



Children's CAP Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: 2/9/24 10:00 am-11:30 am Next Meeting Date: 3/8/2024 10:00-11:30

Co-Chairs: *Lisa Peterson-Lizun* (*Allegheny Children's Initiative*) and *Barb Saunders* (*UPMC*)

Participating Members: Nathan Omasta, Lori Grubbs, Bethany Douglas, Susan Stewart-Bayne, Kristina Gibson, Sharan Campbell, Alicia Logue, Kate Pompa, Kelly Schmidt, Heather Beachler, Tamara Marisco, Kaitlyn Campbell, Krista Lion, Laura Haile, Randi Hill, Sarah Fallica

Guests: none

Agenda Items	Discussion
Welcome	
RCPA Children's Committee Updates	Updates, Discussion & Collaboration with Jim Sharp, RCPA Children's Division Director- focus on child services- reviewed notes that Jim sent- see attachment
Advocacy Opportunities	<p>Review agenda for meeting with Stuart Fisk next month</p> <p>Transition Age Youth Initiative- who is participating? Communication and information sharing- workgroup meeting recap (2/8/24)</p> <p>CCBH access survey- in addition to other reporting</p> <p>Telehealth updates- 4 walls rule</p> <p>Program audit updates- did not review</p> <p>Follow up from CAP meeting: AHCI information Training requests to county</p>
Provider Updates & Announcements	Program Updates/Provider meeting updates
Wrap Up	Next meeting: March 8, 2024, 10-11:30 am- virtual or in-person at CLASS- Stuart Fisk is joining us in person

2024 CAP Children's Committee Goals



Mission Statement:

The mission of the Children’s Committee is to create a forum for advocacy on behalf of both member agencies and the children and families they serve. The committee provides education to its members on systemic and regulatory changes, practice developments, and issues of cultural importance to ensure that the services delivered are of the highest quality.

Children’s Division 2023 Goals	Action Items
<p>Build relationships with BH Deputy Director (Stuart Fisk) to increase knowledge and awareness of child services and improve advocacy efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stuart Fisk is new Deputy Director of BH for OBH. Focus on relationship building, increasing his knowledge and awareness of child services, improve our advocacy efforts 	<p>January: prep talking points (include overview of children’s services, main pain points, advocacy efforts)</p> <p>Stuart is scheduled for the March meeting</p>
<p>Advocate for appropriate allocation of funds by partnering with schools to address MH needs in education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Follow the funding for student mental health going through Dept of Educ- putting those without direct MH background in charge of developing MH programs/supports in schools. 	<p>County BH Child and Adolescent Unit- Ruth Ann Koss and Emily Born, Renee Patten Community Care representative</p> <p>Discuss outlook for school-based services, funding opportunities, partnering with providers and school districts</p> <p>SAP, CSBBH, school-based outpatient</p> <p>Stand Together- utilizes youth in schools to address MH to promote anti-stigma</p>
<p>Advocate for eliminating the regulatory and Performance Standard requirements that do not have an impact on quality of care (specifically around encounter verification and unfunded performance standards that increase administrative burdens)</p>	<p>Provide opportunities to discuss new expectations and impact on providers- i.e., changes to Family Based referral process</p>
<p>Advocate that Parent Training be a separate billable service across service lines (specifically IBHS and outpatient).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Goal is to provide parent education and improve child outcomes 	<p>Explore County funding for Parent Wise or other training (WFS- Westmoreland County)</p>



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Continue to partner with each other to grow awareness of new and existing services within the child-serving system

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Conversation with Stuart Fisk-

Introductions- each committee member introduces themselves, their agency name, their title

Overview of child services – provide to group as a reference/guide; at end of introductions, note that Children’s CAP Committee represents many/all levels of care

What has he learned about child services since joining OBH? What are his initial impressions of child services?

Does he need clarity regarding the differences between child and adult services? For child services, the consumer is the family and the child has other stakeholders (note how this impacts service delivery) involved in their care; remind Stuart about consumers 14 years and younger have the parent/guardian/MDM sign their documents; impact of SDoH on services

Inquire about Stuart’s vision of child ambulatory services now that he is a few months into his tenure

Inquire about what Stuart wants to learn more about regarding child services; our goal is to lay the groundwork for partnering child services and OBH

Ask to be invited to the table when decisions are being made regarding child services

Painpoints:

Concerns about moving services from program funded (county) to Health Choices- unintended impact on access for consumers

Workforce- Impact of losing clinicians to private practice due to regulatory burdens of Health Choices

Impact on initiatives when the consumer is a child- greater stakeholder involvement

Transition Age Youth Initiative- first learning collaborative meeting held on 2/8/24

The initiative has unanswered questions due to not having contracts rolled out to providers yet. Youth Support Partners spoke at the meeting. No workbooks have been received yet. UPMC, Pgh Mercy, WFS are participating. Questions to ask Jeff Long and Rusty Hewitt- request to change deadlines due to not receiving workbooks or contracts yet. Zero risk participation (with exception of time spent). Kate asked about the school-based outpatient workbooks being helpful- administrative burden was heavy according to Barb.

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Alicia noted the importance of family in supporting youth receiving mental health services. Need to involve the parent/caregiver in the care of transition youth. Bethany noted the risk involved in providing services to this age-group and the value and need to include the parent/caregiver.

CCBH Access Services- providers are being asked to complete the e-portal access survey as well as program specific services. The survey is going to the CCBH portal administrator.

Waitlist and waitlist management- providers are opting to not maintain a wait list (specifically IBHS) and refer to CCBH. Provide the “what to do while you are waiting” from CCBH, the provider list, encourage to work with their child’s Service Coordinator (or provide Blended SC list if don’t have one).

Tammy notes that information regarding training and data was provided at larger CAP meeting in January- no specific action steps resulted.

Recapping information from prior minutes:

Training requests from providers to the county- in-person, virtual, on-demand training

Mental Health First Aide

CTT training- Kelly Burda

Motivational Interviewing- Kelly Burda

Leadership

Clinical supervision

How to approach the county regarding APAs or VBP

Alternative Payment Arrangements

Value Based Payments

Evidence based practices: EMDR, MI

Group therapy training- Susan Tarasevich does this training

The committee reviewed an AHCI report from 2004 to review for data that was previously shared with providers

What **data** are providers seeking from the county that **AHCI** previously provided:

Market share data

What are leading to the trends?

County data with last AHCI report-outs (to compare)

Annual publication detailing claim data

Highest spend by service line

Highest volume of consumers

DEI training for Committee members- Nora- chair of DEI committee- will seek support for this at larger CAP meeting

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