

Committee Members	Voting Member Present = P Absent = A
Gwen Bartley	P
Janet Breeding	A
Nicole French	P
Judy Klusman	P
Angela Miccoluci	P
Beverly Morrow	P
Jeff Phillips	P
Pamela Rankin	P
Neetu Verma	P
Marcella Beam	P
Wendy Growcock	P
Alyssa Harris, Rowan	P
Melissa Marshburn, Cardinal Regional Executive	P
Staff	Non- Voting
King Jones, Director	P
Melissa Marshburn, Executive Director	P
Laura Wilkicki, note taker	P
Trey Suttan, CEO	P
Guests	Non-Voting
Stacey Harward, DHHS	A

**1. Call to Order**

King Jones, Chair interim, called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

**2. Trey Suttan Announcement**

The counties that are in the disengagement process are Union, Cabarrus, Orange, Forsyth, and Mecklenburg. The reasons surround two primary issues. One is the foster care population, facing some issues are nationwide but Cardinal has to improve. Trey reviewed some improvements made and action items planned. Another primary issue is ED utilization in which Trey addressed Cardinal’s past and planned efforts. A major area is the general awareness around registry of unmet needs, and available services.

General comments revealed some negativity, however, people see that some of the problems around child placement are not Cardinal and will be experienced by other MCO’s. Discussions and comments

continued around these issues. It was said publicly that Cardinal was not accepting additional providers. Trey Suttan has confirmed that is not true.

### 3. Public Comment

There are no public comments – or list in detail what was commented

### 4. Opening Remarks

Donna Fayko, Rowan County DSS Director, is no longer with the southern region as a member.

### 5. Approve Minutes from July 22, 2020 meeting

King Jones requested a motion to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2020 meeting.

Gwen Bartley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Beverly Morrow seconded the motion.

No discussion. A Roll call vote is taken to approve the minutes.

All in favor. Minutes are approved.

### 6. Public Comment

No public comments are presented.

### 7. Regional Health Improvement Plans

The Regional Health Improvement Plan was reviewed at the meeting last time, and these were shared and prioritized with a spreadsheet “RHIP Priorities Southern Region” that was distributed before the meeting.

Areas of focus:

- Behavioral Health
  - Health Disparities
    - Complex individuals (i.e. dual diagnosed, children in foster care, complex trauma, etc.)
      - Build coalitions of community groups to educate parents, stakeholders, and providers on resources and processes and strengthen support resources.
  - Long term care options for IDD population (ICF, AFL, etc.) and individuals with SPMI
    - Increase awareness of the requirements for specialty housing services and other supported living options.
  - Trauma informed communities
    - Increase regional trainings on the impact of trauma and resources to build resilience.
- Access to Care
  - Health Disparities
    - Provider Capacity
      - Create a county level resource to support stakeholders and providers in resolving service gaps in their county.
        - Include unified measurement system to show progress

- Transportation
- Substance Use
  - Health Disparities
  - Opioid Abuse
  - COVID-19
- Healthy Lifestyles/Physical Health
  - Health Disparities
    - Education
      - Publicizing information/getting the word out
  - COVID-19
- Social Determinants of Health
  - Housing
  - Health Disparities
  - Employment
  - COVID-19

We will continue this process in our next meeting. Perhaps we can brainstorm ideas into smaller groups to help put this together for January.

## 8. Closing Remarks

The meetings are quarterly and scheduled to be on the fourth Wednesday of the first month of the quarter (Jan, April, July, October) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The next meeting is January 27. King will send out the meeting requests for the remainder of the year. We are not ready to conduct physical meetings just yet, but we are expecting to meet in person when appropriate around COVID activities.

## 9. Adjournment

King Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted By: Laura Wilkicki

Date: November 17, 2020