

Region II Behavioral Health Board
2015 Year in Review

2015 Legislative Priorities: 1. Medicaid Expansion; 2. Recovery Community Center in Latah County; 3. Crisis /Social Detox Centers; 4. Telehealth access for rural Idaho. 5. Suicide Hot Line improvements; 6. Block grants to improve community services; 7. Post Adoption Services for SED children; 8. CIT training remains a high priority

- Through Transformation, the Board readiness process begins--join with existing agent or stand alone
- Budget to support the seven regional boards was set at \$50,000 per yr for each board
- Board workshop & Team Building conducted (18 board members and 5 supporters attended)
- By-laws updated
- WSU/LCSC started joint research project that eventually rested with WSU and David Makin
- Letter of support for CDA Crisis Center sent to legislators
- Tom Stroschein and Joyce Broadsword appointed Ex-officio members of the Board
- CIT starts March 31
- State Leadership Conference calls started
- Jen Griffis appointed chair of State Planning Council
- Financial support for the following projects:
 - ICADD conference--\$2,400
 - Scholarships to Youth Mental Health First Aide--\$1,725
 - Love & Logic for Early Childhood training--\$950
 - Recovery Coach Training--\$1,000
 - Rent for sustainable housing--\$3,455
 - Snake River Community Clinic--\$3,000
- Justice Reinvestment Act implementation and SHIP grant started
- Board vacancies appointed--Beth Patzer--Hospital and Skye Taylor--Juvenile Justice Reps on the Board
- Reg II Crisis Center Subcommittee established
- Idaho Youth Treatment Project started in Reg II
- BHB developed mission/vision statements in a workshop, it will be on our letterhead and website
- Letter of support sent to IAC and Legislators for Nezperce County Recovery Center
- SUD/MH subcommittees combined into Adult Behavioral Health (ABH) subcommittee
- Housing subcommittee made great strides to increase temporary/transitional housing
- Negotiations were held with Public Health all year in developing a cooperative and functional agreement
- Senators Johnson and Nuxoll and Representative Troy attended Dec Legislative BHB mtg