

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 18th DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2012, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special meeting/workshop with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT	COUNTY JUDGE
RICHARD MORRISON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
GRADY PRESTAGE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
ANDY MEYERS	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3
JAMES PATTERSON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
SHERRY FISK for DIANNE WILSON	COUNTY CLERK

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 1:30 pm.

2. Receive update from the Fort Bend County Access to Care and Behavioral Health Workgroups regarding submission of a project/plan to the Regional Healthcare Partnership, Region 3 (Harris County Hospital District), for the Texas Healthcare and Transformation and Quality Program (1115 Waiver) and discuss the financial impact of participation.

Overview presented by Dr. M. desVignes-Kendrick, Director of Health Dept. Dr. Kendrick discussed 11 key points to develop a coordinated early crisis response and intervention system for adults and children with behavioral health disorders that prevents unnecessary use of services in the emergency room or urgent care and the criminal justice system.

Dr. Connie Almeida, Director of Behavioral Health Services, discussed increasing access to community based providers for children and adults with behavioral health disorders to support well being and recovery and reduce unnecessary use of ER, hospitalization or 911 system.

Kaye Reynolds, Deputy Director of Health Dept., discussed developing a care management model that serves patients who currently over utilize the hospital Inpatient and Emergency Room and EMS transport for conditions that could be treated at a community health center.

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor, discussed how this program would affect the County budget including Federal and State funding.

Commissioner Morrison thanked Dr. Kendrick and all the workgroups for all their time and effort on this program. Agenda item for approval of this program will be on September 25 Commissioners Court meeting.

September 18, 2012

3. Adjournment.

The special meeting/workshop adjourned at 2:53 on Tuesday, September 18, 2012.