

## CONSUMER ADVISORY PANEL MEETING SUMMARY

Thursday, February 13, 2019 – 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM 5000 Hakes Drive, Norton Shores, 49441, Lobby Conference Room

Present: Sharon H., Lynette B. (phone), Lucinda S. (phone), Lisa T. (phone), Shawnee T., SaRah, Robert H., Cathy Haas (Allegan CMH) Guest: Eric Miller (LRE Veteran Navigator)

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Review of the February 13, 2019 Agenda
  - b. Review of the December 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2020 agenda accepted with the addition of Eric Miller under Regional Updates. December 12,2019 minutes accepted as presented.

- 2. Member Stories
  - a. Personal Journey Sharon discusses her poor experience while she was in rehabilitation from her surgery.
- 3. Advocacy-

Behavioral Health System Redesign

a. MDHHS is committed to hearing from stakeholders regarding the BH system redesign and held public forums. There may be an impact on how services are delivered, but that is still unclear and will be dependent on the plan for the system redesign. This could be an area for advocacy.

4. Regional Updates -

- a. Veteran Navigator Eric Miller
  - The Veteran Navigator program has reached out to over 3000 veterans within the last two years to help veterans make use of resources that are offered to them. We will continue to reach out to veterans in the more rural areas.
  - The VN that works out of WM CMH and within Lake, Mason and Oceana Counties is working with Habitat for Humanity to build a house for a veteran.
  - There has been a growth of women veterans that are starting support groups.
  - Mr. Miller will be teaching a Military Competency course to organizations such as SUD providers and CMHs. The course will assist staff in learning to effectively communicate with veterans that come in for services.

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- Mr. Miller comments that the advocacy efforts in Allegan and Ottawa has been very successful.
- b. LRE Contract Negotiations Update

The LRE continues to sign month to month contracts with MDHHS while negotiating a permanent yearly contract that will address concerns of both.

This region has been underfunded for the previous 4 years which we have tried to address by keeping administrative costs down. The LRE and CMHs continue to work on areas to stay within our budget but service costs continue to rise and without actuarially sound rates that address the funding shortage, we will continue to run at a deficit. If there cannot be an agreement made that will address prior deficit, legal action will move forward.

Although we are supposed to be receiving higher rates for this FY, the funding has not come in as projected and the region continues to run at a deficit.

c. LRE Newsletter Feedback

The LRE has started posting a newsletter for updates. There is a link on the homepage of <u>www.lsre.org</u> or you can click on the link below.

http://www.lsre.org/Websites/Irptest/images/Newletter/December/LRE%20NEW SLETTER%20(10).pdf

- 5. Statewide Initiatives
  - a. Michigan's Behavioral Health System Attachment

Mr. Hofman comments that leadership at MDHHS would like individuals to be able to coordinate behavioral health and physical health through one organization or SIP (Specialty Integrated Plan) and have more consistency throughout the state. Medicaid consumers would go to the SIP and have one coordinator for BH and physical health. Also, the SIP would be a full risk bearing entity. The State would not have to carry any risk if there is an overspend for services, which is how the funding system works now.

Leadership from MDHHS coordinated forums in different parts of the state to answer questions and receive feedback. They have been well attended. If the state moves this plan forward, the PIHP system will be replaced by the SIP model. There still has not been any detail or guidelines given for the redesign. The link below will bring you to the MDHHS page for updates.

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550\_2941\_96949---,00.html

- b. PAS Teams (Partners Advancing Self-Determination) Attachment For information.
- c. Independent Facilitation Attachment Mr. Hofman asks the CAP about independent facilitators (IF). The consensus is

that they have received very little, if any information regarding what IF is or its availability.

- 6. SUD/Mental Health Legislation
  - a. TalkSooner Update
    - Attached is the plan for FY20.
  - b. MDOC Update Department of Corrections
    - We will not receive the level of funding needed to cover the level of need.
    - There is a different philosophy between these 2 systems, but we will continue to work through it.
  - c. Legislation
    - Federal law states that 21 years old is the legal age for tobacco use but the state law is still 18 years old.
- 7. Other Items of Interest or Announcements of Upcoming Events
  - March 3<sup>rd</sup>, DD council is having a legislative day. To register please click the link below. Registration ends February 24. <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Self-Advocacy-Day</u>
  - b. Mel Trotter film in production addressing homelessness. For continued updates click the link below https://www.facebook.com/JCFilmsPresents/
- 8. Messages/Reporter to LRE Board of Directors
- LRE Board Meeting February 20, 2020 – 1:00pm Fillmore Complex, 12220 Fillmore, West Olive 49460
- 10. Upcoming CAP Meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays of alternate months 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm) April 9, June 11, August 13, October 8, December 10
- 11. Other:

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS