

Maryland Health and Human Services Referral Board
Minutes
August 24, 2018
11:30 – 12:00 p.m.
Conference Bridge

Present:	Patricia Lambert	2-1-1 Maryland, Inc.
	Roy Lancraft	Public Member, Transformational Solutions LLC
	Thomas Laskowski	Public Member, GanTech
	Martina Martin	Maryland State Assoc. of United Ways
	Steve Rohde	Maryland Childcare Resource Network
	Wainie Youn (scribe)	Maryland State Assoc. of United Ways

Absent:	Gloria Brown	Prince George's County Dept. of Human Resources
	Bonnie Cullison	Maryland House of Delegates
	Brittany Fowler	Department of Health
	Bonnie Hudson	Department of Information Technology
	Timothy Jansen	Community Crisis Services
	Kathleen Momme'	United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore

Welcome & Overview

Pat Lambert, chair, called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. The chair updated everyone on the primary purpose of the call -- to gain clarity on the statutory duty of the Maryland Health and Human Services Referral Board.

2-1-1 update

Ms. Martin noted that United Way of Central Maryland 2-11 search team is currently conducting interviews for two full-time roles, a CEO and an operations director. There are good candidates for both roles. The search team expects to conclude the process within the next few weeks. Ms. Martin shared that 2-11 Maryland retained Josh Pederson, former 2-11 CEO, as a part-consultant to direct 2-11 initiatives in the interim.

Chair Lambert raised concerns about how the 2-11 vacancy impacts Review Board's statutory duty to issue report and requested that the issue be raised with 2-11 Maryland representatives. Ms. Martin offered to raise issue with United Way of Central Maryland's board chair.

HHSR Board Role

Chair Lambert summarized the HHSR board role which is to provide oversight to the 2-11 system - generally by way of an annual report. The chair stated an earlier publish date for the report necessary to coincide with start of new General Assembly session and new legislators.

Chair Lambert initiated a discussion about which key items should appear in the report. One central recommendation centered on highlighting the 2-11 and Crisis Response Department partnership. The chair requested impact stories resulting from the partnership for inclusion in the report.

The committee identified several legislative recommendations for inclusion in the report which include ensuring 2-11 is fully-funded and that the task force consist of key stakeholders.

Chair Lambert asked the committee to provide input on the task force and reiterated the need for the Board to ensure the right people are at the table. The chair called on the committee to determine criteria for task force eligibility such as unique skill sets, professional expertise and issues to address. Chair Lambert noted big picture thinking and ability to reimagine 2-11 are essential for role.

Adjournment

Chair Lambert thanked everyone for their support of 2-1-1 Maryland. She expressed appreciation for the opportunity to work with fellow board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wainie D. Youn
Maryland State Association of United Ways Representative