



# CICS

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## **CICS Adult Regional Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday July 14, 2020 @ 1:30 pm**

Due to recommendations to limit gatherings to no more than ten (10) people in order to help slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus, public access to the meeting was provided via zoom:

- I. **Welcome and Introductions: Roll Call of Committee Members:** Chair Jennifer Ellis called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. Present: Mary Nelson, JD Deambra, Tamara Morris, Jeff Vance, Jennifer Ellis, Sharon Swope, Sherry Becker. Diana Dawley and Kathy Hanzek joined while the meeting was in progress, Kathy left the meeting after completion of action items.
- II. **Adoption of the Agenda – Action:** Motion by Sherry Becker to approve the agenda, second by JD Deambra, motion approved.
- III. **Election of Vice-Chair to Fill Vacancy – Action:** Motion by Jeff Vance to elect Sherry Becker as Vice-Chair, second by Kathy Hanzek, motion approved. Vice-Chair term ends 12/31/20.
- IV. **Election of an individual who utilizes mental health and disability services or is an actively involved relative of such an individual to CICS Governing Board for 2 year term – Action:** Self nomination by JD Deambra, Sherry Becker seconded, motion approved.
- V. **Approval of 1/14/20 meeting minutes – Action:** Motion to approve 1/14/20 meeting minutes as presented, second by Sharon Swope, motion approved.
- VI. **Highlights of Regional Governing Board – Julie Smith and JD Deambra – Informational:** JD Deambra reported work has been occurring on children’s mental health services and implementation of those services.
- VII. **Update from CICS CEO – Russell Wood - Informational:** Russell Wood reported changes in regard to the CICS Administrative team with Jody Eaton and Jill Eaton retiring this month and John Grush retiring at a future date. The Administrative team currently consists of five officer positions from eight positions. Russell Wood, Chief Executive Officer; Linn Adams, Coordination Officer; Betsy Stursma, Finance Officer; Patti Treibel-Leeds, Planning and Development Officer; Karla Webb, Operations Officer. Russell noted work is being done in regard to development of children’s mental health services, subacute services, and other services.
- VIII. **Service Coordination Update – Linn Adams – Informational:** Linn Adams reported on FY20 service coordination data in regard to number of individuals served and since the onset of Covid 19 and a decrease in number of individuals served in a residential care facility. Linn

provided service coordination staffing updates and reported on the Justice Coordination Project with service coordination staff in Boone, Franklin, Greene, Hamilton, and Hardin counties. Linn will plan to share the FY20 service coordination report once it is finalized.

- IX. Agency Update/Information Sharing:** Mary Nelson reported FIA Friendship Club, Inc. has transitioned to a non-profit agency. The drop-in-center is currently open and serving eight to nine individuals per day with safety measures in place. Jeff Vance with CIRSI, Inc. reported the agency is cautiously going forward with a lot of modifications during this Covid 19 period. Sharon Swope with Mid-Iowa Triumph Center, Inc. reported the drop-in-center has reopened with precautions implemented. They also are making phone calls to individuals who are self-isolating, and are receiving referrals from the mental health center. Sherry Becker with NIVC Services, Inc. reported they are focused on health and wellness. Sherry thanked CICS for support with Individual Placement and Support (IPS) service, they have received an exception to policy that can be used to get rates into rules for Medicaid funding for the service. They have seen a 77% success rate with IPS in Franklin and Hardin counties. Diana Dawley reported Poweshiek County offices are currently open to the public with the Treasurer's office requiring appointments for driver's license.
- X. Next Meeting Date:** 10/13/20 @ 1:30pm
- XI. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm.

