

Meeting	Idaho Behavioral Health Council Meeting
Date / Time of Meeting	August 11 th , 2023, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Mountain Standard Time
Host	Director Dave Jeppesen & Director Sara Omundson, Co-Chairs
Livestream Link	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJum8GLob4kr4TJ9BvqnSZA
Meeting Location	Idaho Supreme Court 451 W. State Street, Boise, ID 83702 - Lincoln Room (Basement Level)

Council Members	Att'd	Guests	Att'd
Dave Jeppesen, Director IDHW - Co Chair	X	Justice John Stegner, ID Supreme Court	X
Sara Omundson, Director AOC ID Courts - Co Chair	X	Shannon McGuire, Spark!	X
Brent Mendenhall, County Commissioner	X	Mindy Stomp, Drake Cooper	X
David Pate, MD	X	Robert Jones, GS Strategy Group	X
Gene Petty, District Judge	X	Ross Edmunds, IDHW	X
Bree Derrick for Josh Tewart, Director IDOC	X	Ryan Porter, ID Courts	X
Monty Prow, Director IDJC	X	Jared Larsen, Governor's Office	X
Debbie Critchfield, Superintendent of Public Instruction, BOE	X	Sara Stover, Governor's Office	
Rep. Brooke Green	X		
Sen. Doug Ricks	X		
Rep. Chenele Dixon	X		
Sen. Ali Rabe	X		
Kate Dolan, Member of the Public		Cheryl Foster, IBHC	X

MEETING AGENDA

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1	1:00 PM	5 min	Welcome Action Item: Amend Agenda	Dave Jeppesen	Director Jeppesen called the meeting to order and welcomed Council members, participants, and guests. Director Omundson requested permission to alter the agenda to move previous item #4, the recognition of Justice Stegner, to the top of the agenda.	Motion by Director Omundson to move agenda item #4, the recognition of Justice Stegner, to the top of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mendenhall. The motion carried unanimously.
2	1:05 PM	5 min	Justice Stegner Retirement and Appreciation	Sara Omundson	Director Omundson provided some historical context to the breadth of Justice Stegner's contribution to mental	

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					<p>health court, to individual lives, and to the criminal justice system. She noted that essentially the Behavioral Health Council concept was born at a conference in Sun Valley by a team led by Justice Stegner. Specifically, the recommendation for Infrastructure #8 (piloting certified community behavioral health clinics) was as a direct result of Justice Stegner asking the IBHC to watch a presentation about them. Now there are four CCBHCS in the state and four more soon to be implemented.</p> <p>Justice Stegner was presented with a plaque of appreciation on behalf of the Council. He spoke of his journey through the justice system during his career and shared some examples of how he was able to help individuals with mental health issues within the criminal justice system.</p>	
3	1:10 PM	2 min	Action Item: Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes from 5/5/23	Dave Jeppesen	Director Jeppesen reviewed the agenda. The minutes were voted on and approved.	Dr. Pate moved to approve the May 5, 2023 minutes. Judge Petty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4	1:12 PM	2min	Review of Guiding Principles	Co-Chairs	Co-Chair Jeppesen guided the Council through a brief review of the guiding principles of the IBHC. Director Jeppesen pointed out the importance of principle #1, which is the consumer and family voice.	
5	1:15 PM	5 min	Review IBHC Vision, Framework and work to date	Cheryl Foster	Ms. Foster briefly reviewed the IBHC framework with the Council, starting with the vision of the IBHC. She reviewed the “protractor” illustrating the areas of Idaho’s Behavioral Health System framework. She reviewed the	

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					<p>Strategic Action Plan containing the Council's 13 priority recommendations, noting each recommendation has a state agency sponsor.</p> <p>Ms. Foster pointed out that the 13 recommendations have been substantially completed. She reviewed the timeline and pointed out that in July 2024 the Strategic Action Plan will be updated. She reminded the meeting attendees of the IBHC website and its contents.</p>	
6	1:20 PM	10 min	Systems Lens Presentation	Shannon McGuire	<p>Director Jeppesen introduced Shannon McGuire from Spark! who was instrumental in helping the Council with its early work. Ms. McGuire guided the Council through a "Systems Lens" presentation, discussing what is a system and the matrix of the Behavioral Health System. She discussed actions and results through the lens of a systems thinker. She reminded the Council to see the whole picture; it must consider that actions have consequences, and sometimes some are unintended. She shared an illustrated video called <i>The Cats of Borneo</i> driving that point.</p>	
7	1:30 PM	80 min	State-Directed Opioid Settlement Fund Prioritization for Fiscal Year 2025	Dave Jeppesen	<p>Director Jeppesen provided some updates on the funds disbursed from the Idaho Opioid Settlement which equates to 40% of the funds going to the state, 40% to local government (cities and counties), and 20% to public health districts. He highlighted that the settlement funds will be disbursed over a number of years (19 years). He pointed out the state's 40% portion will be discussed today.</p>	

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					<p>Director Jeppesen noted that Idaho Code 57-825 directs the IBHC to make recommendations to the Governor and JFAC for use of the state’s portion of the settlement funds by September 1st each year. He reviewed a slide illustrating the overall state budgeting process.</p> <p>Director. Jeppesen reminded the Council that it is not a budget-receiving agency and does not ask for funds. He described the process in which the IBHC will make recommendations on the priorities, check to make sure they align with the settlement agreement, and send the recommendations to the Governor. The Governor will make a determination on which state agencies should receive the appropriation and for which specific budget items. From there the Governor’s budget will go to the Legislature which will make the final determination on the appropriation of funds.</p> <p>Director Jeppesen reviewed how the process worked for the five IBHC recommendations from last year, including how the Governor and Legislature used other funding sources to fund budget items for all of the recommendations.</p> <p>He continued that the process for this year began with an invitation sent out to various local entities, providers and consumers of the behavioral health system to provide input for the recommendations. The Council received 30 emails, which included 82 recommendations. Director Omundson</p>	

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					<p>noted for those who made recommendations that they worked hard to make a path forward to be included in the budget process.</p> <p>Superintendent Critchfield asked if there was a deadline for when the funds need to be distributed. Director Jeppesen responded generally, no.</p> <p>Director Jeppesen reminded the IBHC about following the scope for using the settlement funds. He indicated they requested an opinion from the Idaho Attorney General’s office on whether the money can only be used for individuals with or at risk for opioid addiction, or if it can be used for broader programs (like treatment courts or recovery centers) that could treat individuals with other kinds of substance use disorder. The AG’s response is expected before September 1, and any implications will be included with the recommendations to the Governor.</p> <p>Ms. Foster described how the 82 proposals were mapped to the behavioral health system protractor and sorted into 15 voting categories. She noted that the members each received an email with a link for online voting where they can select up to 5 categories.</p> <p>The council members asked questions and discussed the categories and priorities. Ms. Foster explained that while all the proposals were sorted into a single voting category, many proposals encompassed multiple categories. The voting categories are intended for</p>	

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					<p>prioritization purposes and not linked to the funding of specific proposals. She also informed the council members they could make changes to the voting categories, if desired.</p> <p>The council members continued discussing the importance of priorities such as data and evaluation across all initiatives, the immediate need for treatment resources, the severe workforce shortage for behavioral health professionals, providing professional development to other health care professionals to assist in addressing behavioral health needs, and the role of prevention education and targeted prevention programming within the behavioral health system.</p> <p>Council members also considered combining certain categories together. Following the discussion, Director Jeppesen accepted motions and took votes to combine categories for justice-involved individuals, prevention, and professional development.</p> <p>Ms. Foster worked to incorporate the changes to the online survey during the Anti-Fentanyl Campaign presentation.</p>	<p>Bree Derek moved to collapse the <i>justice-involved</i> subcategories into the <i>general</i> categories. Dr. Pate seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Commissioner Mendenhall moved to combine <i>prevention education</i> and <i>prevention programs</i> into a single category. Judge Petty seconded the motion. Dr. Pate voted nay on the motion. The motion carried.</p> <p>Judge Petty moved for the three professional development categories to be combined into one. Bree Derek seconded the motion. Dr. Pate voted nay on the motion. The motion carried.</p>
8	2:40 PM	20 min	Anti-Fentanyl Campaign	Mindy Stomp	<p>Director Jeppesen introduced Mindy Stomp, CEO of Drake Cooper - Idaho's largest marketing and advertising agency.</p> <p>Ms. Stomp discussed the Idaho Fentanyl Awareness campaign and provided a recap for the Council. The overarching goal of the campaign was to inform Idahoans about the growing fentanyl</p>	

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					<p>problem in the state. The website is FentaylTakesAll.Org</p> <p>Ms. Stomp reviewed the Executive Summary noting 80,000 Idahoans visited the site during the campaign which ran for six months. She reviewed the target audiences and the top media placements for the ads and their rankings. She noted there were 48 billboard placements in Idaho. She concluded by stating that the click/tap traffic to the website shows Idahoans are interested in the topic and Phase 2 considerations are to consider increasing content, resources, and education on the subject.</p> <p>Robert Jones of GS Strategy Group shared results from a <i>Fentanyl Knowledge in Idaho</i> study. The study was conducted in May 2023 and sampled three age groups of Idahoans from 12-64. Overall, the results of the survey indicated there was a significant increase in knowledge and concern about fentanyl over a six-month survey period (November 2022 through May 2023).</p>	
9	3:00 PM	15 min	<p>State-Directed Opioid Settlement Fund Prioritization for Fiscal Year 2025</p> <p>Action Item: Vote on General Recommendations</p>	Dave Jeppesen	<p>Ms. Foster opened the revised online survey for voting after incorporating the council-approved changes reducing the number of voting categories from 15 to 9. Director Prow asked Director Jeppesen to confirm the maintaining the option for 5 voting selections, which he did.</p> <p>Based on the results from the voting, the top priority recommendation was: Increase Supply of Behavioral Health Professionals. There was a three-way tie</p>	

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					for the next priority: Prevention - All, Treatment for Behavioral Health Issues, and Recovery Services. Director Jeppesen noted the Council will draft a recommendation letter and take the top four to the Governor for consideration. Director Omundson noted the Council will be working closely with DFM and the Governor's office on how it can support the recommendations as they move forward.	
10	3:15 PM	5 min	Closing	Dave Jeppesen	Director Jeppesen noted the next meeting is November 3, 2023, and it will contain a recap of how the Strategic Action Plan is progressing. He also discussed the reactivation of the IBHC Advisory Board and that a new Strategic Action Plan will be developed.	
11	3:20 PM		Adjourn	Dave Jeppesen	Director Jeppesen adjourned the meeting at 3:20.	

The IBHC will track action items and their status from the meetings here:

Follow Up Items	Date Opened	Owner	Due Date	Complete/Comments	Status