

ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

PLANNING & OVERSIGHT (P&O) COMMITTEE MINUTES
MAY 14, 2014

Committee Chair, Pythias D. Jones, M.D., called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Elsie Caraballo read aloud the Committee Mission Statement: *"The Planning and Oversight Committee, in cooperation with all partners, advocates for and monitors programs, policies and practices which are continually improved to meet the needs of consumers, their families and the community."*

Committee Members Present: Elsie Caraballo, J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D., Pythias D. Jones, M.D., Katie Kern-Pilch, MA, ATR-BC, LPC-S, Steve Killpack, MS, Mary Step, Ph.D., / **Absent:** Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Richard Folbert, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Mary Warr, M.Ed., Anngela Williams

Board Staff Present: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Carole Ballard, Ada Cancel, Vivian Catchings-El, Danei Chavez, John Garrity, Ph.D., Valeria A. Harper, Myra Henderson, Carol Krajewski, Linda Lamp, Chris Morgan, Michelle Myers, Laura Simmons, Linda Torbert

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Planning and Oversight Committee minutes of April 9, 2014, were approved as submitted.

2. CORRECTIONS PLANNING BOARD – SMART OHIO PROJECT

Marty Murphy, Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board (CCCPB) Administrator, reported that the CCCPB applied for a grant through the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction through the Smart Ohio Plan and was awarded \$75,000 to address opiate addicted defendants appearing before the courts. The CCCPB recommends that the ADAMHS Board become a partner in this project as well as to provide local matching funds; contract service providers will be Stella Maris and Catholic Charities/Matt Talbot.

Mr. Murphy explained that the goal of the grant is to keep people out of the prison system. He noted that there is a monetary incentive of \$5,500 per quarter for each offender maintained in the community. These potential funds will help pay for some of the things needed such as sober living housing, etc. The ADAMHS Board will serve as the fiscal agent. If approved, it was noted that Board members may see a contract amendment next month for Stella Maris and Matt Talbot.

Motion to approve recommendation to partner in the Smart Ohio Project and provide matching funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 to the Finance & Operations Committee.

MOTION: M. Step / SECOND: S. Killpack / AYES: E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, M. Step
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

3. EMERALD DEVELOPMENT & ECONOMIC NETWORK (EDEN) INC.

Ms. Irene Collins, Executive Director of EDEN, explained that EDEN currently owns the property located at 8301 Detroit Avenue consisting of two structures. The proposed arrangement is to separate the property into two parcels.

- a. EDEN will maintain ownership of the property located at 8301 Detroit Ave. The vacant structure will be demolished with a plan to develop new construction as permanent supportive housing units for individuals who are chronically homeless and/or disabled.
- b. The Board will assume title to the new parcel to be identified as 8315 Detroit Ave., the location of the Stricklin Crisis Stabilization Unit staffed by FrontLine Service.

Ms. Collins utilized several drawings/renderings of the parcels to help visualize the property and the decisions made to address access issues for surrounding neighbors. Dave Lambert, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, reported on the agreement, that is almost complete, to share access to the parking lot by both parties.

Mr. Denihan recommended the possibility of interested Board members taking a trip, in the future, to view the property/land and to visit the Crisis Stabilization Unit. Mr. Denihan will work with Ms. Collins and Ms. Harper to select several potential dates to present to Board members.

Dr. Step applauded the organizers of the project for being such a good neighbor and to accommodate the surrounding properties. Mr. Denihan noted that many meetings were held between the ADAMHS Board, EDEN, Inc., the local development company and Matt Zone, Councilperson, to reach this result and the various provisions.

Motion to authorize the Assumption, Waiver, and Release Agreements required by OhioMHAS to transfer Premise MH-601 & MH-219AC/238D from EDEN, Inc. to the ADAMHS Board to the full Board.

MOTION: S. Killpack / SECOND: R. Fowler AYES: E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, M. Step
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

4. SYSTEM OF CARE ENHANCEMENT

Ms. Valeria Harper, Chief Operating Officer, briefed committee members on a task approved during February funding allocation discussions. At that time, approximately \$200,000 was set aside in a line item entitled, Community Care/System Enhancement. Board staff is close to releasing an abridged version of a Request for Information (RFI) that is similar to the new process adopted by the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS).

Based on input from persons receiving mental health services, it seems that mental health services for adults are routinely delivered at agency offices. The reason for using this RFI concept is an opportunity for system participants to creatively propose ways to enhance the system and remove barriers from Community Psychiatric Support Team (CPST) workers visiting adults with mental illness where they reside. The purpose of the dollars will not be used for Medicaid eligible services but for supports to ensure that CPST workers are able to provide services in individual's homes, to assist them in getting to doctor appointments, court hearings, or other places in the community. It was noted that the timeframe for the RFI release is 6/1/14; there will be a rapid turn-around as the funds must be expended by 12/31/14.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN DISCUSSION

Ms. Harper highlighted revisions and additions to two sections of the Strategic Plan under the areas of: Planning & System Development and Consumer Affairs & Clients Rights. Dr. John Garrity, Director of QI/Evaluation and Research, highlighted elements of the section, Quality Improvement. Mr. Denihan noted that this is a living, working document for staff. It was noted that timelines will be added as well as a designation for those items that are ongoing. (Hard copies of the Strategic Plan Updates are attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit.)

6. MEDICAID EXPANSION UPDATE

Mr. Denihan reported that the state legislature and OhioMHAS believe that the funding reallocation being considered should not affect other services because Boards will release savings through Medicaid Expansion. Mr. Denihan stated that early results indicate that funding freed up through Medicaid Expansion is not near the amount that would be lost through the house bills under consideration.

Mr. Denihan recently met with Senator Tom Patton and gave him a letter taking the position that the administration and legislature should not take money out of mental health treatment allocations to pay for heroin related initiatives. On Tuesday, 5/13/14, Board Chair, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., was the first person to testify before the Senate about the importance of ADAMHS Board's maintaining local authority and control of allocating funds. Mr. Denihan noted that the letter referenced would be forwarded to Board members for their information.

7. SHARES UPDATE (*Shared Health & Recovery Enterprise System*)

Dr. John Garrity noted that Board staff has been working on three main areas:

- 1) Benefits Plans – Efforts underway to developing blueprints to determine how an individual will receive services in the new system and how providers will get paid.
- 2) Codes – Claims Departments are now using MACSIS billing codes. Current efforts are to transition to national healthcare codes that are more in line with main-stream healthcare.
- 3) Outcomes for both AOD and MH – Specifications will be shared with InfoMC (the SHARES vendor) and some limited testing is anticipated in the month of June.

The SHARES Core Design Team at the ADAMHS Board is comprised of:

- Planning & System Development - Michael Doud, Linda Torbert
- Finance - Frank Brickner, Cheryl Fratalonie, Ralph Piatak
- Quality Improvement – John Garrity, Tom Williams
- Information Technology – Yancey Quinn, Chris Tomaro

Dr. Garrity reported that Board CEO's (from Franklin, Hamilton and Cuyahoga) are in the process of resolving final details. The desire is to begin system testing in August; the target date for implementation is still January 1, 2015.

8. FUTURE TOPICS FOR PLANNING & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Dr. Fowler read the list of potential future topics for the P&O Committee.

On-Going Updates: SHARES

Dates - To Be Determined:

- Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities
- CMHA Collaboration
- Gambling
- Sober Beds
- Collaboration with the Division of Children & Family Services
- SCALE Quarterly Reports – scheduled for July & October

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: Pythias D. Jones, M.D., Planning & Oversight Committee Chair