



**Passaic County Mental Health Board
June 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Members present:

1. Nanette A. Armenta
2. Jessica Jordan

Members absent:

1. Robert Nolan
2. Ramon Pagan
3. Anell Perez
4. Jeannette Pimentel
5. Dalton Price
6. Julie Rikon
7. Paula Tedesco

Quorum was not established and not disputed however, this meeting was thus for informational purposes. Session began at 6:15pm.

Also present was Brenda Browne, Director of the Passaic County Mental Health and Addiction Services, Cynthia Gatica, Hudson and Passaic County Program Analyst for the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (NJDMHAS).

Ms. Browne made the announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Members of the public were present and introduced themselves. These public members came to discuss their agencies and services they will be providing under the NJ DMHAS fiscal year contracted grant. Those agencies were: Volunteers of America, Mental Health Association in Passaic County, New Jersey Community Development Corporation, SERV Behavioral Health Services, Wellness Respite Services, Community Health Law Project and St. Joseph's Hospital MC Screening Center (who left prior to presentation).

Approval of the minutes for May 2019 will be tabled until the next scheduled meeting.

Reports

County Division of Mental Health & Addiction Staff Report (See Attachment 1)

Ms. Browne informed that the appointment of additional Professional Advisory Committee members as well as the Children's InterAgency Coordinating Council (CIACC) committee members will need to be tabled until there is quorum.

New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Program Analyst Report (See Attachment 2)

Professional Advisory Committee Report tabled (See Attachment 3).

There was no Old Business.

There was no New Business.

No correspondence was received.

Informational session ended at 7:30 PM.

Attest:

Brenda Browne
Secretary

County Division of Mental Health & Addiction Staff Report

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Mental Health & Addictions Updates

- North Haledon has been designated a Stigma-Free zone by resolution as of 4/17/19.
- St. Joseph's Hospital & MC has been designated Stigma-Free and held a Behavioral Health Symposium on May 21st.
- DMHAS staff to meet with the Opioid Overdose Response Program (OORP) providers in mid-May 2019. OORP will be a Bundled service. Rate not yet approved yet. Peers will have the same rate as with CSS. Agencies have to be a licensed Medicaid provider to provide OORP.
- Recovery centers cannot bill Medicaid because it is not treatment. Peer services are not a separate level of care. Off-site peer services have to be worked out with Molina.
- Addiction case mgmt. services must also be connected to a licensed treatment provider. Services must be tied to the treatment plan. WRAP would have to be included in the treatment plan to be Medicaid reimbursable.
- Intoxicated Drivers Program (IDP)--Every county must designate a 24 and 48 hour Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center (IDRC) program. If 50% of counties showing a deficit, IDP can ask the state for a rate increase.
Counties can affiliate with any licensed residential facility in the county for IDRC.
There are 77 trained facilitators in the state on the new IDRC curriculum. Spanish curriculum and workbook will be available next month and the PowerPoint will be also be available. Agencies may be able to contract with IDP in the future for language translation for the curriculum and material.
If the IDRC affiliate agencies have any logistical issues, reach out to IDP for help with a resolution. The agency may not have to expend the cost of the logistical issue but may get assistance from IDP.
- Deaf and hard of hearing posters or flyers must be hung on the wall of the programs. Language lines may be able to offer deaf language interpretation via Skype.
- Ariel Hurley of Opioid Response Network (STR-TA)--They help agencies with evidence based and waiver training. They provide a free two-day trainings on opioid response.
- Suzanne Boyrs--Provided annual OORP report/data verbally. Physical reports will be shared once the info is vetted by Suzanne. Some tentative preliminary NJ statewide OORP data: 61% of overdoses happen in the person's home or someone else's home, 67% of overdoses coming in from noon to midnight. 31% of the individuals have their own apt. or house, 38% are co-occurring, 21% uninsured.
- They are developing a performance report for individual counties. Looking at the nalaxone transports to the hospital and other data.
- Part of the additional \$11 million is going toward two STAR programs, two older adult programs.
- OORP-- for those who refuse transport to the hospital--Once the person signs the form, an additional line to ask if it's ok for someone to contact them for more resources.
- Walgreens rolling out mental health first aid across the company.
- Harry Reyes—CSS—had responses to 2 rfps. DD/MI and Forensic. Will be reviewing and issuing awards.
- County Substance Use Navigators' grant ending December 31, 2019.
- County Recovery Walk scheduled for September 7, 2019.
- Stigma-Free Mental Health Car Show will be held in the Court Plaza in Paterson June 2019.

Program Analyst Notes
June 2019 Program Analyst Report

Pending Request for Proposals

	Due Date	Notify Date
<u>Opioid Reduction Options (ORO) in the Emergency Department</u>	June 4, 2019	July 3, 2019
<u>Medically Enhanced Supportive Housing and Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals</u>	May 28, 2019	June 27, 2019
<u>Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Dually Diagnosed (DD-MI)</u>	May 20, 2019	June 20, 2019
<u>Evidence-Based Practice Initiative Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders</u>	May 14, 2019	June 14, 2019
<u>Independent Peer Review of Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities</u>	May 14, 2019	June 14, 2019
<u>Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Forensically Involved</u>	May 13, 2019	June 13, 2019

RFP Final Award

Recovery Housing Services to Adult Consumers with Opioid Use Disorders who are Homeless or at Risk of Homelessness

- Freedom House
- John Brooks
- Integrity House

2019 DMHAS Rental Subsidy Agreement

Please note the following changes:

- Page 9 of the 2019 Rental Subsidy Policy, the Termination of Rental Subsidy has added “**Suspension of DMHAS Rental Subsidy**”, for those who fail to correct or cure the violation (s) in the Warning Letter. The notice of Suspension of DMHAS Rental Subsidy shall inform the consumer that if the violation(s) are not cured within fourteen (14) days of the date of the Suspension notice, then the DMHAS subsidy will be suspended.

- Page 10 of the 2019 Rental Subsidy Policy, “**Furnishings and Limited Ancillary Expenses**”.
 - Consumers may qualify for limited one-time funds...
 - To qualify, **the consumer cannot have Net Family Assets in excess of \$2000**

Correspondence

ICMS Revised Form dated 5-23-19

For ICMS providers who anticipate a specific consumer will require service delivery in excess of the monthly limit of 50 units per consumer as established in the New Jersey Application for Payment Processing (NJMHAPP), this form must be completed and submitted by ticket to the DMHAS – Mental Health FFS Unit for review by the 15th day of the month after the services were delivered. The MH-FFS Unit will then forward the completed document to the appropriate DMHAS Program Analyst and DMHAS Statewide ICMS Coordinator for review.

In-Reach and Pre-admission services billing, effective 4/1/19

- In-Reach services identified in Section IV(E) of ICMS Annex A shall include: face-to-face community contact with family, significant others, and/or essential community support systems (e.g. landlord) specifically for purposes of transitioning an existing consumer from the inpatient or jail setting can be billed as In-Reach units according to established parameters (up to 32 units per hospitalization/incarceration episode), as detailed in Appendix A of the Provider Program Manual.
- Pre-admission services identified in Section IV(F) of ICMS Annex A shall include: face-to-face community contact with family, significant others, and/or essential community support systems (e.g. landlord) specifically for purposes of preparing a new consumer for transition from the hospital setting can be billed as Pre-admission units according to established parameters (new referrals from State, County and Diversion beds; up to 32 units), as detailed in Appendix G of the Provider Program Manual.

Training and Announcements

- **Quarterly Provider Meeting**-10a-1p, Thursday, June 6th. 1200 Negron Drive
- **NJPAD Registry**-The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) contracted with US Living Will Registry (USLWR) to maintain a secure, voluntary internet registry of Psychiatric Advance Directives (PADs). PADs uploaded to this website are maintained in a confidential and secure site, protected by the most up-to-date web and data security standards. All information submitted/transmitted is used by authorized individuals who have received login authentications from US Advance Care Plan Registry powered by USLWR.

DMHAS will launch NJPAD, the New Jersey Psychiatric Advance Directive Registry, on June 27, 2019 at the New Jersey Forensic Science Technology Center, 1200 Negron Drive, Hamilton, NJ, 08691, from 10am-12pm. Registration is from 9:30-10am. Each agency is limited to registering two participants.

Register here: <https://njsams.rutgers.edu/training/njpad/register.aspx>

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(PAC/PACADA)
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