

Systems Management Group
Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2008

Present: Bonnie Malek – CAPS
Gary Heard – MC Drug Tx
Don Theobald – CCS
James (Doc) Campbell – Bridgeway
Jim Russell – MVBCN
Dean Andretta–MVIP
Cary Moller - CAPS
Geoff Heatherington–Polk Co

Absent/Excused: Linda Matthais, and Doris Reyes - CAPS

Guest: Tammy Glascock - DD for Doris Reyes

I. Announcements:

- ❖ Don – Maria Couch will be the new, New Step Director and is starting today
- ❖ Dean – MPCHP- is expanding to Yamhill County as of September 1, 2008, and will cover all of the towns except for Newberg. There are 6600 people there.

II. Minutes Review - Bonnie

- ❖ The minutes were approved with no corrections
- ❖ DMAP rate increases were added to the agenda for today (see monthly report)

III. Monthly Report for July - Dean

See handout

- ❖ Membership – 35,840
- ❖ PM/PM - \$3.21
- ❖ Amount Due - \$115,112.30
- ❖ Methadone – \$
- ❖ OOP/FFS – \$0
- ❖ MOMS – \$1900.00

- ❖ Dean – DMAP rates have increased. Marion/Polk County rates will increase accordingly. The current rate is 110% of DMAP rates. Dean will load the new fee schedule into the system, which should be able to be done in the next few weeks. Dean will compute retroactive payments offline and one check will be issued per agency.

IV. Pain Clinic-impact on reserves, progress to date-Dean and Bonnie

- ❖ The pain clinic is open and operational; there are a lot of groups going. Elizabeth Vermilia will at the clinic on September 11th to consult with the group on trauma and chronic pain.
- ❖ According to the data reports, \$103, 500 has been used from reserves for the pain clinic. It will take approximately 8 to 10 months for the clinic to be self-supporting and is projected to be running on its own by July 2009.

V. Service System Developments – Bonnie, Doc, Gary and Jim

Marion County development of Intensive Treatment Recovery Services/adult outpatient treatment-Gary

- ❖ There are 20 to 30 people currently enrolled in ITRS now and the numbers are increasing quickly. There is one mentor on board and another is being recruited.
- ❖ In addition to ITRS for Child Welfare involved families without insurance coverage or other resources for treatment, the county intends to provide other adult outpatient treatment services as well. This has been done to increase the county's capacity to serve as a safety net for critical services.

Current Status with Cascadia/Bridgeway and future planning – Doc

- ❖ Bridgeway is separating from Cascadia and becoming an independent not-for-profit. The proposed name will include Bridgeway and they will inherit a number of the contracts they currently hold through Cascadia. They will be reducing in size, but the county is committed to preserving Bridgeway as a local, community-based provider. They hope to have the transition completed by the end of this year.
- ❖ Doc notes that morale at Bridgeway is better and they are now able to recruit staff and fill critical positions that have been vacant.

Short and long-term system impacts-Jim and Bonnie

- ❖ We do not anticipate significant short-term impacts unless Cascadia's financial situation becomes more serious than it is now. The county is currently working to secure the facilities used for detoxification, residential and outpatient services.
- ❖ The long-term goal is to diversify the system of care and to increase the number of providers on our panel.
- ❖ At some point, we will need to do a formal Request for Proposals for both indigent dollars and MPCHP OHP business. The county and MVCBN will coordinate a parallel process to make it more expedient to respond for the providers.

VI. QI Initiatives:

Responding to prescription drug abuse and dependence – Bonnie

- ❖ Bonnie described some of the prevalence data and clinical research she has been reading on the rise of prescription drug abuse. She notes that it has increased 390% in the last 10 years.
- ❖ Providers confirmed that they are seeing substantial increases in admissions for opiate abuse and dependence. These increases are being seen with adolescents as well as adults. This is consistent with the research, which indicates that prescription drug abuse is becoming more prevalent than marijuana and alcohol abuse with teens.
- ❖ Suboxone is going to become generic in the next 6-9 months and the group expressed interest in exploring this and other treatment alternatives that have the potential to divert younger people from long-term maintenance.
- ❖ We will continue to explore treatment options and potential quality improvement pilots.

VII. Agenda items for next month

Prescription Drug Abuse

Increasing penetration rates within Spanish speaking communities

Adjourned at 2:53 pm

Next meeting is September 8, 2008

Minutes by: Doris Reyes