

Mental Health Advisory Committee
Meeting is held virtually on the teams platform.
September 3, 2024, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Montgomery County Mental Health Advisory Committee, mandated by the State of Maryland, is committed to evaluate and monitor the development of mental health services and to work collaboratively with our community partners to monitor, advise and advocate for a comprehensive mental health system of care for all persons in Montgomery County.

	Time	Topic	Lead / Speaker
1	7:00	▶ Welcome MHAC Members and Guests	Libby
2	7:05	<p>▶ New Business</p> <p>A. Commission on Health Update- Donna Cawley</p> <p>B. AODAAC – Laura Mitchell</p> <p>C. Montgomery County Goes Purple – Laura Mitchell</p> <p>D. Suicide Prevention Coalition – Celia Serkin</p> <p>E. CAYAS update – Michelle Grigsby-Hackett/Celia Serkin</p> <p>F. Election for new executive committee - Jennifer Grinnell Libby Nealis – Chair Michelle Grigsby Hackett – Vice Chair</p> <p>G. Libby to meet with HHS committee of the County Council in October to present priorities.</p> <p>H. October meeting – suggestions for speaker</p> <p>I. November meeting – suggestions for speaker</p>	Libby
	7:40	<p>▶ Discussion of FY26 Budget Priorities with</p> <p>A. Monica Martin, Acting Chief of Behavioral Health and Crisis Services</p> <p>B. Sara Rose, LCPC, Director of Local Behavioral Health Authority</p> <p>C. Arnecia Moody, LCSW-C, LCSW, LICSW, Senior Administrator, Behavioral Health & Crisis Services Department of Health and Human Services</p> <p>D. Dorné Hill, LCSW-C, Senior Administrator for Crisis, Intake and Trauma Services, Behavioral Health and Crisis Services, Department of Health and Human Services.</p> <p>Every June the MHAC starts their discussion of the FY-26 budget priorities. In October, the Chairs of all the BCC's meet with the Health and Human Services committee of the County Council where we present our budget priorities/work priorities for the next fiscal year. (Attached to email is Draft Budget priorities.)</p> <p>▶ Some Questions for Monica, Sara, Arnecia and Dorne</p> <p>1. FY-25 County budget for HHS/BHCS/LBHA and current status of programming</p> <p>2. Homeless problems - People are having to sleep at the Crisis Center due to the lack of shelter.</p>	Libby

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Waitlist - Adolescent and Adult outpatient clinics. (Viviana Azar(recently retired) has given this information and it will be presented at the meeting) 4. Update on hospital overstays for mental health crisis. 5. Chief of BHCS - What is being done to fill this position. 	
3	8:45	J. Old Business - Minutes from July 2024	Libby
4	8:50	A. Announcements from Commissioners/ and or the Public	Libby
10	8:55	B. Adjournment	Libby

Please contact Diane Lininger, LCSW-C, Program Manager for The Montgomery County Commission on Juvenile Justice, and the Mental Health Advisory Committee, at Diane.lininger@montgomerycountymd.gov if you have any questions and/or are unable to attend the meeting.