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CONFERENCE OF ALLEGHENY PROVIDERS

Behavioral Health Subcommittee Meeting
Friday, May 12, 2023
10:30a-11:30a

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Items for Discussion:
 - a. Networking event for this summer- John Eliyas setting something up
 - b. Licensing trends
 - i. BCM- no themes
 - ii. Peer- no themes
 - c. Problematic Performance Standards update from CCBH check in- no updates
 - d. provider/county workgroup updates
 - i. Workforce
 1. Fellows program
 - a. Family Based- strict interpretation of the regulations although RCPA has been meeting with OMHSAS restricts candidates
 - b. Timeline to apply was very quick turnaround
 - ii. Value Based- Noreen- no updates
 - iii. Regulations- Juliette- no updates
 - e. Top priorities
 - i. Peer services are vital! There is a lack of training options offered within the state due to the small number of training providers. The cost of training and certification is a financial barrier to individuals wanting to be a Peer. The ability to have more Peers is limited since the Provider needs to have outpatient license limits.
 - ii. Workforce Development must be a priority! There is a shortage of licensed professionals and there are modifications that could be made to allow for a more diverse workforce that allows less qualified mental health workers and paraprofessionals. - follow through of candidates (ghosting), viable wage
 - iii. Reimbursement rates are not enough to pay an adequate payrate and invest into quality enhancements for the program. PA must consider other service delivery models and reimbursement models like CCBHCs.
 - iv. Regulatory reform is a no cost solution! Regulations are dated with a need to review the staffing requirements, administrative burden of documentation and encounter verification.

Next Meeting: 6/9/23
Off in July and August