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**Substance Use Disorder Director's Report February 2020**

1. **Oversight Policy Board (OPB):** the OPB will be meeting next March 4, 2020 at 4pm at Ottawa County Community Mental Health in the board room.
2. **TalkSooner Marketing Campaign:** Attached please find this year's marketing plan which will begin in March and end in September.
3. **Gambling Disorder:** The LRE released a scholarship opportunity for treatment staff to attend the Gambling Disorder Symposium in March. In conjunction with this, an incentive is being offered to increase clinicians on the state's panel where they will receive referrals from the Michigan Gambling Hotline. Currently, we have five individuals that will receive the scholarship.
4. **Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC):** The LRE's contract was recently amended to include the MDOC language and priority population details. Regionally, an implementation plan is being developed at the SUD ROAT. Additionally, local meetings with MDOC staff, LRE, providers, and CMHSP staff have occurred and will continue to ensure a smooth transition. At this time, the state has not released an implementation plan. Note the start date is April 1, 2020.
5. **Tobacco 21:** The LRE is working closely with local tobacco prevention specialists and state officials to determine how the new federal law (passed in late December of 2019) requiring all tobacco products to be sold to those now 21 and up will impact our prevention work. Currently, only the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) can enforce this law as Michigan state law hasn't changed from 18 to 21 yet. Therefore, local and state law enforcement cannot enforce this law, it is up to the tobacco retailer to ensure they comply. Clear information on this law is lacking, which is causing significant confusion among preventionist, law enforcement and tobacco retailers. This federal law change will impact our Synar checks and vendor education programs. Consequently, the LRE will need to revamp its entire vendor education and tobacco checks protocol (No Cigs for Our Kids) this spring in order to ensure we meet the state and federal requirements for tobacco sales to minors. Further information on this topic will be presented to the board at a future meeting.
6. **Dr. Waller Training:** The LRE thru SOR funding has retained Dr. Corey Waller of HMA to provide trainings on MAT and stimulants to the region. In October, he presented to over 250 behavioral health and health care professionals in Muskegon County and to over 300 in Kent county in November. His last training is going to be held in Ludington April 22. A flyer with all details will be released very soon.
7. **GAIN Update:** No formal update/contract adjustment from the department on the direction of this screening tool has been released.
8. **SUD Legislation:** Attached please find the updated grid of SUD legislation for your reference.
9. **LRE SUD Treatment Data:** Attached please find the monthly Treatment data pulled from BHTeds.