services that are engaging, trauma-informed, empathetic, hopeful, and designed to help guests meet their goals & objectives. Their mission is to educate, support, and empower people to understand, manage, and overcome behavioral health challenges.	

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<b>Adirondack Peer-to-Peer Veterans' Program Nicole Trottier, MPH, Program Coordinator</b>	<p>Nicole introduced herself as the new Program Coordinator, working out of the County Veteran's Services Offices, supporting both Warren and Washington County Veterans with a Peer-to-Peer support program. She is a military spouse who previously worked in the Public Health field. Warren and Washington Counties receive Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans' Peer-to-Peer state aid funding in the amount of \$185,000/annually for the design and implementation of this program. Nicole has created a Facebook, Instagram and has placed an ad in the Chronicle newspaper to promote the program. She is arranging and advertising monthly events designed to engage and support veterans and their families.</p> <p>R. York added there will be a meeting later this month with Senator Stec to introduce Nicole and to thank him for his advocacy for the program. The program is a NY Senate initiative. Twenty-five NY Counties + NYC receive funding to provide these services.</p>	
<b>New Business: Request for letter of support – Behavioral Health Services Johnsburg School District</b>	R. York stated during the last meeting T. Ruggiero presented on the request for letters of support for NYS OMH applications to establish school based satellite clinics in Johnsburg School District and Hudson Falls School District (elementary schools). Warren County did not have a quorum to submit the letter at the last meeting.	Warren Co: J. Grishkot Second: C. Wasson Abstentions: None Motion carried with unanimous vote
<b>Informational Items: Warren and Washington County CSB appointments</b>	R. York provided copies of the approved County resolutions appointing members to the Community Services Boards: Christian Hanchett 4/16/21-12/31/21, Warren County CSB; Lisa Meade 4/16/21-12/31/21, and Adele Potter 4/16/21-12/31/24, Washington County CSB.	
<b>May is Mental Health Awareness Month</b>	R. York Provided the Proclamations from both Counties declaring May as Mental Health Awareness Month in Warren and Washington Counties. He also reviewed some statistics and informational handouts regarding mental health issues.	
<b>CSB Budget Review Committee</b>	R. York announced that the Budget Committee will meet virtually via Zoom this year. Call letters for the contract agencies have been sent out and we are arranging dates for the meeting. New members to the committee include M. Murphy and A. Potter for Washington County.	

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<b>WWAMH Cooper St. Residential program</b>	R. York stated he attended and spoke at the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Cooper St. Apartment program from 11-1pm today.	
<b>2022 Local Services planning process</b>	R. York stated the Local Services Plan is usually due to NYS on June 1 <sup>st</sup> ; however the date has been pushed back to August 1 <sup>st</sup> due to the pandemic. We will incorporate needs related to COVID-19 impacts, initiatives identified through the law enforcement reform efforts, etc.	
<b>Law Enforcement Initiatives</b>	R. York discussed the Law Enforcement Addiction and Mental Health Referral System (LEAMHRS). This will allow officers to make an online referral for same day/next day outreach and engagement efforts. Officer Norton is the new Community Liaison Officer for Glens Falls Police Department. R. York and C. Wright have been facilitating introductory meetings with community provider agencies. GFPD also plans to hire a social worker as part of their department later in the year.	
<b>Additional Items</b>	In the meeting packets Rob provided "You Are Not Alone" statistics, "The Ripple Effect of Mental Illness", and "It's OK to talk about Suicide" National Suicide Prevention LifeLine: 1-800-273-TALK (82555) or text: HOME to 741741 or visit the Website <a href="http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org">www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org</a>	
<b>Adjournment and next meeting.</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm. The next scheduled meeting of the Community Services Boards will be held on June 10, 2021, via Zoom and YouTube broadcast to the Warren County YouTube channel.	

Minutes respectively submitted by Crystal Mallory, Secretary to the Boards