WHAT WE ARE

The Kentucky Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (KBHPAC) is made up of 37 members that serve as an advisory body to the Commissioner of the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (BHDID).

WHY WE EXIST

Kentucky receives federal Block Grant funds annually for the improvement of the behavioral health system of care. Public Law 102-321 requires all states that receive these funds to engage in a comprehensive planning process for allocating them. The planning process must include ongoing direction and feedback from the members of the advisory council.

WHO WE ARE

Individuals in recovery from mental health and/or substance use disorders, parents of children with behavioral health challenges, family members of adults in recovery, and young adults in recovery constitute the majority of the members (at least 51%). Additional seats are held by representatives of state agencies, service providers and advocacy organizations. Members are encouraged to use their unique voices in pursuit of our mission.

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WORKING TOGETHER

The Kentucky Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (KBHPAC) seeks to be an active voice for all Kentuckians affected by behavioral health challenges by forming a partnership of: Individuals in recovery, parents, family members, providers, state agencies, and advocacy organizations.

This partnership ensures, through a comprehensive plan, that ALL individuals with behavioral health disorders (mental health and substance use disorders) have an awareness of, and access to, quality recovery-oriented services in their own communities.

The advisory council also serves as an advocacy body for individuals in recovery, young adults in recovery, parents of children with behavioral health challenges, and family members of adults affected by behavioral health challenges.

OUR MISSION

The Council is the active voice promoting awareness of and access to effective, affordable, recovery-oriented and resiliency-based services in all Kentucky communities.

OUR VISION

We believe that all children, adolescents, and adults in the Commonwealth have the right to recovery-oriented behavioral health services that are affordable, consumer-driven, value their individuality, assist them to achieve their fullest potential, and enable them to live and thrive in their community.

KBHPAC

MEMBERS' DUTIES

Review: Kentucky's annual federal Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Application and Implementation Report.

Monitor & Evaluate: The effectiveness, accessibility, and allocation of behavioral health services in Kentucky.

Advocate: For all individuals with, at risk of, or in recovery from behavioral health disorders, their parents and family members.

Commit: To a 4-year term and attend at least four meetings per year in Frankfort, Kentucky.

JOIN THE COUNCIL

KBHPAC is seeking new members. Membership applications are available by calling BHDID at (502)564-4456 or by visiting the Planning Council website: dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/kbhpac.aspx

We look forward to hearing from you!