

CAP Legislative Affairs Minutes 3/4/24

Plans for Capitol Day Tuesday 3/19/24

Register on the RCPA website

Press conference from 10:30-11:30 am in the Main Rotunda

Anyone is free to make appointments to see local reps

RCPA talking points provided

CAP will reimburse mileage for anyone who attends

All participants can utilize their agency mileage forms, use the CAP reimbursement rate of .58 and submit to Tom for reimbursement

Meeting with Meghna Patel, Deputy Secretary of Policy and Planning, Office of the Governor

Scheduled for March 20th with CAP membership

Planning to discuss regulation reform along with the Governor's agenda and commitment to human services

Dan Miller Disability Summit Thursday/Friday April 18-19/2024 Congregation Beth El

CAP will be represented during a legislative panel entitled Mental Health Staffing 101 along with Jen Smith, DHS OMHSAS Director and Michelle Schein, Pitt professor to discuss the staffing challenges from the provider point of view

Changes in regulations would create workforce flexibilities (licensed therapists, paraprofessionals, docs, etc.)

Streamlined process across BHMCO's for all licensed MA services

Nearly 40% of a clinician's time spent on admin activities that could be spent on clinical care

Stakeholder input

CAP Follow up with further discussions with Rep. Miller and policy staff regarding regulation reform both proposed by RCPA (complete suspension for 18 month) and the CAP-proposed regulation reform in the areas of:

Encounter form signage

Psychiatric time requirements

Provider duplication of APS investigations

CAP Follow up meeting with County Exec, Sarah Innamorato

Have reached out to invite her to the April or May meetings or to have a group of CAP membership meet with her if she would prefer a smaller group introduction

