

New Jersey Behavioral Health Planning Council Meeting Minutes,

May 9, 2018 10:00 A.M.

Attendees:

Phil Lubitz (Chair, Pro-temp)	Darlema Bey	Winifred Chain
Joe Gutstein (P)	Christopher Lucca	Michael Ippolitti (P)
Connie Greene	Ellen Taner	Marie Verna
Damian Petino	Jonathan Sabin	Harry Coe
Robin Weiss (P)	Nick Loizzi (P)	Pam Taylor
Ksenia Lebedeva		

DMHAS, CSOC & DDD Staff:

Mark Kruszczyński	Suzanne Borys	Geri Dietrich	Peter Manusci
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Guests:

Julia Barugel	Rachel Morgan	Alex Smuklavsky	Peter Manusci
Lauren Olsen	Rachel Manza	Valerie Padgett	Michael Litterer
Eric McIntire	Angela Cicchino	Jennifer Luyster	Luanne Lukens
Erica Westman			

(P) Indicates participation via conference call.

- I. Welcome / Administrative Issues / Correspondence / Announcements**
 - A. Quorum reached (15 out of 45 members participated, 33% attendance, $\leq 33\%$ needed for quorum)
 - B. The June 13th meeting of the Planning Council will meet at DMHAS Office, 5 Commerce Way, Hamilton NJ 08611, Suite 100, at 10:00 am. Going forward, all subsequent meetings will be held at this location unless otherwise indicated.
 - C. Minutes from May 9th meeting approved, with minor edits

- II. Healthy People 2020 Plan** (Yannai Kranzler, DoH) [See the Summary document sent to Council on 6/1/18]
 - A. Goals of the Healthy NJ's State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP): the SHIP combines data, professional expertise and community feedback to identify health objectives, solutions and key partnerships.
 - B. Importance of Focus Groups
 - C. Comments from members of Planning Council
 1. Telemedicine
 2. How many objectives per MH priority?
 3. Q: When will interim report be released? A: Target is for discussion to end in 2018.
 4. Pediatricians not being more aware of the Children's System of Care
 5. Lack of trauma informed approach.
 6. Concern that Medicaid might not be able to cover additional interventions that don't involve medications.
 7. Concerns about measuring outcomes.

III. Children's Interagency Coordinating Council (CIACC) (Peter Manusci, DCF, CSOC)

- A. See PowerPoint Presentation distributed to Planning Council on 5/7/18].
- B. Need for more public participation in the CIACCs.
 - 1. Request for more participation from Mental Health providers, education system, local schools, Juvenile Justice Commission
 - 2. 25% of CIACC membership should represent youth and families.
 - 3. Comment: Challenge of engaging youth and families in CIACC proceedings.
 - 4. Substance Abuse Navigation Program (SAN): function is to make SUD treatment as user friendly as accessing the primary health system.
 - a. Challenge of getting work out on SAN beyond social workers.
 - 5. Comment: Youth should be represented at CIACC proceedings.
- C. Purpose of CIACC is to let families and the community know how to access services.
- D. Challenge of getting youth engaged with SUD treatment.
- E. Prior authorizations and PerformCare www.performcarenj.org
- F. CSOC is working on producing a video to better provide information to families. Note: The Burlington County CMO produced a similar video in around 2005.
- G. Comment: lack of providers for consumers with Development Disabilities.
- H. CIACC Navigator Coordinator is Kelly Pfeiffer; navigators help with system barriers
- I. Comment: Challenge of working in silos, lack of coordination of MH and SUD services.

IV. Opioid Overdose Recovery Program (OORP) (Connie Greene and Staff from RWJ/Barnabas Health) [See PowerPoint of Presentation emailed to Planning Council on 5/7/18]

- A. Goal of Presentation
 - 1. History of OORP
 - 2. Expansion of OORP
 - 3. 2014: Two Counties (Monmouth and Ocean) gave Narcan overdose recovery kits to police/first responders
 - a. RWJ/Barnabas began looking at Narcan reversals
 - b. Hospitals didn't treat Narcan reversal patients in a sensitive manner.
 - 4. RFP in 2014 for Narcan Reversals.
 - 5. Four years of recovery intensive training
 - 6. Expansion of utilization of program: Since 2016 over 2000 consumers; most recently over 300+ reversals in two weeks.
- B. Recent name change: Peer Recovery Program, serves not just Narcan-reversed consumers, and not just opioids.
- C. Engaging with SUD Consumers: Discussion by Eric McIntire
 - 1. Job of Recovery Specialists is to engage consumers
 - 2. Recovery Specialists are located in each community and live within one hour of all participating hospitals.
- D. Coaching the Individual: Discussion by Angela Cicchino: The objective of the coaching is for the individual to receive long-term support.
- E. Navigators: Discussion by Jennifer Luyster: Navigators procure resources from Recovery Specialists.
 - 1. Navigators do assessments to view the larger picture.
 - 2. Navigators start the aftercare planning.
 - 3. Navigators work closely with Interim Management Entity for SUD services.
- F. "Treatment is easy, recovery is difficult. Brining in peers to assist in the recovery process is the difference.

G. Question and Answer & Concerns

1. Q: If this is Medicaid eligible, will chapter 51 funding still be available? A: Medicaid will be for peer recovery.
2. Q: Is OORP expansion in every county? A: Yes OORP is in all 21 counties, in 51 emergency rooms across the state.
3. Q: How many consumers of OORP have Medicaid and/or no insurance: A: 85% +/-
4. Q: Role of IME? A: The IME provides authorization for treatment.

5. Q: Fentanyl use? A: Increasing because it is cheap and widely available.
6. Lack of health insurance literacy.
7. Lack of empathy for people whose conditions make them appear “disruptive and manipulative”.
8. Concern of possible lack of continuity /linkage to other behavioral health and primary health services.
9. Concern of possibility that providers cannot bill for the same consumer treated by a different entity unless they change medications.

V. Subcommittee Reports

A. Advocacy / Data / Housing

1. Next meeting 6/13/18, 12:00

VI. Meeting Adjourned & Announcements

- A. Next Meeting of the Planning Council: Wednesday, June 13, 10:00 am, DMHAS Office, 5 Commerce Way, Hamilton NJ 08611, Suite 100
- B. Planned Subcommittee Meetings (6/13/18):
9:00: TBA
12:00: Advocacy / Data / Housing
- C. 5/16/18, 7:00 pm, Radio “Town Hall” event on 101.5 FM,
- D. Members of the Planning Council reported their discussion with NJ Legislators about the state budget.
- E. Happy Mother’s Day