

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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Crisis RFP – We have come to learn that the RFP was sent out last week and now there is a scramble to respond to the questions protocol that is in place. CBHC has taken on the effort to consolidate all the questions from across the state to meet the October 8th deadline. The RFP must be submitted in 6 weeks from date of the question submittal. The RFP is contained to the 7 RAE regions and only non-profits are eligible to apply. This disqualifies Health Colorado and only leaves us with SyCare to respond. The SyCare Board is in agreement that an RFP should go forward from this entity. The politics on this is quite intense given the fact there may not be enough funds to successfully operate the program. I am waiting to get a better picture on how other MHC's are thinking of responding to this dilemma. Everyone believes that this is a politically motivated and flawed RFP. One of our options is to file a protest based on different concerns with the RFP. On the back side the concern is if we do not bid some outside entity would fill the gap. The hope is that this will be delayed for the next administration. We are in the process of negotiating with a consultant to do the RFP and at the same time watching the politics play out on a bigger stage. This is an investment that we truly have to make to keep our current position as a crisis provider. More to come.

Health Colorado – It appears that the staff are once again in agreement that they have to work out their differences. I am hopeful that this does not come back on Alonzo regarding the personnel matters that his continuing to manage. We are still monitoring the IPN and have some concerns with the overall containment. We believe that there is no need to grow the IPN and will see if there is any push back from other service providers or the state.

Another interesting matter that has come up with Donald Moore and PCHC. Health Colorado has been trying to contract with him to become an accountable provider for Region 4 and have not been successful. He is demanding more dollars and will remain a contract provider. We have prepared the state for the protest we know he will make. This does not mean that he will not come back to the table. At this time we think he is contained based on his own positioning.

Expansion of the Soboxon Services – We have dedicated three office spaces at the Monte Vista location for this purpose. We will be modifying two of the offices to accommodate the requirements of the treatment protocol. We have been successful in contracting with the right credentialed staff to open the program in approximately 2 weeks.

CBHC – The dues structure has changed as a result of the loss of the BHO dues. The end result is an increase to all the MHC's. The increase in dues was voted on and passed this last week. Even with this adjustment CBHC has reduced its budget by approximately 1 million dollars.

Gil Romero just learned that the State of Colorado had made substantial gains in the projected income and has exceeded the need by \$212 million. The overall budget reserves has now

exceeded 1 billion dollars for the state. He also reports that the voter registration in the state has now exceeded over 30 thousand and is increasing daily. He believes that this is mostly on the democrat side, which will help in the Governor's race. He reports that all of the races are very close and if the stars are lined up right some of the republican seats will be won over.

Crisis Walk in Center – The Open House was very successful with many participants from across the community thanking us for the services we are offering. Cathy reports getting the most hugs. I would like to schedule a tour the day of our meeting.