

SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
SCDMH Administration
2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

February 2, 2024

Greater Greenville Mental Health Center – Virtual Presentation

ATTENDANCE

Commission Members:

Dr. Elliott Levy, Chair, Dr. Carl Jones, Dr. Crystal Maxwell, and Mr. Greg Pearce were present. Mr. Bobby Mann was absent, excused.

Staff/Visitors:

Dr. Robert Bank	<u>Present virtually via Zoom</u>	<u>Present virtually via Zoom</u>	<u>Present virtually via Zoom</u>
Deborah Blalock	Janet Bell	Dr. Maryjane Hicks	Angie Salley
Bill Lindsay	Lashia Bowers	Charice Jones	Eric Turner
Dr. Chad Pollock	Dr. Robert Breen	Tracy Lapointe	Susan von Schenk
Brett Williams	Jackie Brown	Wanda McMichael	Patricia Williams
	Peter Camelo	Valarie Perkins	Kevin Woods
	Pete Creighton	Sylvett Porter	Lynn Wright
	Dr. Kelly Gothard	Vicki Redding	Marie Young
	Chris Haines	Shawnta Reeder-Locks	
	Dr. Patricia Handley	Dr. Kimberly Rudd	

A meeting of the S.C. Mental Health Commission was held in Room 320 at the S.C. Department of Mental Health Administration Building on Friday, February 2, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Chairman Levy welcomed everyone to the meeting and turned the meeting over to Mr. Peter Camelo, Executive Director, Greater Greenville Mental Health Center (GGMHC).

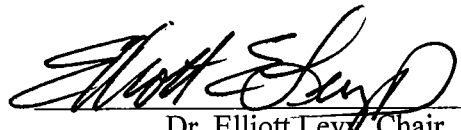
PRESENTATION

Mr. Camelo welcomed everyone. Mr. Camelo gave a presentation on GGMHC, a copy of which is filed with the minutes in the Office of the State Director. Following are highlights from the presentation.

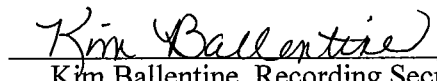
- Mr. Camelo introduced members of the Senior Management Team: Ms. Crystal Barrs, Greenville Clinic Director; Mr. Chris Bishop, Human Resources Director; Mr. Chris Haines, School Mental Health Director; Ms. Kristi Harrington, Greer Clinic Director; Ms. Patricia (Trisha) Williams, Simpsonville Clinic Director; Ms. Catalin Worley, Quality Assurance Director; Dr. Lynn Wright, Medical Director; and Ms. Marie Young, Chief of Staff.
- GGMHC has three clinic locations: Greenville Clinic, Simpsonville Clinic, and Greer Clinic.
- As of January 17, 2024, GGMHC has a total of 232 filled positions: 176 clinical; 56 administrative.
- Programming services available: Early Intervention Services; Child/Adolescent Services; School Mental Health Services; Adult Outpatient Services; Community Rehabilitation Services; Crisis Intervention Services; Assertive Community Treatment; Navigate/First Episode Psychosis; and Mobile Care/RV coming soon.
- Thus far in FY24, GGMHC has served 8,362 individuals (4,399 adults and 3,963 children) and provided 58,825 services.
- Year to date FY24, GGMHC is averaging 768 patient care hours, an increase of 17 hours over FY23.

- Dr. Wright talked about GGMHC's collaborations with The PRISMA Health/University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville Psychiatry Residency Program.
- Mr. Haines talked about GGMHC's school mental health services. Greenville area school mental health services began in 1993 at Bryson Middle School, making it the first in South Carolina and one of the oldest in America. With 73 therapists serving 96 schools and programs, Greenville has the leading program in South Carolina and one of the most expansive school mental health programs in the country. In FY23, GGMHC served 4,672 children in school mental health and provided 47,478 services. Mr. Pearce commended Mr. Haines for his continued good work.
- Ms. Blalock commended GGMHC leadership for their hard work and Mr. Camelo for his leadership.
- Ms. Williams talked about SC NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Crisis Response and Intervention Training (CRIT). CRIT is based on CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) training and includes instruction on intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as incorporating officer wellness. CIT specifically targets community law enforcement and their support teams such as dispatch as well as corrections officers. NAMI sponsors this 40-hour training for free across the state. NAMI also offers 2 hour mini-classes for all community partners, such as churches, libraries, and municipal employees. DMH partners with NAMI by providing the mental health instruction portions. Mr. Bill Lindsay, Executive Director, SC NAMI, commended Ms. Williams for all the work she has done with NAMI as well as Mr. Haines in their work together on school mental health.

On behalf of the Commission, Chairman Levy thanked Mr. Camelo for their continued services and for the very informative presentations. The center presentation concluded at 10:25 a.m.



Dr. Elliott Levy, Chair
SC Mental Health Commission



Kim Ballentine, Recording Secretary
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