National Council for Behavioral Health

Association Executives Teleconference Summary Notes

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

**Participants**:

Melanie Brown-Woofter, Blanca Campos, Danette Castle, Nadia Chait, Ann Christian, Le Ondra Clark Harvey, Lauri Cole, Terry Dosch, Mark Drennan, Annette Dubas, Candy Espino, Shannon Hall, Kelly Hansen, Lisa Henick, Heather Jefferis, Kyle Kessler, Misty Leitsch, Mark Levota, Holly McCorkle, Brent McGinty, Pete Nielsen, Michelle Ponce, Andrea Summerville, John Tassoni, Jr., Julie Tessler, Debra Wentz, and Ellyn Wilbur.

**Staff in Attendance**:

Jeannie Campbell, Frankie Berger, Neal Comstock, Sara Haywood, Brett Beckerson, Stephanie Katz, Sarah Surgenor, Rebecca Farley-David, Connor McKay, Michael Petruzelli, Joe Parks, and Joel Nepomuceno.

**Summary Notes:**

**Federal Legislative Update**

Reyna Taylor and Frankie Berger

Reyna gave an update on the ongoing negotiations between House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Steve Mnuchin. She stated negotiations are mostly politically driven as opposed to needs driven and as negotiations progress, it is important to ensure that the funding allotted for behavioral healthcare and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) are protected.

Reyna also reminded Association Executives of two upcoming webinars from HHS on provider relief funds:

* Thursday, October 15th at 3:00 pm which will give an overview of the entire application process of the most recent funding portal and eligibility requirements.
* Friday, October 16th at 3:00 pm, which will give an overview of the expanded phase 3 funding and will focus on behavioral health organizations.

**Announcements**

Jeannie Campbell

Jeannie discussed Association Executives our upcoming webinar with RCPA and the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare and others, scheduled for October 29th at 1:00 pm. During the webinar, speakers will discuss the evolution of virtual conferences, what’s worked, what has not worked, sponsorships, and exhibitor ideas.

Lastly, Jeannie discussed the 2021 Spring Board and Association Executives meetings, which will be held virtually. She stated that we are tentatively planning to have the 2021 Fall Board and Association Executives meeting in-person.

**Next Association Executives Teleconference**

October 20, 2020, 2:00 PM ET