



Community Mental Health Partnership of Southeast Michigan Regional Provider Meeting

September 18, 2009
9:30 – 12:00
Towner 2, Room 1120 (first floor-Atrium)

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Announcements

- **General news and updates**

- **Introductions**

- **Emergency Information Needed-Shauna Reitmeier, PRU**

- Shauna reminded people to please make sure that Provider Relations has your emergency contact information.
 - Stressed the importance of connecting with primary care physicians about public health vaccinations. Make sure that people have access to the H1N1 vaccine. There was a H1N1 fact sheet handed out (attached to these minutes)

- **MDCH/State Update-Patrick Barrie, WCHO Executive Director**

- Patrick gave the group an update on the budget. There was a very large cut in Mental Health in the General Fund dollars. There is a possibility that there could be additional Medicaid dollars. However, you don't know what dollars you might receive until the budget is actually passed.
 - This is an opportunity for finding new revenue. It was suggested that if Patrick find possible revenue sources for providers that he could pass them along.
 - Looking at linking CSTS to the WCHO and reducing redundancies.

- **Office of Recipient Rights update – 5 min**

2. Provider Tracking of Training Concept-Shauna Reitmeier

- Shauna explained that there is a group looking into an efficient automated way to track staff training. Scott Brown explained that within the Encompass there is possibly ways to track direct care staff. Shauna took questions/comments/suggestions from the group about automating training. (Attached to sheet)

3. **Update on the Provider Panel-Shauna Reitmeier**

- There have been ongoing evaluations on the entire network and what we are purchasing. All of the open RFP's are now closed (Community Residential, Supported Employment and the Licensed Independent Practitioners). Patrick Barrie explained that there is a considerable amount of money to get clients served such as trainings, staff wages, etc. He also explained that Eric Kurtz has been appointed as the Managing Director and he will be providing updates to the group.

4. **Provider updates:**

- Barb Fowkes from Spectrum Human suggested that the providers form an input group on the processes that are going on within the WCHO. She is looking for volunteers to sit on this committee for Process Improvements. If you are interested, her email address is bfowkes@spectrumhaman.org.
- St. Louis Center was re-accredited by CARF for the next 3 years
- Christopher Battle just put an automated survey system for their consumers (Steve Weindorf)
- Home Health rate has been an issue for some providers regarding rates.

5. **CLS Update (This will begin at 11am and the non-CLS providers can leave at this point.-Jackie Sproat, Shauna Reitmeier and Sandy Keener**

- Jackie, Shauna and Sandy passed out a handout for the CLS changes for fall 2009 (attached to these minutes)
- October 1, 2008 there were changes made and spring 2009 there was a workgroup formed to address some of the CLS issues. June 2009 there was a CLS weekly staffing worksheet that was sent out to CLS providers.
- The weekly staffing site worksheet (WSS) does not replace the form in Encompass. The worksheet is to be completed according to site plans, if there are changes to your billing, you indicate on the weekly staffing site form in the notes section. The weekly staffing site worksheet should be completed during PCP meetings.
- Requested all CLS providers complete a worksheet and submit to Jackie Sproat by November 10th. There are important dates on the back of the handout. Please note these dates.
- Trainings will be planned for all levels of staff/providers during December 4th-11th. Training times and dates will be sent out when the training has been confirmed and it is closer to the dates.
- There will be a claims shut down on November 17th and will re-open early December. There will be a communication sent out when claims can resume submission.

6. Meeting concluded at 11:50am.

**Next Provider Meeting: January, 29, 2010, 9:30 – 12:00
at 555 Towner, Room 1120 (old 107)**

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