

**SCA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**July 28, 2025**

**CONFERENCE CALL VIA Microsoft Teams**

**MEMBERS' PRESENT:**

Kim Long  
Brian Frey  
Ken Marzinko  
Dave Bender  
Brian Klugh  
Ken Ralph

**Guest:**

Tom Lisi

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rick Kastner  
Ashley Reese  
Dan Makowski

**A. Welcome and Introductions**

Rick welcomed the SCA Advisory Board members and guests.

**B. Minutes**

The minutes of May 19, 2025, did not have any suggested changes or corrections, and were approved as written.

**C. Update on Local and Statewide Topics and Issues**

DDAP has extended their 5-year contract for 6 months with every SCA in PA. The Lancaster County Drug and Alcohol Commission has extended the provider contracts by 6 months. The contracts will be presented to the Commissioners on Tuesday July 29 and Wednesday July 30, 2025. Brian Frey inquired if there are any push back from providers. Providers have already signed and agreed to the contract amendment. No complaints so far. Bryan Frey inquired about when the new DDAP contract will start. DDAP is planning to create a four-and-a-half-year contract that will start January 1, 2026, and end on June 30, 2030.

**D. Medicaid HealthChoices Update**

Rick reviewed the handout regarding the 2024 Lancaster Medicaid SUD Funded Treatment. In 2024 there were 3,812 consumers on Medicaid in Lancaster who received SUD treatment. Medicaid's total cost for Lancaster County SUD treatment was \$27,8181,930 in 2024. Lancaster County SCA funds approximately 1.7 to 2.5 million dollars in SUD treatment each year. Medicaid is the primary public source of funding for mental health and D&A treatment.

**E. Budget Update, Both State and Local**

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The State Budget has not been approved. There is expected to be a delay until September or longer. State funding will not be available until the State Budget is passed. The SCA will continue to submit invoices, however no check from DDAP will be received until the budget is signed.

#### **F. Problems or Issues Occurring in The Field**

Rick reviewed the handout regarding DDAP announcing the first licensed telehealth only drug and alcohol treatment services in Pennsylvania. This could be an issue in the future. The Lancaster SCA will not contract with an agency that does not have a physical presence in Pa.

#### **G. Reports or Plans**

Dan reviewed the handout regarding the Recovery House Scholarship Report. LCDAC contracts with 31 recovery houses within 7 different recovery house organizations. Twenty-three houses are for men and eight houses are for women. Dan reviewed the program goals, data collections, plans for improvement, and enacted changes. Dave Bender inquired if the same amount of funding will be used in FY 2025. Lancaster County Drug and Alcohol Commission was able to meet with the Lancaster Commissioners and were able to get a commitment for a budget of \$250 thousand per fiscal year for the next three years. This was double the previous amount.

#### **H. Office Updates**

LCDAC is fully staffed with everything running smoothly.

#### **I. Provider Overview or Presentation**

There were no Provider overview or presentation.

#### **J. Topics From the SCA Members**

No other topics were presented by SCA Members.

#### **K. Statements or Questions from Guests**

Tom Lisi inquired when the Commissioners agreed to fund the Recovery House budget. It was stated that it was a Resolution and in looking for the exact date, Tom Lisi stated that he will find the date himself.

Tom Lisi inquired about the Trust Settlement and the time frame for spending funds. Dan replied that the Trust funds must be spent within 18 months. The Trust is also willing to give six-month extensions to make sure the money is allocated. The main concern for the Trust is entities not having a plan for implementing services. Lancaster County SCA is creating resolutions to commit the money and show the plan for the funding. Lancaster County is funding medication assisted treatment in the prison, Recovery House Scholarships, funding two SAP assessors, two prevention specialists at Compass Mark and funding a district justice second chances program at Blueprints. Every six months the Lancaster SCA submits a report to the opioid trust in Harrisburg. The Trust is pleased with how Lancaster utilizes the funding and the plan to utilize the funding in the future. It all complies with Exhibit E from the Trust.

#### **L. Adjournment**

With no other business presented by the members or guests, the meeting was adjourned.

**THE NEXT SCA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY  
September 22, 2025, AT 6:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Ashley Reese  
Administrative Secretary