

COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2022

Attendance:

Domestic Violence Board Members Present:

Andrea Bradbury, Bradley Burbach, Jackie List, Jeanette Barich, Jennifer Parker, Jessica Fann, Karen Morgenthaler, Lori Griffith, Michelle Hunter, Nicole Collins, Nil Buckley, Raechel Alderete, Sandra Campanella, Stephanie Fritts

Domestic Violence Board Members Absent:

Erin Gazelka, Kristiana Huitrón, Tally Zuckerman, Tracey Martinez

Staff Present:

Adrienne Corday, Caroleena Frane, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Jess McBrayer, Jesse Hansen, Rachael Collie, Yuanting Zhang

Guests:

Alina Galushko, Amanda Albo, Andrea Paolucci, Greg Schmidli, Jalice Vigil, Jeffrey Parker, Jennifer Ely, Kara Napolitano, Kathi Bui, Kaye Knaub, Kim Smith, Philippe Marquis, Rebecca Howe, Russha Knauer, Sharon Griffin, Tracy Burton, Tricia Saunders, Wellesley Bush

Introductions

The meeting convened online at 9:04AM. Stephanie Fritts (Chair) introduced herself as the Chair and welcome the Board and guests. Jesse indicated to Stephanie that a quorum was not present. He suggested to move to staff announcements first.

Announcements:

- Staff Announcements:
 - Jesse Hansen Announced:
 - The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) presented its findings from the 2021 Sunset Report to the House Judiciary Committee on February 1st, 2022. The hearing generated discussion about the Domestic Violence Offender Management Board (DVOMB), the *Standards*, and oversight measures concerning *Standards Compliance Reviews (SCR)*.
 - Jesse indicated that program staff are requesting a fiscal note in order to provide greater support in conducting SCRs.
 - Staff will announce when the next DVOMB sunset hearing is scheduled.
 - February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. The Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ) in conjunction with Violence Free Colorado created a [website](#) to spread awareness and resources.
 - Lori Griffith requested to become a member of the Application Review Committee (ARC). Stephanie asked if there was consensus to approve Lori to join the ARC.

There was consensus to approve Lori to join the ARC.
 - There will be a portion of the March meeting agenda that will be dedicated for Committee Reports.



- There is funding that is coming from the Division of Criminal Justice in the form of a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), for those who may be interested. Staff provided the link for more information.
- DVSOMB Conference Update:
 - Theme: Working Together to Build Hope and Celebrate Resilience.
 - The Call for Papers solicitation has been published. There have been seven submissions so far. The last day to submit is February 18th. If interested, submit your proposals, and distribute the announcement to your professional networks.
- Training Events:
 - 2022 Training Calendar
 - DVI02 – February 14th, 2022
 - DVI03 – March 7th, 2022
 - Carolina Frane announced:
 - On February 7th Carolina visited Boulder Probation for a job fair seeking to recruit prospective providers. She reported that they did a great job and there is hope to recruit more Spanish speaking clinicians. There was a discussion about possibly replicating these job fairs in other judicial districts to recruit Domestic Violence (DV) Providers and providers that have language skills and different skills that would be valuable.

Following the staff announcements, Jesse indicated that a quorum was present. Stephanie asked if there was consensus to approve the February agenda.

There was consensus to approve the February agenda.

Next, the Board reviewed the January minutes. Stephanie asked if there was a motion.

Lori Griffith moved to approve the January minutes. Karen Morgenthaler seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the January minutes. Stephanie asked Yuanting to prepare the vote. Yuanting reminded public members that only Board members should vote.

The motion passed with fourteen votes to approve, zero votes to object, and zero votes to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100.0%	14
No	0.0%	0
Abstain	0.0%	0
Totals	100%	14

Board Announcements

There were no Board announcements.

Public Announcements

There were no public announcements.

Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items

Domestic Violence & Human Trafficking Training:

Kara Napolitano is with the Laboratory to Combat Human Trafficking and a leader within the state and in the country on human trafficking. She conducted a presentation regarding the intersection of human trafficking and domestic violence. Everyone in attendance will receive 1.15 hours of training credits.

Discussion:

- Is there any ideas or resources on how to best evaluate offenders for these things before they happen, even if they have not been charged or convicted of these things but to prevent it, and provide an intervention on the treatment side of things?
- The presenter shared screening tools with Jesse Hansen and are available to share.

Revision to Section 9.0 and Teletherapy Listing Status: (Handout)

Karen Morgenthaler and Carolina Frane reviewed the proposed changes to Section 9.0 of the *Standards* that were presented at the last Board meeting. Carolina provided a short recap of the process to revise Section 9.0 and why these revisions were necessary. This included members of the Application Review Committee who reviewed these changes and were supportive of their inclusion in the *Standards*.

Stephanie asked if there was any discussion by the Board.

Discussion:

- One Board member expressed concerns about the document overall, citing that the document was confusing and contradictory. The Board member asked if all applicants need to be in the state of Colorado to do domestic violence treatment because there is a provision that is for people outside of Colorado.
 - Staff indicated the language on page 2 of Section 9.0 is specific to instances where an applicant has been providing these domestic violence services in another state and is moving or has moved to Colorado.
 - Staff modified the language to “Out-of-State equivalency applications.”
- One Board member asked if these changes obligate a supervisor to provide the DVOMB with their supervision contract with a supervisee? If this is the case, the Board member indicated that this seemed to micromanage supervisors and feels too prescriptive.
 - Staff indicated the Application Review Committee (ARC) has reviewed grievances regarding supervision issues and this requirement is to ensure that these agreements are addressed prior to a person entering a supervision contract. The DVOMB has lost prospective providers from being misinformed by their supervisors on what was allowed and not allowed.
- One Board member suggested:
 - To have a certain number of Approved Providers on the subworking group of the committee for their feedback.
 - To have training and technical assistance on these revisions of the *Standards* on how to implement them correctly.
- Staff indicated that this language had received extensive review by members of the ARC which includes Approved Providers. Despite this staff indicated that it appears there may still need to be further deliberations on these proposed revisions.

Jeanette Barich made a motion to table this item to go back to the ARC Workgroup. Andrea Bradbury seconded the Motion.

The motion passed with 14 votes to approve, zero votes to object, and zero votes to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100.0%	14
No	0.0%	0
Abstain	0.0%	0
Totals	100%	14

Revisions to Appendix I Regarding Teletherapy Requirements: (Handout)

Karen Morgenthaler and Carolina Frane reminded the Board that this item was presented to the Board at the January meeting. The proposed changes in Appendix I provide the requirements associated with those who are approved to offer services via telehealth. These requirements are the result of survey feedback, stakeholder input, and the current literature that is available regarding the use of teletherapy with justice-involved populations.

The ARC did consider additional feedback. Of note there was additional conversation with providers who were concerned that the word “should” in the inclusionary and exclusionary provisions was confusing and too strong. It was noted that this inclusionary and exclusionary criterion is not meant to be a checklist, but more so as factors to be considered by Approved Providers when determining the appropriateness of clients use with teletherapy. As a result, it was recommended to replace the word “should” with “may” in order to help clarify that this is client driven and not for the convenience for the Approved Provider.

Discussion:

- One Board member suggested that the wording regarding Colorado residency be consistent to what is required by the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA).
- Staff noted that these requirements do not encourage the practice of a provider solely doing teletherapy services from outside of the state. Clients who are not appropriate for teletherapy will require in-person services and as a result, programs will still need to have the capacity to offer in-person services to clients.
 - Added language: Maintain an option for in-person services in the event that it is determined that teletherapy is no longer appropriate.
- Another Board member indicated that language should be considered to address military clients who identify as Colorado as their home.
- There was a discussion regarding replacing “should” to “may” and there was support for this change.

Jessica Fann made a motion to approve the revisions to Appendix I Regarding Teletherapy Requirements as amended. Jackie List seconded the Motion.

The motion passed with 13 votes to approve, zero votes to object, and zero votes to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100.0%	13
No	0.0%	0
Abstain	0.0%	0
Totals	100%	13

Staff thanked everyone for their contributions to this document. Staff also noted these changes will go out for public comment for consideration by the Board at the March meeting. An implementation plan will be drafted and presented to the Board.

New Guiding Principle Regarding Cultural Competencies and Factors: (Handout)

Jesse Hansen reminded the Board that the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee presented a new Guiding Principle at the January meeting that sought to stress the importance of multiculturalism in the context of treatment. This Guiding Principle addresses the providers and client relationship. Staff reviewed the subsequent changes offered by the DEI Committee.

Jessica Fann made a motion to approve the Cultural Competencies and Factors Guiding Principle. Karen Morgenthaler seconded the Motion.

The motion passed with 11 votes to approve, zero votes to object, and zero votes to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100%	11
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100%	11

White Paper: Domestic Violence Civil Cases without Criminal Findings: (Handout)

Due to a lack of quorum this item was postponed.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 PM

Respectfully submitted by,
Adrienne Corday

Voting Legend
 1 = Yes
 2 = No
 3 = Abstain
 NP = Not Present at the Time of Vote

Individual Voting Results

Active Participants	Total Participants				
16	18				
Last Name	First Name	Motion 1	Motion 2	Motion 3	Motion 4
Bradbury	Andrea	1	1	1	1
Burback	Bradley	1	1	1	1
Gazelka	Erin	NP	NP	NP	NP
List	Jackie	1	1	1	1
Barich	Jeanette	1	1	1	1
Parker	Jennifer	1	1	1	NP
Fann	Jessica	1	1	1	1
Morgenthaler	Karen	1	1	1	1
Huítrón	Kristiana	NP	NP	NP	NP
Griffith	Lori	1	1	1	1
Tracey	Martinez	NP	NP	NP	NP
Hunter	Michelle	1	1	1	1
Collins	Nicole	1	1	1	NP
Buckley	Nil	1	1	1	1
Alderate	Raechel	1	1	NP	NP
Campanella	Sandra	1	1	1	1
Fritts	Stephanie	1	1	1	1
Zuckerman	Tally	NP	NP	NP	NP

Motion 1: Lori Griffith moved to approve the January minutes. Karen Morgenthaler seconded the motion.

Motion 2: Jeanette Barich made a motion to table this item to go back to the ARC Workgroup. Andrea Bradbury seconded the Motion.

Motion 3: Jessica Fann made a motion to approve the revisions to Appendix I Regarding Teletherapy Requirements as amended. Jackie List seconded the Motion.

Motion 4: Jessica Fann made a motion to approve the Cultural Competencies and Factors Guiding Principle. Karen Morgenthaler seconded the Motion.