

Developmental Disabilities Sub-Committee
August 16, 2017

Present: Brian Hart, Pamela Overdurf, Ed Lukomski, AJ Kircher, Rene' Snyder, Andy Yaiviga, Leisa Alger, Kellie Traugott-Knoll

Excused: Katrina Stanton, David Andreine

Minutes:

Approved with one change – Sean's last name is spelled "Eagen".

Director of Community Services Report – Brian Hart

- **Waiver:** 11-15 Waiver will impact the way you will be funded. Pathways is starting to transfer some staff from the old way of doing business to the new way of doing business. Making sure that there is no duplication, and taking those who are doing light jobs and combining into one care coordination. MSC's are upset with the state and are worried that they may be out of a job. There is some mention of others who are transitioning, but nothing is set in stone. There is talk that Care Coordinators will need more education. The deadline is in November, we should know more by then. Migrating the MSC workforce may be delayed as they work toward getting educational credits. The first year enrollment will be a choice, but they will be more reluctant to enroll/join by telling them it's voluntary. The State will not have MSC's. Able 2 and Pathways did a pilot programs that is done in September and will not be renewed. Information was shared about Prime Care, which is a developing CCO. They will be holding an informational meeting on Wednesday August 30, 2017 12pm to 1:30pm in Binghamton with lunch being provided. There was some conversation about grandfathering the MSC's, but some will require certain degrees. There will be two Care Coordinators agencies in each area. I-Circle is not applying to be one, it will be Prime Care. Would like to make this a smooth transition. OPWDD is modeling after Children's Health Home, which has many problems on its own let alone the fact that it is less than a year old, do doesn't have a proven track record to model after..
- **VBP University:** Value Based Payment – Brian wanted to make everyone aware of the website to gather information. It is very clear in the Medicaid world that fee for services are going to be outcome based. Everything including State Aid will go to Managed Care. This is a critical time and we have to push the State now to develop outcomes now. The State needs to release these measurable outcomes early enough so providers/vendors can have their computers systems upgraded/programed to report the data needed so they get paid. If we don't know ahead of time and don't have the flexibility, some agencies will close. Family Services just looked into adding five data points to their system and it will cost approximately \$24,000.00. It comes down to infrastructure and possible mergers and/or closures. The data does not need to

be complicated and somewhat flexible. This can be done if you have the money, as the infrastructure is important. DOH has the authority to set the rules. It's possible you could never meet the Health Care Matrix. There is no uniformity state wide. This should be a DOH discussion. Things should be defined before you start. The funding will no longer be like you got before.

- **START Resource Center:** The question was asked if it could count as one of the 48 hour crisis beds. FLLPS said yes to Brian Hart, and not to Gary. There needs to be a meeting with all involved, so the interested parties have a uniform response. If the person meets the criterial it will count. A START Coordinator has to refer, and they have to be enrolled in START.

Sharing by Community Members

- **Able 2:** They received their site certification for the two apartments on Church Street. The program opens this Friday with the same two individuals that were discussed in previous meetings.
- **Pathways:** OMIG Audit was done in December 2016. When they came they scanned thousands of pages from their files. They are getting in the results and so far so good. They set up a preliminary exit with a bunch of findings on one page. They resent information that the auditors needed and are now down to nothing on the list. You need to make sure every piece of paper saying when you gave it to them. The auditors are trying to reclaim money.
- **Breath-Body-Mind Conference:** The 5th Annual Chemung County Breath-Body-Mind Conference will be held on October 7th and 8th at the Holiday Inn Express in Horseheads NY. Brian Hart passed out brochures with all the information and how to register. The skills from this could be used to teach children how to self-regulate, instead of being dependent on others.

🕒 **The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2017.**