

**COUNTY OF**



**ALLEGHENY**

**RICH FITZGERALD**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

**MH-ID Advisory Board  
Draft Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

**Teams Meeting**

**Present MH-ID Advisory Board:** Maria Silva, Barbara Wolvovitz, Laurie Barnett Levine, Gerry Dugan, Chris Michaels, Kathy Testoni, Paul Barkowitz

**Absent MH-ID Advisory Board:** none

**Present Staff:** Brenda Bulkoski, Jewel Denne, Denise Macerelli, Bridget McNamee

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**I. Call to Order & Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m.

**II. Board Business**

Bridget will forward September minutes for approval.

**III. Update: Safe Haven Hotel – Diane Johnson**

The Safe Haven hotel is available to individuals who would be at high risk for covid and have not other space in which to quarantine or isolate. It is located in the South Hills and is available to anyone served through Allegheny County DHS. They are currently accepting referrals. Diane will forward more information to Board members.

**IV. OID updates – Brenda Bulkoski**

See slides, available from Bridget McNamee.

**V. OBH updates – Denise Macerelli**

Denise provided updates on the Drug & Alcohol system initiatives: Certified Assessment Centers, Engagement Center, and Safe Place to Stay. Bridget McNamee will forward more information about Pathway to Recovery (formerly known as the Engagement Center).

**VI. Announcements**

NAMI's children's conference will be online this year, and will have a focus on trauma

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## **VII. Next Public Meeting**

The next public MH-ID Advisory Board meeting will be on January 12, 2021.