



## The Hope Health Alliance, Inc. Bylaw Amendment

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### Amendment 1A-2020

#### Article 2 of the Bylaws is amended to add:

*The Hope Health Alliance is operated by persons with lived experience in behavioral health. We believe that peer relationships are valuable and allow us to share our experiences regarding mental health and co-occurring issues. By coming from a shared experience, we allow for empathy and understanding to better our relationships with various clientele. Our treatments are evidence-based to provide the best overall care for each peer.*

Notwithstanding, anything herein to the contrary, the purposes of this corporation are limited exclusively to charitable and exempt purposes, both education and through social welfare promotion, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The corporation will, without discrimination, provide services and accept payment from all those who qualify for Medicaid and Medicare programs; as well as to provide charity care to the extent of the corporation's financial ability.

The corporation will provide, largely through grant funds, peer-driven community behavioral health services including crisis response, Emergency Care Provider (ECP) initial and continuing education, Behavioral Health Peer Support (PS) continuing education, and ECP/PS technical assistance, through:

#### **Educational and Consulting Services**

- Behavioral Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) Courses
  - To prepare peers to provide pre-hospital assessment and treatment interventions for patients of all ages with a variety of medical conditions and traumatic injuries; with special attention to those with behavioral health conditions.
    - The course will use the National Education Standards, Montana Board of Medical Examiners [BOME] Pre-hospital Treatment Protocols/Guidelines.
  - Courses are designed to encourage participation of Behavioral Health Peer Support Specialists and those with lived-experience in behavioral health.
- Training for Clinical Supervisors of Peers
  - Provide initial and continuing education / coaching for licensed clinicians to provide Clinical Supervision of Certified Behavioral Health Peer Support Specialists (CBHPSS) under the rules and regulations of the Montana Board of Behavioral Health. Clinical Supervision of CBHPSS is fairly new in Montana and has differences from supervising degreed persons seeking licensure.



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- Continuing Education for Providers, Peers, EMR, EMT, Therapists, local fire departments, Quick Response Units, and law enforcement
  - Scene Safety
  - Behavioral Health Symptoms & Management
  - Self Injury
  - Suicidal Thoughts, Plans, Means, and Intent
  - Homicidal Thoughts, Plans, Means, and Intent
  - Duty to Warn
  - Trauma Informed Care Approaches
  - Communication Skills
  - Safety Planning
  - Community Referrals
- Provide Cultural Assessment and Training of Organizations for Providing Peer-related Services
  - Assess where an organization is in their culture of the acceptance and readiness for hiring Certified Behavioral Health Peer Support Specialists (CBHPSS)
  - Education of areas needing improvement to management and line staff of the organization for the implementation of CBHPSS.
  - Continued consultation as needed for the cultural shift within the organization

### Community Health Improvement Services

- Presentations to public agencies regarding evolving evidence-based care models and billing models that could improve behavioral health services locally, and statewide.
- Presentations to community gatherings on evidence-based, peer-driven, behavioral health programs and restructuring the behavioral health crisis response system.
- Through promoting and conducting courses such as Applied Suicide Intervention Trainings, available to the public.
- Participate in the Montana system of Behavioral Health Local Advisory Councils, Service Area Authorities, and the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division.

### Direct Behavioral Health Services

#### Peer Enhanced Emergency Response Services “PEERS” Program

- Assist communities, rural and frontier, in utilizing the PEERS model [Certified Behavioral Health Peer Support Specialists (CBHPSS) cross trained as Emergency Medical Responders (EMR) and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)]to:



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- Allow the community to manage behavioral health related 911, crisis/warm line, and other professional referrals such as those from law enforcement and primary care providers
- Allow the community to manage discharges of patients from facilities such as emergency rooms, jails, Montana State Hospital, Crisis Programs, and in-patient behavioral health units
- Allow the community to employ peer home follow-up programs for non-crisis home visits to those with behavioral health conditions

### Community Mental Health Center – Peers to Peers

- Full array of cost effective, high quality, trauma-informed, inter-agency coordinated behavioral health services to those in need throughout the community, including:
  - Homeless outreach and support
  - LGBTQ+ outreach and support
  - Individual therapy
  - Group therapy
  - Illness, Management, and Recovery
    - Individual and Group
  - Community Based Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Support (CBPRS)
    - Individual and Group
  - 24 hour Crisis Line staffed by mental health professionals
  - Drop-in center
  - Telehealth/Telemedicine

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