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EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS/HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023, 9:00 A.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ROOM, COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CHARLOTTE

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Agenda Additions and Changes.
4. Approval of October 2, 2023 Minutes.
5. Limited Public Comment.
6. Tri-County Office on Aging Semi-Annual Report.
7. Homelessness Report – Housing Services Mid-Michigan and SIREN/Eaton Shelter.
8. Opioid Strategic Plan.
9. Committee Appointments.
10. Miscellaneous.
11. Limited Public Comment.
12. Adjournment.

A quorum of the Board of Commissioners may be present at this meeting.



HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023

9:00 A.M.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Brian Lautzenheiser, Mark Mudry, Tim Barnes, Blake Mulder, Joe Brehler and Barbara Rogers.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Jeanne Pearl-Wright.

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioners Jim Mott, Scott Hansen, Jacob Toomey; Paula Yensen, Sara Lurie, and Connie Sobie.

The August 7, 2023 regular meeting of the Health and Human Services Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Lautzenheiser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the October 2, 2023 agenda as presented. Commissioner Barnes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the August 7, 2023 minutes, as presented. Commissioner Barnes seconded. Motion carried.

Limited Public Comment. None.

An update was provided on expiring appointments. The Committee discussed the re-appointment of Sue Hoffman to the Tri-County Aging Consortium Advisory Council for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2026 and two new applications from, Paula Yensen and John Forell, for one appointment to the Department of Human Services Board for a term expiring October, 31, 2026. Paula Yensen was present and addressed the committee stating her qualifications and desire to serve. There are currently no applications for the vacancy on the CEI-CMH for a consumer of services.

Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend the appointment of John Forell, to the Department of Human Services Board, to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Barnes seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend the appointment of Sue Hoffman, to the Tri-County Aging Consortium Advisory Council, to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Sara Lurie, CEI-Community Mental Health CEO, was present to provide the semi-annual report. Ms. Lurie discussed CEI-CMH is in the third year of a six-year demonstration project as a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) Expansion Grantee. CCBHC utilizes a Prospective Payment Model, which allows unspent funds to be retained and used to expand services. Also, CEI-CMH settled a three-year labor contract with its employees effective October 1, 2023.

Miscellaneous: Commissioner Mulder gave an update on the progress of the Opioid Workgroup. He reported discussions are taking place with a specialist from Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and the Barry-Eaton District Health Department to develop a strategic plan to address the expenditure of the County's Opioid Settlement funds. Commissioner Mulder indicated the importance of having a plan before spending occurs.

Limited Public Comment. None.

Chairperson Lautzenheiser adjourned the meeting at 9:53 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Health and Human Services Committee will be held on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., in the Board of Commissioners Room of the Courthouse located at 1045 Independence Blvd, Charlotte MI 48813.

Brian Lautzenheiser, Chairperson



Tri-County Office on Aging Semi-Annual Report November 2023

General TCOA update: We thank the County for your ongoing support over the years.

TCOA continues to have a staff presence on the Eaton Vulnerable Adult Network and Eaton Human Services Collaborative Council meetings and appreciates the email updates received in between.

Several staff and Board Members will be in attendance at the November 7 and 8, 2023 Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan (4AM) annual conference at Lansing Crowne Plaza. Anyone interested in attending may register at <https://4ami.org/events>.

The TCOA Advisory Council appoints representatives to serve as delegates to the Michigan Senior Advocates Council (MSAC), an advocacy group through the Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan dedicated to maintaining contact with the state's legislature on key issues of importance to older adults and their caregivers. Typical concerns of this group are in-home services, health care coverage (Medicare & Medicaid), Guardianship reform, State Ombudsman support, state funding for senior programs, accessible and affordable transportation, elder abuse prevention, and more. **TCOA's region has one opening for an MSAC Representative volunteer.** Please contact Casey Cooper at CooperC@tcoa.org or 517-887-1377 for more information. Thank you to Sue Hoffman, Eaton County representative and Advisory Council President, for her involvement on MSAC.

On August 18, 2023, the Commission on Services to the Aging approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for TCOA. All AAA's must operate under a MYP/AIP approved by the State CSA to ensure proper implementation of the mandates of the Older Americans Act and the Older Michiganians Act. The approved plan can be found at www.tcoa.org/documents. Thank you to the county for your support of this Plan. The AIP and its contents took effect October 1, 2023.

In April 2023, TCOA was a recipient of 2,000 medication disposal bags from Eaton RESA in partnership with the Substance Awareness and Prevention Coalition in Ingham county. These will be made available to participants across the Agency to assist with safe disposal, which is a benefit in particular for those unable to leave the home as the bags are able to be discarded directly at home.

Save the date for May 1, 2024 for Older Michiganians Day, a day of advocacy on issues that impact older adults and caregivers. More details will be shared in 2024.

Advisory Council: Thank you to Eaton County for their assistance identifying a new Eaton County representative for TCOA's Advisory Council, Ruth Pearson. There are currently no vacancies for Eaton County.

The TCOA Advisory Council acts in an advisory capacity to the Consortium Board. At least one-half of the council consists of senior citizens, appointed by their respective units of government. The remaining members represent community agencies appointed by the Consortium Board. This composition offers the perspectives of both seniors and service providers on aging issues. Meetings are held at 1:00 PM on the second Thursday of each month at TCOA and include an online option for joining. Thank you to Sue Hoffman, current President and MSAC Representative, and Barbara Smith who represent Eaton County.

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) and Long-Term Care Collaborative (LTCC): TCOA is a partner with the ADRC-Capital Area Partnership offering both Information & Assistance/ Referral (I&A/R) and Options Counseling to the community. The LTCC was established in 1999 as a work group within the ADRC focused on improving the long-term care network through sharing of information, education presentations and supporting new initiatives effecting long term care. The LTCC met in May, July, and September. Each meeting invited a speaker from a different organization to share their work, experiences and barriers faced related to long term care planning and the current housing crisis. Guest speakers included representatives from a 211, 911 dispatch and the review of a NY State LTC project. The LTCC continues to gather information to better understand how homelessness and other housing issues are experienced in our communities in order to identify future projects for the group. LTCC members are actively working on data collection and community needs assessment projects. Meetings will continue to be held virtually every other month on the third Wednesday at 1:30 PM.

Services and Supports

Information and Assistance: TCOA served 530 individuals from Eaton County through Information & Assistance/Referral calls between October 2022 and September 2023, 14% of the total 3783 individuals served. TCOA also contracts with Capital Area Community Services for additional I & A/R support in the tri-county area. From October 2022 through September 2023, CACS assisted over 2,368 tri-county residents with 895 from Eaton County, representing 38% of callers.

Community Resource Navigators: TCOA's two Community Resource Navigators (CRNs) connect underserved communities with existing resources and assist clients in overcoming barriers to health and social services while addressing social determinants of health. The CRNs served over 124 people from October to September, with 22 from Eaton County (18%).

Friendly Reassurance: TCOA continues to coordinate the Friendly Reassurance Program, with volunteers providing "check in and chat" phone calls to TCOA participants to help reduce social isolation. Generally, the participants are called once a week, while some participants opt for a different schedule. Although the number of participants receiving calls has experienced a 38% decrease over the last fiscal year, the number of calls made each quarter experienced a 27% increase suggesting the callers that remain or join are benefiting from the on-going, consistent contact from Friendly Reassurance volunteers. This program was launched during the beginning of the pandemic, and the overall decrease in participants is likely due to participants returning to their normal social activities and finding themselves less in need of this extra layer of support.

Nutrition:

TCOA served 93,207 meals to 571 Eaton County participants through the Home Delivered Meals program between October 2022 and September 2023. The return to daily hot meal delivery as well as the interaction with the volunteers, has been well received by participants. Some participants continue to receive weekly deliveries to accommodate their schedules. Social interaction is supplemented with friendly reassurance calls to participants who want them.

Collaboration continues as of September 2023 with Eaton RESA as the volunteer continues to work in the office once a week for two hours. The Eaton County Meals on Wheels gift giving program continues with the assistance of Liz Holland, Dean of Students – Cheryl Stockwell Academy High School in Brighton, (daughter of Nancy Beachum the ECMOW supervisor). The 270 handmade place mats donated by Country Stitches will be wrapped by the students from Cheryl Stockwell and then boxed by volunteers from Eaton County Meals on Wheels. These gifts will be delivered with the food deliveries the first week of December for the Holiday Season. Last year's gift giving was greatly appreciated by our many homebound seniors! Emergency shelf stable meal boxes distributed were utilized by participants during the inclement weather experienced during the spring season.

The TCOA Senior Dining Site at the Delta Township Enrichment Center (Delta 39ers) continues to offer dine in service as well as carry out meals, three days per week. In April 2023, individually wrapped meals changed to cafeteria-style dining, which has been well-received. TCOA has served more than 2,706 meals to 52 Eaton County residents through the Congregate Senior Dining program.

Health Promotion/Disease Prevention:

TCOA is primarily offering health and wellness workshops in-person, but we are still offering workshops online as well. From October 2022 – September 2023, TCOA completed the following workshops in person in Eaton County: 2 Diabetes PATH, 1 Powerful Tools for Caregivers, 2 Matter of Balance, 1 Chronic Pain PATH and 1 Savvy Caregiver Program. In addition, TCOA also completed online workshops which are always available to Eaton County residents. From October 2022 – September 2023, TCOA completed the following workshops online: 2 Diabetes PATH, 1 Matter of Balance and 2 Powerful Tools for Caregivers. TCOA also offered 1 Diabetes PATH Tool Kit workshop which is offered over the phone vs. online. A total of 70 Eaton County residents enrolled in an evidence-based health and wellness workshop listed above.

Medicare & Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP): MMAP volunteers provided Medicare & Medicaid counseling to 1,363 beneficiaries from October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023. Of those served, 227 were from Eaton County. MMAP counselors provided Medicare counseling to 208 Eaton County residents during the same time last year. The MMAP program focuses on Medicare, Medicaid, Supplemental Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance, waste, fraud and abuse prevention, and Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage.

Project Choices: TCOA served over 402 people from Eaton County between October and September through MI Choice Medicaid Waiver, Care Management and Case Coordination (over 2,300 PSA wide) with an additional 315 residents waiting for these in-home services and support. Region wide, the Medicaid Waiver and Case Coordination wait lists persist with a total of 1,413 people waiting as of September 30, 2023 (1,275 last year, 11% percent increase). Case Coordination is offered, when possible, to individuals on the Waiver wait list. Case Coordination may offer homemaker services, personal care, and respite to enable older adults to remain in their homes. TCOA continues to advocate for sufficient and balanced funding to address these unmet needs.

Volunteer Opportunities: The need for volunteers agency-wide, particularly Meals on Wheels delivery drivers, is ongoing. The needs vary by area and may change over time, with opportunities for both regular volunteers (i.e., delivery every Tuesday) and for flexible “on call” volunteers to fill in as substitutes. TCOA continues to offer a remote volunteer experience with the Friendly Reassurance Program as noted above. Anyone interested in volunteering at TCOA is welcome to contact TCOA’s Volunteer and Outreach Specialist at volunteer@tcoa.org or 517-887-1487 with any questions. To fill out a volunteer application please visit tcoa.org/volunteer/

Events for 2023-2024

38th Annual Dinner and Auction- Thursday, November 16, 2023 at the Kellogg Center, East Lansing.

36th Annual Meals on Wheels Golf Outing – tentatively Tuesday, June 11, 2023 at Forest Akers West, Lansing.

Older Michigianians Day, Wednesday, May 1, 2024

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health Board - 3 year term

Jason White – Partial Term 12/31/25 (must be CMH consumer of services)

EATON COUNTY CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT APPLICATION

Last Name: <u>White</u>		First Name: <u>Jason</u>		Middle Initial: <u>C</u>
Street Address: <u>232 State St. Apartment 2</u>			City/State/Zip: <u>Eaton Rapids, MI 48827</u>	
Township:	Home Phone: <u>(517) 648-5638</u>		Business Phone:	
Employer: <u>DoorDash</u>	Years of Service: <u>1</u>		Occupation: <u>Independent Contractor</u>	
Are You At Least 18 Years of Age: Yes (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) No (<input type="checkbox"/>) Email: <u>jasoncardellwhite@gmail.com</u>				

EDUCATION

School	Name & Location Of School	Course Of Study	From: To:	Did You Graduate?	Degree or Diploma
High School	1) H.S. of Commerce	Collge Prep	1999-2003	Yes	H.S. Diploma
College	1) Micigigan State University	Business	2003-2005	No	
	2) Lansing Community College	Business	2007-2009	No	
Other	1)				

PREVIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Check All That Apply:

<input type="checkbox"/> Local School Board	Position: <u>Equitable Results Team for Eaton County</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Township Level	Position: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> City Level	Position: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Level	Position: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> State Level	Position: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Position: _____

STATE of MICHIGAN, COUNTY of EATON

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OCT 13 2023

DIANA BOSWORTH
EATON COUNTY CLERK

REFERENCES

Name: <u>Bridget Bailes</u>	Phone Number: <u>517-395-7764</u>	Occupation: <u>Manager</u>
Name: <u>Kalli Dempsey</u>	Phone Number: <u>517-652-3228</u>	Occupation: <u>Director</u>

Name Committee, Commission or Board Desired: CMHA-CEI Board of Directors

List Special Skills and Qualifications (include avocations and special interests): Consumer Advisory Council for CMH

Have you ever been convicted of an offense other than a traffic violation? Yes () No ()

Please be advised that all applicants may not be able to be appointed to a Board or Commission. If an appointment is not able to be made, the application will be held on file for four years. Thank you for your interest in Eaton County.

I certify that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: October 9, 2023

Signature: Jason C. White

RETURN APPLICATION TO: Eaton County Clerk's Office, 1045 Independence Blvd., Charlotte, MI 48813