

Children's Issues Committee, September 20, 2022, 1:00pm

ACMH Update – Jane Shank

Jane was not available for an update. She provided a written update and attachments to the group ahead of time. Group had no discussion.

DHHS Updates – Phil Kurdunowicz, Lindsay McLaughlin, Kim Batsche-McKenzie, Justin Tate, Mary Chaliman – MDHHS

Kim Batsche-McKenzie reported that Sec. 996. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for family support subsidy, the department shall make monthly payments of \$229.31. \$300.36 to the parents or legal guardians of children approved for the family support subsidy by a CMHSP. She spoke about data monitoring and quality improvement section of the Children's Division. She introduced Justin Tate, Stacy Farrell, Phil K and Lisa Collins. Justin spoke about Family Driven Youth Guided Policy. Justin spoke about partnership efforts between the Department and the Education System. Stacey is working with a team to develop and formalize processes for highly complex situations, urgent clinical matters, etc. for youth. They are working to establish a collaborative effort with Hospitals for youth who are transitioning out of Hawthorn. They are also working on clinical consultations and troubleshooting with PIHPs. These are all being focused on children across all systems. As documents begin to emerge and become final, they will be shared with this group by the Department. Phil Kurdunowicz spoke about division updates – hiring – services for Children with I/DD including Autism spectrum has Dr. Mary Luchies. Section 924 – PIHP rates – The Department issued a memo clarifying these actuarially sound rates. Also, the Department released a memo about recertification process. Phil then spoke about MI Kids Now. He stated that certain teams are active now – two are new – Community reintegration process team, and placement and treatment options team. Release for the grant program (request for proposals) is available on the EGrAMS page. Workforce development leadership team update – Brad Behren has moved to a new role in managed care oversight division, and Lisa Collins will be stepping into his role. Mobile Crisis RFP states that only CMHs and PIHPs can apply. Phil stated that first cohort launches Jan. 1st, and second cohort launches May 1st. If you are receiving funding currently for ICSS, you are urged to apply for the Jan. 1st cohort.

Legislative Update – Alan Bolter (enc)

Alan reviewed the material provided in the packet. No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Child Psychiatric Bed Crisis – WHERE ARE WE NOW?

No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Workforce Challenges-WHERE ARE WE NOW? Demand is up while workforce has become critical.

No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Children's Administrators Forum Update – Gwenda Summers, CEI

September meeting minutes and October Agenda

Gwenda was not available. Gwenda provided the minutes from the September meeting, as well as the upcoming October meeting agenda, in the packet materials. No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Committee Proposed Focus Areas for 2023

Child Psychiatric bed Crisis, Threats to our Children's system of care efforts/KB lawsuit

Policy, Advocacy, Gaps in Services, Create strategies for workforce capacity issues in our system

No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Other

Poll group to see if Zoom or in person meetings are preferable moving forward

No minutes were taken during this portion of the meeting due to technical difficulties.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Children's Issues Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, November 15, 2022, 1:00pm. This meeting will be held in-person AND via Zoom.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:28pm