

COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE
Lehigh Valley ACT
601 E. Broad Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

January 24, 2018 @ 2:00 PM

Matt Bauder, Kim Benner, Paul Berlet, Yvonne Boyer, Wesley Bush, Ronnie Colbert, Laura Cunningham, Mike Ditty, Almut Dubischar, Lizbeth Fox, Henry Hor, Carl Kist, Corinna Labish, Patty Marth, Jodi Matthews, Pat McGarry, Tiffany Mohn, Deb Nunes, Ilisa Sacknoff, Shannon Saddington, Kelley Schlie, Jackie Vasko, Kristina Ward,

I. Review of November 15, 2017 meeting minutes. Meeting Minutes were approved.

II. Provider Forum

• **Valley Youth House- Pat McGarry**

- handouts given with preliminary info on Camp Fowler with Dates of camp and contacts for information

• **New Vitae Wellness- Laura Cunningham**

- Expanding Brain injury program at Mt. Trexler with another 8 beds
- Training on brain injury to take place on March 22, 2018 at LVHN Cedar Crest
- Briana Scurry Olympic soccer player gold medalist will attend and speak
- She sustained a brain injury in tournament play and will speak to that
- A representative from Good Shepard Rehabilitation will also be speaking
- Registration at 8a.m with a continental breakfast
- Training will be held from 9a.m-11a.m

• **Member / Family Forum – Ronnie Colbert**

- Members that Ronnie is working with are doing well and Doctors are treating them well
- Working with some members who need their meds adjusted/changed
- New therapists are working out well for the members
- Working with Homeless individuals on getting them into shelters and or emergency housing
- Members are being referred to ICM and Case Managers for resources and help so that Ronnie can step back and take a break for personal reasons

V. Advisory Committee Reports

• **Member/Family Advisory Committee**

- No updates

• **Provider Advisory Committee – Kim Benner**

- RCPA- recently decided to add Mental Health as a steering committee
- Kim Benner and Janet Romero will be the local representative of this committee
- The Committee will be identifying goals of which are, increased access to psychiatry and licensed professionals, value based reimbursement and contracting, practices and improving outcomes, and regulatory changes and outpatient redesign
- If anyone would like to add any other topics of importance to be taken to OHMSAS you can reach out to Kim Benner or Janet Romero
- Next meeting will be held in two weeks
- Meetings will be held every two months going forward

- **Children’s Advisory Committee – Pat McGarry**
 - There will be a recovery school opening in Bethlehem for the Lehigh County
 - Diocese of Allentown will be supporting this
 - Location may possibly be St. Simon’s and Jude
 - There will be more to come on this

VI. Magellan Behavioral Health

- **Patty Marth on behalf of Tom Walker- Senior Account Executive**
 - Would like providers to post the “How to file a complaint or grievance” in their offices where it is visible to members so they know how to follow through with the process
- **Patty Marth- Compliance**
 - Notification from Department of Human Services: No Updates

Email blasts: <http://magellanofpa.com/for-providers/communications/provider-announcements/compliance-alerts/>

- **Mike Ditty- Network**
 - Having available Psychiatric time has been challenging
 - Magellan is taking a look at what out-patient providers are willing to and already doing in medication management only
 - Working with county partners to develop something to gage what our network looks like in those areas
 - Magellan of PA Website has been refurbished with a different look and functionalities
 - One of the specific functionalities that was looked at and updated was Specialties
 - The updated website allows members and providers to be able to search by specialty services and find which providers have them
 - Visitors to the site will now be able to search by specialty within a certain region
 - Will continue to work with the counties to continue to make changes to the website
 - More to come on this
 - Any questions regarding the website contact Mike Ditty
- **Carl Kist – Clinical**
 - Transitioning from PCPC to ASAM criteria for and substance abuse placements
 - Contracts are done and training will be scheduled
 - Materials will be sent out with information on trainings
 - Change will take place July 1, 2018
 - More to come in the next few weeks
- **Patty Marth on behalf of John Lees- Member and Family Advocate**
 - Today – January 24th the next member advisory work group meeting is happening at Change on 3rd street in Easton – we will provide any relevant updates/feedback at the next CHA
 - We are updating my Member & Family Advocate flyer used to promote my role and help members to get in contact with me. We will bring updated flyers to the next CHA

VII. Northampton County: Updates / Issues

- **Deb Nunes**
 - Allison Frantz has been replaced by Susan Wandalowski as the new Director of Human Services
 - Will start February 1, 2018
 - 2:1 Northampton County member has been identified 30 days in
 - Assessments have begun with family
 - Meeting with some agencies and providers to help to bring more services back to Northampton County

VIII. Lehigh County

- **Matt Bauder**

- My Life Holiday Party was held on Friday 12/8/17 at Game Changer World with a great turn out
- In the planning stages of the annual MYFEST event to be held in the Lehigh Valley
- Still trying to decide on a location
- Event will be held in September more to come on an exact location
- Will keep trying to get a representative from Haven House Sacred Heart to discuss co-location program
- Lehigh's first 2:1 member was identified in December 2017
- ABA will begin the assessment process for this member in February 2018
- Working to get staff on board with the required trainings and availability, etc.
- Phillips Armstrong new Executive in Lehigh County
- Kay Auchenbach remains the director of services in Lehigh County
- Lynn Kovich is the new Deputy Secretary for OHMSAS 2018
- Housing and employment have reportedly been her primary focus

- **Liz Fox**

- Lehigh County Supports the posting of the "How File of complaint and grievance" flyer across providers in Magellan network
- This is beneficial for members to know that if they have a problem they know there is somewhere to go with their complaint
- Continue to look at outpatient network in terms of psychiatric access
- Emphasis still to be on follow up after hospitalization how can people coming out of acute in patient how can they get appointments with 30 days, etc.
- Tobacco prevention has been initiated by the state and more to come on this