

Waiver Coordinator's Report June 2020

- 1. Autism/Behavioral Health: 1300 individuals are currently enrolled in the Applied Behavioral Health Autism Benefit. Providers that are willing and able to utilize telehealth have done so successfully and some providers are beginning to provide face-to-face services. The current Autism diagnostic assessment that MDHHS requires to be completed prior to enrollment cannot be completed while using PPE or from a social distance which is negatively impacting enrollment. They are working with experts in the field to adapt assessments that can be completed remotely or while using PPE to meet the program requirements. The LRE, Beacon, CMHSP's and contracted ABA providers are meeting regularly to provide services in compliance with MDHHS' recommendations.
- 2. Child's Waiver Program (CWP): The LRE began oversight of this program in October 2019. The LRE has since begun CWP workgroups with the CMHSP's in the region to ensure consistent quality and messaging throughout the region. There are currently 88 individuals enrolled in this waiver. The LRE is forming a clinical review team to review Prior Review Authorization Requests (PRAR's). This team will be responsible for the review and recommendation for approval of requests for Environmental Accessibility Adaptations, Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies, and Fencing for Children enrolled in the Children's Waiver Program. Individuals typically remain in this program until they age off at 18 years old and then enroll into the Habilitation Supports Waiver.
- **3. Habilitation Supports Waiver:** The LRE has 629 HSW waiver slots that remain full. The LRE and CMHSP HSW Leads meet regularly to maintain these slots and identify appropriate individuals.
- **4. Home and Community-Based Services:** The LRE and MSU HCBS site review process is starting back up in a virtual format. The next round of surveys will be released by MI-DDI on July 1st and are due on August 14th. The identified providers and consumers to be surveyed were provided to the CMHSP's.
- **5. Serious Emotional Disturbance:** The LRE began oversight of this program in October 2019. The LRE has since begun SED workgroups with the CMHSP's to ensure consistent quality and messaging throughout the region. There are 75 individuals enrolled in this waiver. Individuals continue to be enrolled and dis-enrolled as appropriate.