



DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC HEALTH &
HUMAN SERVICES

BHAC Peer Support & Recovery Services Subcommittee

Minutes

February 10th, 2026

10:00-11:00am

Co-Chairs - Brent Morris and Vanessa Hardy

Vice-Chair - Tara Williamson

Symposium Planning Chair – Tyron LaFountain

BHAC

Additional information, budget, and recommendations to expand settings for peer support was submitted to the BHAC

2026 Montana Peer Support and Recovery Services Symposium

Tentatively September 4th Helena. Same motel in Helena

Puzzle pieces theme.

- Focusing on
 - Group support
 - How to run groups and bill

- Criminal justice peer supports

What is happening at the state level, Issac Coy presentation

Panels and working lunch to fit in a whole conference in the day

Reflecting on how peer supports have transitioned in the state of Montana

How to bridge the gaps, 12-Step presenters

Having some panels on recovery residences

Data collection and coordinating what data is being obtained

“Speed Dating” with networking opportunities

All recovery meeting and meet and greet the night before

If interested in assisting in planning contact Ty

New Business

- Creation of a Recovery Subcommittee proposal
 - Identifying if this is a need so that both ongoing Peer or workforce recommendations can be addressed and addressing recommendations for the full spectrum of recovery and systems or programs that should be addressed to enhance recovery ecosystem for the state.
 - Peter and Don discussed why they support this subcommittee and how they feel that there needs to be an emphasis on the years after the crisis has been addressed and creating a statewide system that focuses on recovery
 - A form requesting that this Subcommittee be established will be completed and presented to the next BHAC for a vote.

Old Business

- Standardized test for becoming a peer support specialist, uniformity in the state for peer support.
- Board of behavioral health is exploring the idea of CBHPSS being supervised by other CBHPSS.

Other

- In-person BHAC meeting April 8th 9-12

Invite for this meeting

Topic: Peer Support and Recovery BHAC sub

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81570869989>

Meeting ID: 815 7086 9989

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 10th, from 10:00-11:00am on Zoom