

IDS Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 11th, 2009

Present:

Diane Brandsma, CCS
Terry Dethrow, NPC
Steve Kuhn, New Solutions
Tedra Mandell, ESCTC
Christina McCollum, CAPS
Lona O'Dell, ESCTC
Gloria Thetford, VMH
Richard Horner, MCHD

Rod Calkins, MCHD
Geoff Heatherington, Polk Co.
Paul Logan, NWHS
Tim Markwell, NPC
Cary Moller, CAPS
Erin Smith, CAPS
Gwen Welch, Options
Lola Hackett, NWHS

Meeting called to order at 11:07am

I. Announcements:

- ❖ Geoff reports that the budget for the West Salem clinic is currently in a holding pattern.
- ❖ Steve reports developing an assessment tool with DHS Child Welfare. Expected to start in June, outcome is a rating tool to determine cost of care for children in for foster care. States they will be using a standardized CANS evaluation tool for all kids current and new.
- ❖ Lona reports ESCTC will be performing a preschool screening next month, performing various checks including range of motion, hearing, etc.
- ❖ Rod reports that on 5/12 the Health Department budget will be presented for the Commissioners, and a revenue forecast will be out by 5/15. Shortly after the Ways and Means budget should be released as well. The proposed 15% cut is likely. Funding for indigent and A/D services will be prioritized by poverty level.
- ❖ Cary reports on A/D services, the county contract with Cascadia is ending on 6/30. Bridgeway Recovery Services will assume some of the current Cascadia programs, both Mental Health and A/D. A new location is being evaluated for Her Place, which MCHD will run. A new provider from Polk County, Clear Paths, is opening is Keizer, serving OHP and indigent. The Health Department and Catholic Community Services has capacity for indigent kids, and Cary will be distributing more referral information via email to IDS providers. Also with regard to fee setting, Cary has received some feedback that the current fee setting calculator is not working well, is requesting additional input from providers. Fee schedules due July 1st.

II. Review of Minutes

- ❖ Change of wording under funding proposal, “Latino Teen” to “Latino Team”. Minutes approved.

III. Ways and Means Human Services Sub-Committee - Rod

- ❖ There have been talks of a plan to combine physical health and behavioral health services funding in to one entity that would be responsible for ensuring all service providers are well integrated.
- ❖ The possibility of bringing mental health workers onto a primary care healthcare home is discussed. If such a pilot program is launched, it will be important to be able to record and report data on what each piece of system provides and other system/consumer impacts.
- ❖ BCN has been meeting with MPCHP to evaluate potential initiatives.

IV. Access – Cary & Christina

- ❖ Access continues to be low on the adult side. The referral requests CAPS receives tend to be Med Management Services and/or a combination of both therapy and med management. Cary suggested that the agencies go around the room and discuss there availability for theses services:
- ❖ NWHS is planning to bring Dr. Wong from Salem Hospital on for 6 hours per week of prescriber time, hopefully starting the week of 5/18. Dr. Wong is replacing Dr. George Suckow, so this is not an addition to access
- ❖ New Perspectives is hesitant to bring new prescribers on board due to fear of demand lessening, and not being able to provide enough work for additional prescribers. At this time they have limited openings.
- ❖ Valley Mental Health is losing two additional prescribers, one of them Dr. Tackett-Nelson, leaving 30-35 people needing covered. The other prescriber will be going on maternity leave, but will return back to work.
- ❖ It is suggested to encourage clients to talk to PCPs for medications, however many PCPs refuse to prescribe mental health meds.
- ❖ Potential to use reinvestment funds to augment prescriber pay is discussed, allowing additional prescribers to be brought on board.
- ❖ A Secret Shopper program is being implemented to perform systems checks on providers and to get a "snapshot" of what Access looks like in the Marion County system. Shopping will be done in a manner so as to have multiple experiences with a given provider. CAPS will begin working on a script and format for the Secret Shopper. It suggested the Secret Shoppers will notify providers at end of contact to keep any available appointments open for future calls they will receive.

V. Reports - Erin

- ❖ Erin explains handouts, states top four pages are reports for this service year, remaining pages are historical data.
- ❖ Specific attention requested of Zero Cost To Date Report.

VI. Emergency Preparedness – Cary & Dick

- ❖ Thanks to Northwest Human Services for allowing the observation of their tabletop exercise.
- ❖ Lola gives background on exercise, states was a mock recovery from aftershock, with a focus on recovery and restoring communication.
- ❖ All members of IDS encouraged to observe future drills if possible.
- ❖ Dick distributes examples of County MOUs and discusses.
- ❖ Important factors to have mentioned in MOUs are; costs, designees to request help, descriptions of emergencies, what resources are to be shared, sharing contact info, payment for services, record keeping, indemnification, and workers comp.
- ❖ Dick distributes handout for Special Needs Populations, explains considerations.
- ❖ Swine Flu emergency response discussed, including difficulties regarding distribution of anti-viral meds via doctors versus pharmacies.
- ❖ Health Department will be having a Flu Debrief on Wednesday, 5/13.
- ❖ Possibility of hosting a tabletop exercise at future IDS meeting discussed. Cary, Dick and NWHS staff will schedule a planning meeting regarding organizing the IDS exercise.

VII. PEO Invoicing – Cary

- ❖ CAPS will monitor data submitted.
- ❖ Committee is asked if PEO data should be included in monthly reports, consensus is no.

Adjourned at 1:00pm

Minutes by: Eric Lloyd