

April 7, 2021 | 10:00-11:00am

- 10:00-10:05 Welcome & Introductions**
- Please update your Zoom name to include your Organization. Thank you!
- 10:05-10:30 BH Licensure Supervision**
- Review & discussion of proposed approach (*see next page*)
 - Timeline & next steps
- 10:30-11:00 HCA & Comagine BH Performance Measure Study**
- Presentation & feedback
 - See flyer for background
- 11:00 Wrap-up & next forum**
- June 2, 10-11am

NOTES

BH Licensure Supervision

Proposed approach

- Purpose: To support provider organizations with master's level staff with supervision so that the staff can gain critical licensure & to build capacity for supervision in our region.
- Funds allocated: \$150,000
- Partners submit request for funds through BHT, up to a proposed per organization limit for the first round of requests
- Guiding principles
 - Set some parameters for first round to support as many partner organizations as possible
 - Not a competitive process
 - More flexibility in approach is better – for supervisors & agencies/supervisees
- Behavioral health (BH) includes licensed mental health (MH), substance use disorder (SUD), and social work (SW) professionals
- This is first round. Will gauge need and available funding for possible additional rounds of funding/different areas of fund requests from there.

Areas for funds requests

1. Hiring outside supervision
 - a. Organization contracts with own selected supervisor(s) & applies to BHT for funds
 - b. BHT will compile list of willing/available supervisors, or organization can identify their own
 - c. Request can include related costs such as supervision materials, licensure exams following supervision, etc.

d. *Limit: Up to 2 supervisees per organization (double if joint supervision)*

2. Pay for costs of becoming a supervisor

- a. Organizations identifies existing qualified employee(s) interested in becoming a licensed supervisor & applies to BHT for funding
- b. Request can cover training costs, materials, exam fees, etc.
- c. *Limit: Up to 2 qualified employees completing requirement to become supervisors*

Discussion

- Dan Sigler (Pioneer): I think this is a great plan to get us started.
- Ron Tussey (STARS): Could this be used to pay for supervision training?
 - Yes! See area #2 above
- Linda Lauch (AICC): we have 2 folks who can supervise. Need help identifying interns/trainees/folks needing supervision
 - Kolleen Seward (PFC): I also am in the position of having slots in my agency for up to 2 trainees (SUD) at Partners but no individuals to fill those spots
 - BHT will look at compiling a list of agencies that have openings/placements for trainees.
- KayDee Steele: Hi, the Colleges and Universities can maybe assist with Practicum students.
- Another need for funds is licensure exam
- Melva Moore (YWCA Spokane): If we wanted to be an identified supervisor, would BHT would only be able to pay the identified hourly rate? Not additional costs such as a loss of billing hours etc.
 - It would be up to the org requesting the supervisor & the supervisor to negotiate rate, and it could potentially include lost hours. The organization would then request funding from BHT.
- Melva Moore (YWCA Spokane): Who do we contact to get more information re: being an identified supervisor?
 - Contact sarah@betterhealthtogether.org
- Brittany Campbell (NEWESD101): I'd like to know what area the supervisors have experience in... are they in clinics, hospitals, schools, etc.
- Louise Chadez: consider setting cap/max you'll pay on supervisor time
 - Or cap for total amount per org to allow for more orgs to receive some funding

BHT next steps

- ID interested supervisors for BHT menu
 - Availability & # of hours
 - Licensure can supervise & specialties
- BHT will release a fund request application form – approx. early May
- BHT will also create standard agreement language to receive funds, including reporting on use

HCA & Comagine BH Performance Measure Study

- When does survey link close?
 - At end of meeting. If you have additional thoughts/feedback/comments, email to LFanning@comagine.org
- Cathy Doran (YFA Connections): Can we please get a copy of Alice's slides? Thanks!
 - Yes, will send to BHT to share

- Other comments/discussion
 - Annabelle Payne (POCC): Developing/tracking data structures also needs funding and availability of qualified workforce
 - Louise Chadez: More info that address direct clinician issues
 - Cathy Doran (YFA Connections): SUD workforce shortage and lack of funding to compensate staff adequately