



**Washington State
Department of Health
Chemical Dependency Certification Advisory Committee
Amended
Meeting Minutes**

December 4, 2015

Location:

Department of Health
Point Plaza East
310 Israel Road S.E., Conference Room 153
Tumwater, WA 98501

Committee members present:

Mark Loes, MBA, CDP, Chair
Kathleen Armstrong, MEd, LMHC, CDP, MHP –
Vice Chair
Mary Schatz, Ph.C., CDP, CRC, LMHCA
Dan Labuda, CDP, Treatment Director
Judy Holman, LICSW, LMHC, CDP,
DSHS/DBHR Representative

Staff members present:

Nancy Tyson, Executive Director
Brad Burnham, Program Manager
Sonia Ferguson, Program Support
Joanne Miller, Credentialing Manager
Jeff Wise, Policy Analyst

Others who present via phone:

Joan Bunnell, Optum Pierce Regional
Jolene Lynch, Peninsula Behavior Health
Katie Speels, Spokane

Committee members absent:

Arthur Tolentino, Ph.D., LMFT, CDP

AAG present:

Chris Wright, AAG

Others present:

Paul Cardwell
Melissa Johnson, AAP
Amanda Phinney, CYS
Kimberly Cisson, King County
Donnie Goodman, Seattle Counseling Svc
Paula Fisher, CDPWS
Joan Miller, Wa. Council for Behavioral
Health

The Chemical Dependency Professional Advisory Committee (committee) met on December 4, 2015, at the Department of Health, Point Plaza East, Room 153, Tumwater, WA 98501. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the meeting agenda was mailed to members of the Chemical Dependency Professional Listserv and posted to the program's website.

1. Call To Order – Mark Loes, MBA, CDP - Chair

9:04 a.m.

1.1 Committee members, staff members and public members introduced themselves.

1.2 There was a motion to move agenda item nine to after agenda item four; the agenda was approved with the changes.

1.3 The September 4, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as written.

2. Election of Committee Leadership – Mark Loes, MBA, CDP, Chair

The committee elected to keep Mr. Mark Loes as the chair and Ms. Kathleen Armstrong as vice-chair.

3. 2016 Meeting Date of the Advisory Committee – Mark Loes, MBA, CDP, Chair

The following are the meeting dates for 2016; all meetings will be held at the Department of Health in Tumwater (department):

- Friday, April 8
- Friday, June 24
- Friday, September 2
- Friday, December 2

4. Manager Reports – Brad Burnham, Joanne Miller, Tammy Kelley

4.1 Budget report – Mr. Brad Burnham went over the budget report. The current budget is \$21,125.00.

4.2 Legislative update – Mr. Burnham said each year the department holds Meet Me calls during the legislative session. He is looking for a committee member to listen in on the calls; Ms. Mary Schatz said she would be willing to do so.

Mr. Burnham gave an update on SHB 1721. He is part of a workgroups with another colleague to establish guidelines for emergency medical services (EMS) providers on when and how to transport patients to facilities other than hospitals, such as mental health facilities and chemical dependency programs.

Mr. Burnham said that there are still issues to be worked out, such as liabilities. If they aren't worked out this session, it will be next session.

Mr. Burnham said that the committee has lost three members. He said he received an application and will start to process it, but we still need members.

Ms. Melissa Johnson asked about the department's allotment. Mr. Burnham said that the fees come from chemical dependency licensing. Currently how it is used is a process that goes through legislation. The department is putting forward a request to use fees as needed and not need to wait until session.

4.3 Current licensing statistics – Ms. Joanne Miller from the credentialing department came and gave an update on statistics. As of the middle of November for the Chemical Dependency Professional in Training (CDPT):

- Active – 1,476
- Closed – 159
- Expired – 2,232

The following statistics are for Chemical Dependency Professionals (CPD):

- Active – 2,710
- Closed – 164
- Expired – 2,348

Ms. Miller said there is a higher ratio of pending applications since NAADAC has changed the exam company. Ms. Miller said we do accept RCD. Ms. Miller said she the department is looking at all options and will discuss with Mr. Burnham and Ms. Nancy Tyson.

4.4 Discipline statistics – Ms. Tammy Kelley, Case Manager, came and talked about complaint statistics. Ms. Kelley said for all professions under the secretary, there is a case management team consisting of at least four people who make any decisions on a case. She said in the course of an investigation, the nature of the case can change from the time of the initial complaint. It depends on what's found during the investigation.

Ms. Kelley said some of the most common complaints filed relate to boundaries and sexual misconduct; this is consistent in all counseling professions. Bad record keeping is another common complaint. Providers aren't maintaining records appropriately, the justification is the provider doesn't have enough time or is overwhelmed. Ms. Kelley said it's very helpful for a practitioner to get into a good peer support team.

5. Assistant Attorney General Report – Mr. Chris Wright said hearings are expensive. He said Ms. Kelley's process will lead to him if there is a request for hearing. Hearings are months out because the process takes time. He said issues may arise, and they will be taken to a health judge. Mr. Wright said all parties will have a phone conference to discuss what will happen at the hearing. The hearing can take a half a day or up to two or three days. A determination will be made by the health judge. If a case is appealed, it can take years as it is a long process.

6. Rules Scan –

RCW 43.70.041 requires the department to review all existing rules every five years to identify ways to clarify or simplify existing rules.

Mr. Brad Burnham walked the committee members through a review of some sections of chapter 246-811 WAC.

7. Legislation Related to Training in Suicide Prevention -

The department has suicide assessment training standards available on the department's website. Applicants will need to take courses on the list. The rules will need to be revised. This will go into effect 2017.

8. Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM-5)

Mr. Burnham said CDP has been removed from the DSM-5.

9. Update on Rulemaking for Alternative Training of Specified Health Care Practitioners, chapter 246-811 WAC –

Mr. Burnham said the department started rulemaking in 2013. The department worked with the committee and held rule workshops in 2014 and 2015. Mr. Burnham said the Secretary of Health has been reviewing comments and meeting with the Department of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR). Once the final draft review has been done and finalized, it will be turned into a proposal request and a public hearing will be scheduled. After the public hearing, the secretary of health will review comments and consider adopting the revised rule.

Mr. Burnham went over the draft changes in chapter 246-811 WAC.

10. Public Comment –

None

11. Consent Agenda – Mark Loes, MBA, CDP – Chair

The items listed under the consent agenda (informational items) are considered routine agency matters and were approved without any additional discussion.

The consent agenda was approved.

12. Future agenda items –

13. Adjournment

12:08 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Brad Burnham, MPA, Program Manager
Chemical Dependency Certification
Advisory Committee

Mark Loes, MBA, CDP, Chair
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