

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



Department of Behavioral Health Behavioral Health Planning Council (BHPC)
Regularly Scheduled Meeting
Friday March 27, 2020 10:00am-12:00pm
64 New York Avenue NW Washington DC 20002

MINUTES

Phone Participants

The in-person participants: Senora Simpson, Mark LeVota, Tonia Gore, Dr. Barbara Bazron Cheryl Copeland, Effie Smith, Luis Diaz, Donna Flenory, Nicole Gilbert, Nadine Parker, Tony Crews, Gail Avent, Heather Stowe, Jean Harris, Jaclyn Verner, Angela Spinella, Harry Willis, Lynne Smith, Tiana Williams, Cavella Bishop, Theresa Mannocho, Charles Gervin, Raphaelle Richardson, Marsha Lillie Blanton, Ann Chauvin, Roz, Parker, Jackie Richardson, Sharon Hunt,

To assist in the reduce the transmission of the novel Coronavirus COV-19 and out of abundance of caution for the safety and well-being of our Behavioral Health Planning Council Members, a proposal that the March meeting be facilitated via teleconference meeting a Quorum was reached to teleconference.

Call to Order, Chair Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Behavioral Health Planning Council (BHPC)

The BHPC was called to order by the Chair, Senora Simpson at 10:01 am.

Agenda & Minutes

Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Chair Simpson

Committee Reports

- **Advocacy and Outreach Committee** –Reported
- **Planning and Accountability Committee** – Reported
- **System and Benefit Design Committee** –Reported
- **Connection to Care Committee** –No Report

Old Business

1. Department of Behavioral Health Updates

Director Barbara J. Bazron

Below are the two (2) resources Dr. Bazron referenced on the teleconference meeting.

DBH Warm-Line Available:

1-888-7-WEHELP or 1-888-793-4357

Small Business Recovery Grants:

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/dc-small-business-recovery-grants>

2. Overview of Block Grant Funds
(See attached)

Raessa Singh

New Business

1. State Opioid Response Grant

Sharon Hunt

Announcements – Chair Senora Simpson requested a poll for Quarterly or Monthly meetings

Public Comments – No members of the public offered public comments.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 PM.