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<p><b>II. Recognitions and Introductions (cont.)</b> - Dr. Greenberg</p> <p><b>III. Chair's Report</b> - Dr. Greenberg</p> <p><b>IV. Approval of Consent Items</b> - Dr. Greenberg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approval of Excused Absences</li> <li>- Approval of CMHCC Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2023</li> </ul>	<p>Dr. Bushong has a strong dental clinical background in a variety of settings including private practice ownership, teaching as faculty at</p> <p>University of Texas Health San Antonio, School of Dentistry and working at the Audie Murphy VA Dental Clinic in San Antonio. Dr. Bushong has also provided contract dentistry to the National Guard and Geriatric Dental Care. Dr. Bushong implemented various practice management software migrations as well as integrated all of the latest Computer Aided Design (CAD)/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) and laser dentistry processes into her private practice settings.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum presented each CMHCC member with a wood framed Texas map. The map includes all Texas Department of Criminal Justice unit locations and regions.</p> <p>Dr. Owen Murray recognized Dr. Linthicum for 35 years of valuable service to the (UTMB) and its vital mission.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg next moved on to agenda item III, Chair's Report.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg did not have any items to report.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg next moved on to agenda item IV, approval of Consent Items.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg stated that the following five consent items would be voted on as a single action:</p> <p>The first consent item was the approval of excused absences from the March 8, 2023, meeting –Ms. Kris Coons and Dr. Brian Edwards.</p> <p>The second consent item was the approval of the CMHCC meeting minutes from the March 8, 2023, meeting.</p>		

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<p><b>IV. Approval of Consent Items (cont.)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="138 305 470 394">- Approval of TDCJ Health Services Monitoring Report</li> <li data-bbox="138 915 401 972">- University Medical Directors Reports</li> <li data-bbox="138 1037 453 1127">- Summaries of CMHCC Joint Committee / Work Groups Activities</li> </ul>	<p>Dr. Greenberg asked if there were any corrections, deletions, or comments. Hearing none, Dr. Greenberg moved on to the third consent item.</p> <p>The third consent item was the approval of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Second Quarter (TDCJ) Health Services Monitoring Reports.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum answered stating the compliance rate was lower due to the number of nursing staffing challenges for both the (UTMB) and the (TTUHSC). Dr. Linthicum stated they are hopeful that with the action made by the State Legislature to increase the nursing position salaries across state agencies, including the salaries of the Correctional Managed Healthcare nurses, the nursing staffing vacancies will improve.</p> <p>The fourth consent item was the approval of the FY2023 Second Quarter University Medical Director's Reports. There were no comments or discussion of these reports.</p> <p>The fifth consent item was the approval of the FY2023 Second Quarter summary of the CMHCC Joint Committee/Work Group Activities. There were no comments or discussion of these reports.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg then called for a motion to approve the consent items.</p>	<p>Dr. Greenberg commented that some of the nursing compliance rates for the facilities during the Second Quarter, FY2023 (December 2022-February 2023) were lower than other categories. Dr. Greenberg asked if the compliance rates were lower due to the number of nursing staffing vacancies.</p>	

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<p data-bbox="71 185 436 245"><b>IV. Approval of Consent Items (cont.)</b></p> <p data-bbox="71 459 445 516"><b>V. Update on Financial Reports</b> - Rebecca Waltz</p>	<p data-bbox="501 459 1161 516">Dr. Greenberg next called on Ms. Rebecca Waltz to present the financial report.</p> <p data-bbox="501 553 1161 760">Ms. Waltz presented the Financial Report on Correctional Managed Health Care (CMHC) for the Second Quarter of FY 2023, as submitted to the Legislative Budget Board (LBB). The report was submitted in accordance with the General Appropriations Act, Article V, Rider 43. Details of Ms. Waltz report may be found in Tab B of the CMHCC agenda book and are also posted on the CMHCC website.</p> <p data-bbox="501 797 1161 854">Dr. Greenberg thanked Ms. Waltz and opened the floor for questions.</p> <p data-bbox="501 1133 1161 1312">Dr. Linthicum answered stating TDCJ is seeing a number of elderly inmates entering into TDCJ, along with a significant number of on-hand population of inmates, who have aged up in the prison system. Dr. Linthicum stated there is a combination of both which has played a role in the growing number of inmates aged 55 and over.</p>	<p data-bbox="1186 886 1703 1065">Dr. Julia Hiner asked for clarification regarding the growing number of the (CMHC) service population for inmates aged 55 and over was due to inmates aging into the 55 and over age group or if TDCJ has received an increased number older inmates entering into the prison system.</p>	<p data-bbox="1726 185 2020 407">Dr. John Burruss made a motion to approve all consent items and Dr. Phillip Keiser seconded the motion which prevailed by unanimous vote.</p>

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<p><b>V. Update on Financial Reports (cont.)</b> - Rebecca Waltz</p> <p><b>VI. Medical Director's Updates TDCJ Health Services Division FY 2023 Second Quarter Report</b> - Dr. Lannette Linthicum</p>	<p>Dr. Owen Murray answered that Dr. Stephanie Zepeda, Associate VP Pharmacy Services UTMB and CMC, presented the audit to the committee. Dr. Murray stated the report for the 340B Health Resources &amp; Services Administration (HRSA) Audit will not be available for approximately 180 days or longer. The 340B program is responsible for approximately \$100 million dollars in savings each year.</p> <p>Ms. Jennifer Gonzales, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Division, TDCJ answered that the FY2023 spend forward request to cover FY2022 was approved by the Legislative Budget Board to utilize funding from the FY2023 budget to cover the short fall. Ms. Gonzales added that the supplemental funding will cover the FY2023 cost.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg thanked Ms. Waltz then called on Dr. Lannette Linthicum to present the FY2023 Second Quarter TDCJ Medical Director's Report.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum began by explaining that the Correctional Managed Health Care statute 501.150 requires TDCJ to do four things statutorily; ensure access to care, conduct periodic operational reviews or compliance audits, monitor the quality of care, and investigate health care complaints. The Medical Director's Report is a summary of those activities and may be found in Tab C of the CMHCC agenda book and is also posted on the CMHCC website.</p>	<p>Dr. Greenberg asked for clarification regarding the impact of the 340B program and inmate care in the UTMB sector.</p> <p>Dr. Burruss asked for clarification regarding the availability of supplemental funding for the institutions.</p>	

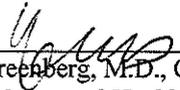
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<p><b>VI. Medical Director's Updates TDCJ Health Services Division FY 2023 Second Quarter Report (cont.) - Dr. Lannette Linthicum</b></p>	<p>Dr. Linthicum stated the agency has a tremendous number of vacancies in mental health clinician positions, due to losing staff to state mental health hospitals who offered a significant pay increase to their mental health clinician positions. Dr. Linthicum stated TDCJ did receive funding from Legislature to be given to the universities in an attempt to try to mitigate for some of those staffing shortages.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum stated that TDCJ is treating a spectrum of mental health disorders in a congregate institutional setting that needs staff on the unit for management purposes.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum stated staffing shortages in some areas has played a role in the unit's noncompliance stating some of the units are in federally designated health professional shortage areas and medically underserved areas by the state. Dr. Linthicum added that they are doing everything they can by including more telemedicine and in some instances, nurses are traveling to other units to help. Dr. Linthicum also added that non-compliant units who score under 80% are placed on a correction action plan to ensure future compliance.</p>	<p>Dr. Burruss commented that he was excited to hear that there is a strategy in place to address the mental health staff vacancies within the universities to assist with the mental health screenings.</p> <p>Dr. Penn added that the COVID-19 pandemic which allowed for some mental health clinician to work from home has also played a role in the mental health clinician vacancies. He reports a lot of mental health providers now prefer to work from home, earning more money instead of working inside of a prison.</p> <p>Dr. Phillip Keiser asked for clarification as to why the same units continue to appear as non-compliant on the Operational Review Audit (ORA).</p>	

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<p><b>VI. Medical Director's Updates TDCJ Health Services Division FY 2023 Second Quarter Report (cont.)</b> - Dr. Lannette Linthicum</p> <p>- <b>Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center</b> - Dr. Denise DeShields</p> <p>- <b>University of Texas Medical Branch</b> - Dr. Owen Murray</p> <p><b>VII. ACA, Commission on Accreditation Performance-Based Expected Practices for Adult Correctional Institutions, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition</b> - Dr. Linthicum</p>	<p>Dr. Greenberg thanked Dr. Linthicum and then called on Dr. Denise DeShields to present the TTUHSC Medical Director's Report.</p> <p>Dr. Denise DeShields announced the resignation of Ms. Kamryn Blayre Phares who was the newly hired registered dietician for TTUHSC. Dr. DeShields reported TTUHSC is currently seeking a new registered dietician.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg thanked Dr. DeShields and then called on Dr. Owen Murray to present the UTMB Medical Director's Report.</p> <p>Dr. Owen Murray thanked TDCJ Executive Director, Bryan Collier, TDCJ Chief Financial Officer, Ron Steffa and Dr. Linthicum for their efforts in advocating to the State Legislature for the Correctional Managed Health Care funding received for FY2024-25.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg thanked Dr. Murray and then called on Dr. Linthicum, to present an overview of the history of the American Correctional Association (ACA) and the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum began by providing the CMHCC with an opportunity to review the Performance-Based Expected Practices for Adult Correctional Institutions, 5th Edition manual.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum provided an overview of the history of the (ACA) and the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections. Her presentation concluded with an overview of the accreditation process. The Performance-Based Expected Practices for Adult Correctional Institutions, 5th Edition was also discussed extensively.</p>		

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<p><b>VII. ACA, Commission on Accreditation Performance-Based Expected Practices for Adult Correctional Institutions, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition (cont.)</b>  - Dr. Lannette Linthicum</p> <p><b>VIII. CMC-Legislative Appropriation Request (LAR): An Update</b>  - Jennifer Gonzales</p>	<p>Dr. Linthicum answered stating, most of TDCJ's institutions are accredited using the Performance-Based Expected Practices for Adult Correctional Institutions, 5th Edition manual however, there are other components of our agency that are accredited using different accreditation manuals.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum answered, there are usually four commissioner present per panel.</p> <p>Dr. Linthicum announced that during 144<sup>th</sup> Congress of Correction Conference, TDCJ was recognized by ACA with the Golden Eagle Award. The award was presented to TDCJ due to achieving accreditation of all aspects of operations, to include accreditation of every facility under its jurisdiction.</p> <p>In addition, Dr. Linthicum announced that in 2018, TDCJ received the Lucy Webb Hayes Award. The award is given to correctional agencies that have achieved full compliance with ACA standards and federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards and is named in honor of first lady and wife of President Rutherford B. Hayes.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg thanked Dr. Linthicum and called on Ms. Jennifer Gonzales, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Division, TDCJ to present an update on the FY2024-25 CMC-(LAR).</p> <p>Ms. Jennifer Gonzales, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Division, Texas Department of Criminal Justice presented an update on the FY2024-25 CMC-(LAR).</p>	<p>Dr. Greenberg asked for clarification regarding the Performance-Based Manual that is used during the accreditation process for the institutional divisions.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg asked how many voting commissioners are present during accreditation hearings.</p>	

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<p><b>VIII. CMC-Legislative Appropriation Request (LAR): An Update (cont.)</b> - Jennifer Gonzales</p> <p><b>IX. Public Comments</b> - Dr. Greenberg</p>	<p>Ms. Gonzales began by thanking Dr. Linthicum for the opportunity to present an update on the FY2024-25 CMC-(LAR).</p> <p>Ms. Gonzales recognized Rebecca Waltz, Budget Director, Business and Finance Division, Texas Department of Criminal Justice and Ashley Adkins, Deputy Budget Director, Business and Finance Division, Texas Department of Criminal Justice for being instrumental in working closely with the universities in preparing the CMC-Legislative Appropriation Request (LAR).</p> <p>Ms. Gonzales overview of the CMC-(LAR) began with a summary of the Exceptional Item Request which included the following four components: maintain current operations; market adjustments; new positions (mental health/sheltered housing) and capital equipment. Next, Ms. Gonzales reported the FY2024-25 funding decisions by the Texas State Legislature which was \$208.3 million dollars.</p> <p>Ms. Gonzales explained employees with salaries under \$60,000 per year, will receive a \$3,000 pay increase while employees earning above \$60,000 will receive a 5% pay increase in FY2024 with an additional 5% or \$3,000 in FY2025.</p> <p>Lastly, Ms. Gonzales provided a comparison of the FY2022-23 appropriation as compared to the FY2024-25 appropriation. FY2024-25 received an 14% increase in funding.</p> <p>Dr. Greenberg noted that in accordance with the CMHCC policy, during each meeting the public is given the opportunity to express comments. No public members requested to address the committee at this meeting.</p>	<p>Dr. Greenberg asked for clarification regarding 5% or \$3,000 pay increase for CMHC employees.</p>	

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X. Adjourn	<p>Dr. Greenberg thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the meeting. Dr. Greenberg announced that the next CMHCC meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2023, in Conroe, Texas.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.</p>		

  
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 Robert D. Greenberg, M.D., Chairman  
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