

Consolidation: Rules and Policy Meeting May 14, 2013 from 1-3 pm.

In Attendance: Barb Dietz, Berna Bell, Brad DeCamp, Denise Cole, Lori Criss, Doug Day, Ester Pla, Jim Lapczynski, Janel Pequignot, Jerry Jones, Teresa Lampl, Missy Craddock, Michaela Peterson, Mark Mecum, Nicole Marx, Terry Jones, Carol Carstens, Pam McClain, Tracy Plouck, Hugh Wirtz, Martina Moore, Teri Hill, Fonda Dawkins, Dan Arnold, Kelly Vyzral, Joyce Starr, Tom Stuber, Judy Jackson Winston,
Facilitator: Anita Lieser

I. Review of Meeting Process-Discussion

- Discussed the purpose of the meeting and communication strategy.
- Clarification requested of the purpose of the group. Team is goal oriented and time frame limited. Draft documents are sent ahead of meeting to provide time for review and comments. Standing meeting time to increase efficiency and maintain communication. (NOTE: Next proposed meeting date is **May 30 from 1-3 in Rhodes Tower**. It was suggested that we meet on the last Thursday of the month in the afternoon—Meeting notice will be sent via Outlook mail)
- Role of group members consists of ‘vetting’ final draft Rules; clearing house concept, recommending future work and changes and updates that are relevant or necessary as consolidation of State Departments and the development of health integration proceed.
- Ongoing structure: Approach Rule consolidation in 3 distinct ‘buckets’: Treatment and service rules, Prevention and Wellness, Addictions. Discussed need to develop a formal strategy and approach. Starting point is consolidation of ODADAS and ODMH ‘operational rules, i.e how do providers apply for certification and/or licensure and what is the deeming process and requirements? Suggestion that we better define and maintain consistency in Rule language.

II. Current Draft Rule Updates

- Review of draft ACT rule (Feedback provided to Doug Day and Janel)
- Clarification on adjustment of funding of service if enrolled in a health home.
- Concern expressed that there was no time limit on ACT service.
- Discussion related to removal of substance abuse team member.

III. Consolidation Updates

- Jim L. provided update on consolidation, updates and office moves. All current contact phone numbers remain the same. Effective July 1, and moving forward, we will maintain ‘business as usual’ until Rule consolidation work is phased in and/or completed. ODMH and ODADAS Licensure and Certification office is consolidated on the 7th Floor, Rhodes Tower.
- Prevention Rule will be taken out of the Treatment context and a plan to develop a new Rule based on current Prevention Concepts is underway.
- Janel Pequignot is transitioning to Chief, Office of Licensure and Certification. The Department will be hiring a new Rules Administrator in the near term.

IV. National Accreditation Mandate Discussion

- The Mandate for national accreditation (currently required for ODMH certified providers that bill Medicaid) is eliminated in Rules package currently posted for public comment.
- Discussion occurred related to maintaining the mandate for all providers in the consolidated agency and allowing a period of time (3 years) to phase in the requirement. Proponent's rationale for national accreditation included maintaining quality, current and future direction of businesses, consistent playing field for all providers and any new providers anticipated to enter the system if Medicaid expands.
- Locally, some larger providers of MH services are assisting smaller providers with attaining national accreditation via a collaborative effort that includes training and support. Local funding is utilized for initial accreditation, and networks are solidified. (Ester Pla, Connections)
- Martina Moore, Moore Counseling in Euclid, is a current non-deemed provider expressed concerns related to mandating national accreditation for smaller providers. Barriers include cost and no 'guarantee' of higher quality. She did express being open to further discussions related to smaller agencies obtaining accreditation, however, feels strongly that the lack of accreditation has not impacted quality care. Plans to meet locally with larger provider to explore options and engage in more conversation.
- Discussion on impact on community based corrections services, often provided by smaller agencies.

NEXT STEPS:

Next meeting invitation will be sent.

Complete review of deemed and non deemed application Rules. Re-review the drafts to ensure consistency with current budget language. **(Completed 5/21 and attached to this mailing) Please send comments or additional suggested changes to the draft rules to me no later than May 28, 2013 by CoB.**

Develop a framework for future work of this committee (pending)

Ongoing discussion of developing a regulatory model based on SAMHSA good and modern continuum

Thank you for your feedback and participation!

Please send any edits/changes to these minutes to:

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