

MINUTES
Saratoga County Community Services Board Meeting
April 27, 2016

Present: Dr. Edmond Amyot, Joseph W. Carr, Amy Hughes, Katie Lewis, Ph.D., Maureen Lewsey, Lillian McCarthy. Also present: Michael S. Prezioso, Ph.D. and Carol Lyte from the Mental Health Center.

Absent: Frank Arcangelo, Maria Morris-Groves, and RJ Stutzman

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Amyot called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken. Quorum was established.

III. MINUTES

A motion to accept the minutes from 3/30/16 was made by Ms. McCarthy, seconded by Ms. Hughes. Motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

None present.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/OLD BUSINESS

A. Staffing

- Youth Intake- TSA provides the nurse for the Youth Services team. Difficulty recruiting for this position. Salary is not competitive. Looking for additional revenue to increase salary. An offer has been made but candidate is interviewing at the hospital as well.
- Education and Community Relations Coordinator- Anita Daly has been hired for this position.
- Temp Support Staff- Support staff shortages related to medical leaves and retirements. A temp has been hired and can stay for 90 days.

B. Safety

- Cameras- wiring has been done. Two are installed. More are coming. All will be in public areas. Issues were raised about putting a camera in the file room. However, it will not have any audio and will be focused on the mailbox area.
- Hands-On- Commitment from Sheriff's Office to provide us with someone to help with any hands-on situations that may emerge. Also, Dr. Prezioso has submitted curriculum to HR to review that he can offer to staff.
- ASAP- moving forward with this. Psychological first aid for staff. With the Safety Committee right now for recommendations.

C. Suicide Prevention

- Evening of Healing
- SPC-NY grant- Saratoga County has a disproportionately high suicide rate and is one of the only counties that does not have a Suicide Prevention Coalition. Grant has been approved for \$3500 to start a Coalition. On May 10th at Our Lady of Grace in Ballston Lake there will be a Safe Talk training. At the end of June, Dr. Prezioso is going to a train the trainer session for intervening with suicides. He will then be able to train staff here and in the community.

D. CSB New Members

- Matt Sickles
- Maureen Lewsey
- James Colamaria
- Erin Christopher-Sisk, Ph.D.

E. DSRIP Updates

- Engagement Funds- Being a member of the mass system of care that is developing makes you eligible for certain funds. Carol Lyte has been working on this, filling out several surveys and we will be receiving funding for it. AHI has a check for \$20,000 and Albany Med has one for \$5000. Need to submit documentation to them to receive these checks and will then need to figure out which accounts those funds will go to. Also, there is a surplus from OASAS up to \$100,000. Would like to use it to upgrade our IT platform. Will need an integrated system that allows for communication with other entities in the network as well as integrating prescription writing with treatment planning, progress notes and billing services. Payments are shifting from fee-for-service to value based payments. Medicaid rates are guaranteed for the next 2 years but after that, we will need to negotiate new rates, based on data that will demonstrate our value. To do this, we will need to extract data which is difficult to do with our current system.
- Skidmore: Forum (handout)- Dr. Prezioso was asked by the Alliance for Better Health Care to speak at and moderate a public forum at Skidmore on May 5th.

F. Youth MH First Aid : CAPTAIN- Youth team staff member is certified as a trainer for Youth Mental Health first aid and has provided this training to CAPTAIN. She is also scheduled with CPS. Dr. Prezioso is getting recertified in disaster mental health and will be able to train others internally.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. RPCs (handout)- Our region within the regional planning consortium, known as the upper 9 counties, is changing to fit into DOH regions to more effectively coordinate services. Dr. Prezioso is the new Chair for the Capital Region Directors of Community Services.
- B. County Planning: process/input- it is no longer a requirement to hold separate meetings as long as there's input from each group as to what they have identified as needs. A motion was made by Dr. Amyot to have Dr. Prezioso meet with the stakeholder's group and request permission for him to incorporate their feedback into the County Plan that must be submitted to OASAS in lieu of holding separate meetings. Seconded by Ms. Hughes. Motion passed. The Plan is due June 1st. Dr. Prezioso will distribute the draft to the Board prior to submission for review and comment.
- C. Ambulatory Detox- This is a big service gap that has been identified by the stakeholder's group. A partnership has formed between SPARC and the Community Health Center of which we are a part of.
- D. Other- Staff have been trained in training others in the delivery in Narcan. Developing internal protocols to go out and provide the training to others. Would like to partner with CVS and also partner with the jail. Will be offering the first injection of Vivitrol at no cost in the jail upon release and then provide follow-up treatment here. Still working on connecting schools with resources and deploying staff there. Looking forward, with the new IT structure, the Center is moving towards an open access model. This would entail scheduling clinicians centrally and also assigning clinicians to take walk-ins as a service to help keep clients out of the hospital.

VII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be May 25th at 4:00pm. Dr. Amyot offered to host a Board Retreat at his house over the summer.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Cari Abatemarco