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## MEETING MINUTES

### MACo HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Billings, MT | Billings Hotel & Convention Center | September 27, 2022

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#### 1. Roll Call & Introductions

Co-chairs Seilstad & Woods called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Senator Daines and Senator Tester had staff present that were introduced.

#### 2. Review Assigned Resolutions

The committee reviewed their assigned resolutions and made recommendations to the membership:

→ Clarification of MCA 7-5-121

Jim Door and the Gallatin County Commissioners explained MCA 7-5-121 and clarified HB 257. There was a motion made by Commissioner Hunthausen to “Do Pass,” Commissioner Vero seconded the motion. Motion passed.

→ Limit Municipal Health Board Jurisdiction to Municipal Boundaries

The resolution was discussed, and a motion was made by Scott MacFarland to “Do Pass,” Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### 3. Review/Update/Approve Committee Policy Statements

→ Policies 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 and 11 are ok.

→ #12 - was amended. Commissioner Armstrong spoke on this that at least 7 long-term care facilities have closed. Medicaid reimbursement is a problem. Discussion followed. A motion made by Commissioner Moore to pass. Commissioner Roe seconded the motion. Motion passed.

→ #14 - was discussed by Commissioner Seilstad and Ms. McGowan.

→ #17 - Commissioner Mullen spoke to the policy—it’s ok.

→ #21 - There was a question on “in families” language. Discussion ensued and a motion was made by Commissioner Rolfe to amend “in families” to “including families.” Commissioner Strissel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

→ #26 - A motion was made by Commissioner Mullen to change the verbiage to “MACo supports LAC (Local Advisory Council) and adequate state funding to carry out their mission.” The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. Motion passed.

→ #27 - A motion made by Commissioner Mullen to add “MACo supports DPHHS development of a CCBHC, (Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic) model. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. Motion passed.

→ #28 - Commissioner Armstrong would like the policy to read, “MACo supports the inclusion of health professionals including behavioral health in the SWIB’s (State Workforce Innovation Board) critical workforce development program. A motion was made by Commissioner Rolfe to amend as stated. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Strissel. Motion passed.

**4. Public Health Update**

Erin McGowan, contract lobbyist, gave an update regarding Public Health and junk vehicle laws. She wants MACo’s support for mental health and vaccinations.

**5. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

**MACo HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carl Seilstad, Co-chair, Fergus | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy Hunthausen, Lewis & Clark | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melanie Roe, Sweet Grass  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joette Woods, Co-chair, Liberty | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Huotte, Anaconda-DL                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Rolfe, Lewis -& Clark |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Armstrong, Valley          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott MacFarlane, Gallatin     | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Ryan, Cascade                    |
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