Systems Management Group Meeting Minutes July 9, 2007

Present:	Bonnie Malek – CAPS	Gary Heard – MC Drug Tx
	Trish Davis – Bridgeway	Linda Matthais - RAP
	Ron Lagergren – CAPS	Debby Davis-CCS
	Jim Russell – MVBCN	Dean Andretta–MVIP
	Geoff Heatherington–Polk Co.	Doris Reyes - CAPS
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Absent/Excused: Guest: Janet Dutke- CAPS Christie Edwards – Bridgeway Kris Cooley - Bridgeway

I. Announcements:

- Geoff- Ray has resigned; this will be his last week.
- Linda-The CAC picnic is at the end of the month
- ✤ Gary-methadone is moving this week to 2035 Davcor, which is where Friendship House was located.

II. Minutes Review – Ron

✤ Minutes were approved.

III. Monthly Report for July - Dean

See handout

- ✤ Membership 33,559
- ✤ PM/PM \$3.68
- ✤ Amount Due \$123,632
- ✤ Cases Paid –
- ✤ Methadone \$33,559
- ✤ OOP/FFS \$4,050
- ✤ MOMS \$5,887
- ✤ Balance due \$36,487
- The number of members are starting to go up, otherwise there are not a lot of changes
- The monthly average of patients served is 240
- The denial rate has improved; it looks like agencies have fixed most of the problems with authorizations.

- Dean will track number 15's to see if these go up or down.
- Ron-Are there issues with claims coming in?
- Dean-June is a little behind, May is good and Marion County has had a lot of utilization in May.

IV. Extended authorization and review process (see handout)

- Revisiting the dollar threshold
- Supporting specific evidence-based practices- setting limits
- Consumer with exceptional needs
- From June 6th to July 6th, there have been 31 extended authorization requests, 30 for adult women, 1 adult male and 1 adolescent male.
- Most of the requests are for women in their mid to late 20s or early 30s. 10 have DHS involvement, 10 have a methamphetamine dependence diagnosis, and there are four that are either pregnant or have recently delivered. The vast majority of cases are people with co-occurring disorders, interpersonal and/or systems trauma and/or a combination of these factors.
- Clinicians are generally doing well with the requests and the engagement/alliance scales. One problem area is the number of additional sessions requested. It is often blank.
- Dean will send Bonnie a list on who is getting close to the \$1450.00 cap
- ✤ To date, \$1450.00 seems to be adequate in covering a general course of treatment.

V. Self-help projects

- CAC picnic
- Linda gave an overview of last years event and the purpose of the picnic.
- Everyone approved the money for the picnic.
- The picnic will be on July 28^{th} at Bush Park and will start at noon.

VI. QI Initiatives:

• Attaching a mentor to detox and to high-risk consumers identified by MVIPA as frequent users of crisis and hospital services – Bonnie

See handout – AOD – Alcohol and other Drug Salem Hospital

- Bonnie gave an overview of the Salem Hospital/MVBCN group focused on outreach for high-utilizers of emergency room and detox services.
- Currently, people are slipping through the cracks between PCC, Detox and the ER. Typically they come to the ER requesting opiates and/or benzodiazepines and then

don't engage in outpatient services or with primary care physicians. Essentially a small group of patients are putting a strain on crisis/hospital/detox resources and the majority appear to be very appropriate for treatment.

- The group is asking SMG to consider adding a mentor to work with people in this group in getting them connected to community-based services and the recovering community.
- Currently, Bridgeway is the only program with a mentor component and has had exceptional success with high-risk corrections involved folks and the MOMS program. This would be an expansion of the program.
- After discussion, it was agreed that, if possible in the future, mentors should be spread throughout more than one agency.
- Everyone agreed to go forward with the mentor program/process.

-August meeting canceled-Next meeting is September 10, 2007 Minutes by: Doris Reyes Adjourned at 3:04pm