



MHARS Ad Hoc Disparities Committee

Thu, Oct 8, 2020 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (EDT)

The meeting will be seen by the public via Facebook Live:

<https://www.facebook.com/mharslc>

A Board meeting packet will be available to the public 48 hours prior to the Board meeting

at: <https://www.mharslc.org/public-notice/>

Committee members: Regan Phillips (Committee Chair), Dr. Tracey Frierson, Inez James, Dr. Hope Moon (ex-officio)

Expected Staff: Elaine Georgas

- I. Call to Order
- II. Resources for Board to Utilize CLAS:
 - a. Think Cultural Health: <https://thinkculturalhealth.hhs.gov/clas>
 - b. Possible option: e-learning - <https://healthequity.wa.gov/clastrainingandresources>
- III. Old Business
 - a. Develop an Equity and Inclusion Action Plan/Disparities Statement
 - i. Incorporating Strategic Plan Items
 - ii. Five Goals:
 1. Increase access to behavioral health services for minorities and underserved populations
 2. Improve the quality of behavioral health services for minorities and underserved populations
 3. Build on community strengths to increase the capacity of and empower minorities and underserved communities
 4. Develop, fund and demonstrate the effectiveness of population-specific programs
 5. Access local and state resources to support the reduction of behavioral health disparities.
 - b. Other community partnerships – Foundations, Urban League, Providers
 - c. Youth and Young Adult Led initiatives
 - i. Possible Collaboration with Mercy Health and Lorain City Schools
 - ii. Other ways to expand adult facilitated- youth led initiatives
- IV. Next meeting – November 12, 2020 6:00 pm.
- V. Adjournment

The Ad Hoc Disparities Committee shall assess and recommend programs, practice and policies that address behavioral health inequities for Lorain County’s residents, and will partner with community stakeholders to advance health equity, improve quality and help eliminate racial and healthcare disparities.