

Montana Mental Health Trust

Trustee Members:

Amber Spring is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor from Havre, Montana. She maintains a private practice and works as a counselor and adjunct instructor at MSU-Northern. Amber is chair of the Hill County Local Advisory Council, a member of the Hill County Health Consortium, Early Childhood Investment Team, and former facilitator of the Family Support Group for Havre's NAMI community. She is a mental health service provider.

Dr. Gary Mihelish: Dr. Mihelish is a retired Helena, Montana dentist. He served as the president of the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Montana for many years and is now a member of the NAMI board. He has served on various state boards and committees related to the mental health system in Montana. He is an immediate family member of a mental health consumer.

Rebecca de Camara. Rebecca resides in Helena, MT. She serves as the Administrator of the Developmental Services Division and is the representative of the Children's Mental Health Bureau of the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

Zoe Barnard. Zoe resides in Helena, MT. She has over a decade of combined experience serving those with mental illness as both a provider and at the State of Montana. She is the Administrator of the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division and is the representative for that division of the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

Sheriff Brian Gootkin is with Gallatin County. He has been involved in law enforcement in Montana for several years. He currently serves on the Montana CIT board. Sheriff Gootkin is the representative of the law enforcement community.

Hon. Patricia O'Brien Cotter, Retired. Judge Cotter resides in Helena, and recently retired as a member of the Supreme Court of Montana, where she served for 16 years. She practiced law in Great Falls for 17 years before her election to the court. She serves as the Judicial Trustee Member.

Dr. Ian McGrane. Dr. McGrane is a professor of Clinical Pharmacy at the University of Montana, and a Clinical Consultant at St. Patrick Hospital Pharmacy in Missoula. He is the representative of the faculty of a four-year university with knowledge in the field of mental health.

Director: Marcia Armstrong resides in Helena, MT. She worked with the State of Montana for over 32 years. During those 32 years she worked for substance abuse treatment and prevention; grants management; mental health and Medicaid. She was appointed to the Montana Mental Health Trust Fund board 2013 where she served as the representative for adult mental health. She served on the board until 2017. Ms. Armstrong was appointed Trust Director June 2019.