

ED Forum Meeting
June 17, 2016
Region Ten, CSB

Present:

Ron Branscome	Amanda Cunningham	Brian Duncan
Ingrid Barber	David Deering	Mark Elwell
Ellen Harrison	Barbara Shue	Christy Cacciapaglia
Mindy Conley	Marna Bentley	Dennis Vaughn
Michael Bell	Heather Norton	Jessica Lawrence
Dr. Mary Clare Smith	Martha Maltais	
Damien Cabezas *	Sandy Bryant	

*Present on phone conference

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Duncan called the meeting to order at 9:30 am
2. **Welcome participants on phone conference:** Mr. Cabezas was welcomed to the meeting via polycom.
3. **Review of Agenda:** No additions to the agenda were suggested
4. **Review of May Meeting Minutes:** There were no objections to the ED Forum meeting minutes from May.
5. **Public Comment:** No public comment
6. **Consumer Group Inputs:** No consumer groups were present.
7. **Regional Psychiatric Project Update:** A psychiatrist has been hired-who has experience as a locum tenens. This individual will start on July 1st and will work with several CSBs.
8. **State Facility Utilization Reduction Regional Funds:** The group discussed the Region I proposals from Alleghany Highlands, Horizon, Northwestern, and Rockbridge Area CSBs. Mr. Duncan stated that he wishes to get these proposals to the Department by the end of the upcoming week. There was discussion of other ways to utilize the funds for transportation or longer-term beds at New Beginnings, and using funds to support other transition houses. The group also discussed the dramatic increase in TDOs and the percentage of SA admissions.
9. **DD CM Transitions:** Some private providers do not have the licensed staff to be able to contract with CSBs. There was discussion as to how to best clarify the Department's expectations to private providers as to when they need to have contracted with the CSBs.
10. **HPR I ID/DD REACH Crisis Program:** Ms. Cunningham presented the Region I REACH Child Crisis update and stated that she is proud of the work that the program has accomplished and reported that fewer children are being sent to Commonwealth and are instead being served in their homes. There is currently funding requests for over 10 additional professional staff positions. The group commended Ms. Cunningham for her hard work. Ms. Cunningham then noted that there are challenges concerning the 24/7 piece of the ID Navigator position. It was suggested that each ID Navigator receive a monetary stipend for being on call 24/7. Another

suggestion was the creation of a 24/7 pool. Ms. Norton suggested cross-training between QMHP and QMHP-Child staff.

11. **LIPOS Contract Template Update:** Mr. Vaughn reported that letters have been sent out to extend the current LIPOS contracts before the new LIPOS contract goes into effect on October 1st.
12. **Regional Financial Reports:** Mr. Branscome reported that the region has spent more to date than total state funding had there been no carryover funds.
13. **Virginia Veteran and Family Support Project:** Mr. Branscome informed the group that those serving in peer positions will be official employees of RACSB as of July 1st.
14. **Regional Initiatives Manager Report**
 - A. *LIPOS Reports:* As of June 16th, HPR-I has encumbered \$1,249,263.00 in LIPOS funds.
 - B. *ES A&E Report Data:* There were more last resort placement sin May than in March and April Combined. Mr. Vaughn commended ES staff for going above and beyond.
 - C. *DAP/RUMCT Report:* The most recent WSH Census meeting took place on June 10th, 2016. Mr. Vaughn reported that 22 DAP plans now have funding due to the WSH-specific bridge funding. Nine individuals have already been discharged, and four more discharges will take place soon.
 - D. *May Regional Program Utilization Data:* The utilization data for HPR-I detox and crisis stabilization was available for review in the handout
15. **Adult REACH program / new contract and recruitment:** Ms. Maltais presented the HPR-I REACH Data Summary for May and presented the new MOA for the REACH contract. The document was passed around for signatures. Two applicants have backed out of the open director position that was vacated by Ms. Gail Paysour last winter. There has been discussion of incentives to offer to make the job more attractive.
16. **Review of Roles/responsibilities for Regional Staff:** This item was not discussed
17. **Western State Hospital Updates:** Dr. Smith reported that WSH is experiencing high acuity, and the staff is stressed. The hospital is prepared for divert status. Dr. Smith commended census management for a job well done.
18. **Commonwealth Center Updates:** Ms. Shue reported that there were 702 admits through the May. When breaking down this number by HPR, she noted that the most admits were for region 3, while the rest were evenly distributed throughout the other regions. Ms. Shue added that in April, 83% of the admits were TDOs.
19. **Central Virginia Training Center Updates:** There were no CVTC updates.
20. **DBHDS Updates:** Ms. Conley stated that it is commendable that HPR-1's ES staff continue to find placements.
21. **Other Individual CSB Updates:** There were no individual updates.

The meeting was adjourned at 12pm. The next ED Forum meeting will take place on July 15, 2015 at Region Ten CSB