

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

ORDINANCE NO. _____

Amending MCC Chapter 21 – Health and Declaring an Emergency.

(Language ~~stricken~~ is deleted; double underlined language is new.)

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

1. Multnomah County seeks to develop an integrated community health system that achieves better care and better behavioral and physical health outcomes through better care coordination and collaboration for the Medicaid population and the larger community. Aligning the behavioral and physical health programs advances the County's goals associated with health system transformation.

2. In order to positively impact healthcare outcomes, the community health system must take a holistic approach to patient care which recognizes that the mind and body cannot be separated: symptoms and illness in one impacts the health of the other. Therefore, the integration of the Mental Health and Addiction Services Division within the Multnomah County Health Department provides a foundation for improved client outcomes.

3. On January 15, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution Number 2015-005 establishing the alignment of Behavioral and Physical Health Programs in a single department and directing the Department of County Human Services to engage in the process of transferring the Mental Health and Addiction Services Division to the Multnomah County Health Department.

4. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners adopts this Ordinance to align the Multnomah County Code with the provisions of Resolution Number 2015-005.

Multnomah County Ordains as Follows:

Section 1. MCC § 21.001 is amended as follows:

The department of health is established. The head of the department is the Director of the Health Department (director). The director must appoint and the Board will approve a community mental health program director who will perform the duties prescribed by state law. ~~It~~ The department shall perform the following functions:

- (A) Provide the services and perform the duties imposed by state law on the local health officials;
- (B) Provide community health care;
- (C) Provide environmental health services, including vector control; ~~and~~
- (D) Provide health-related services prescribed by state law;

(E) Provide community, adult, child and adolescent mental health services; and

(F) Provide alcohol and drug treatment services.

Section 2. MCC § 21.200 is added as follows:

§ 21.200 TITLE.

This subchapter shall be known as the Mental Health Advisory Committee Law.

Section 3. MCC § 21.201 is added as follows:

§ 21.201 MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(A) As required by state law, there is a Mental Health Advisory Committee.

(B) The committee performs the following:

(1) Advises the local mental health authority and the community mental health and developmental disability program director on community needs and priorities for services and assists in planning, review and evaluation of services, and

(2) Participates with other agencies, groups and interested persons in the promotion of community awareness of mental health and developmental disability needs and services.

Section 4. MCC § 21.202 is added as follows:

§ 21.102 MEMBERSHIP.

(A) Members. The mental health advisory committee (committee) is comprised of the membership of four county advisory councils:

(1) mental and emotional disabilities;

(2) chemical dependency;

(3) developmental disabilities; and

(4) child and adolescent mental health.

(B) Residency required. All members of the above advisory councils must reside or work in the county.

(C) Terms. Terms of members are determined in accordance with the bylaws of each program area advisory council.

(D) Compensation. Members receive no compensation for serving on the committee or council.

(E) Resignation. The procedure for resignations will be determined in accordance with the bylaws of each program area advisory council.

(F) Vacancies. Nominations to fill vacancies on the advisory councils will be submitted from the four program area councils in accordance with their bylaws for appointment by the Chair with approval of the Board.

Section 5. MCC § 21.103 is amended as follows:

§ 21.103 MEETINGS.

(A) Regular meetings. Regular meetings of each of the four program area advisory councils comprising the mental health advisory committee must be held at least quarterly.

(B) Special meetings. At the request of the mental health authority, or any of the four program area advisory council chairs, an ad hoc meeting of the chairs may be convened to consider cross-program issues or to serve as the single contact point to fulfill state requirements.

(C) Communications. All four chairs will receive all minutes and communications from the other advisory councils comprising the mental health advisory committee. The department will notify subsequent chairs who take office of their council's identification as part of the mental health advisory committee and their ad hoc responsibilities with the other advisory council chairs.

(D) Quorum. Requirements for a quorum will be determined in accordance with the bylaws.

(E) Conduct of meetings. The current edition of Roberts Rules of Order governs all meetings of the committee and its standing or special committees, to the extent they are consistent with council bylaws.

(F) Notice. The committee will comply with the requirements of the state public meetings law.

Section 6. MCC § 21.104 is added as follows:

§ 21.104 OFFICERS.

The officers of the four program area advisory groups shall be selected in accordance with each council's bylaws.

Section 7. MCC § 21.105 is added as follows:

§ 21.105 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

Any member of the committee who has special interest in any matter before the committee shall so inform the committee and refrain from voting on the matter. However, the interested member may participate in any discussion by the committee of such matter.

FIRST READING AND ADOPTION: _____ *(type in meeting date)*

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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