

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON MEDICAID AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

REP. GREG VANWOERKOM CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

10:30 AM

Room 326, House Office Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Medicaid and Behavioral Health was called to order by Chair VanWoerkom.

The Chair requested attendance to be called:

Present: Reps. VanWoerkom, Phil Green, Roth, Kuhn, Robinson, Rogers, and Glanville.

Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Phil Green moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 13, 2025. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Jimmy Johnson, Governmental Affairs Specialist, and Amy Dolinky, Technical Advisor for Opioid Settlement Funds Planning and Capacity Building, Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by MAC to assist counties in use of opioid settlement revenue. Mr. Johnson and Ms. Dolinky provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Mr Johnson and Ms. Dolinky received and answered questions from the Subcommittee, and agreed to provide the following:

1. Information regarding prescribers' procedures for screening patients for histories of addiction when prescribing opioids.

Judge Harvey Hoffman, Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals, and J. T. Mackey, Cinnaire, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by Andy's Place. Judge Hoffman and Mr. Mackey provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Dunya Kilano, Director of Operations, Face Addiction Now (FAN), provided testimony to the Subcommittee on resources and services provided by FAN. Ms. Kilano provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Kilano received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Sam Price, Chair, SUD Subcommittee, Provider Alliance, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on recommendations for the appropriation of opioid settlement revenue. Mr. Price provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Mr. Price received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Kelly Ainsworth, Senior Program Director, Greater Flint Health Coalition, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by the Genesee County Peer Recovery Coach Initiatives. Ms. Ainsworth provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Kelli Dobner, Chief Growth Officer, and Anthony Muller, Vice President of SUD Services, Samaritas, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by Samaritas. Ms. Dobner and Mr. Muller provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Dobner and Mr. Muller received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Patrick Patterson, President, Michigan Association of Recovery Community Organizations, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by Recovery Community Organizations (RCOs). Mr. Patterson provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Eric Adelman, Chief Advancement Officer, Gesher Human Services, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by recovery Clubhouses.

Mr. Adelman received and answered questions from the Subcommittee, and agreed to provide the following:

1. Contact information for additional Clubhouses operating in Michigan.

Susan Salhaney, Chief Operating Officer, and George Winn, Chief Strategy Officer, Judson Center, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by the Judson Center. Ms. Salhaney and Mr. Winn provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Linda Little, President and Chief Executive Officer, Neighborhood Service Organization (NSO), provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by NSO.

Ryan Hundt, Chief Executive Officer, Michigan Works! Association, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by Michigan Works!. Mr. Hundt provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Jenny Brown, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Dutton Farm, provided testimony to the Subcommittee on the resources and services provided by Dutton Farm.

Yashica Ellis, Client Services Coordinator, Wellness Services, provided written testimony to the Subcommittee.

There being no further business before the Subcommittee, Chair VanWoerkom adjourned the meeting at Noon.

Representative Greg VanWoerkom, Chair

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