

**TSG Executive Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Friday June 18, 2010  
MACMHB**

Exec. Committee Members Present: Judy Webb, Brad Casemore, Paul Ippel, Alexis Kaczynski, Joanne Sheldon, Lisa Lepine, Staff: Laura Vredevelde  
Guest: James Gallant

**Approval of Agenda** – approved as written

**Review and Approval of Minutes** - May 7, 2010 meeting minutes approved as written

**Current Budget/ Actual Financial Update** – Laura reviewed most recent financials from MACMHB. Laura is working with MACMHB to get timely expense reports. No questions or concerns. Monthly expenses continue as expected.

**Update on PIHP Payments for TSG for FY 11/12** – Laura reviewed the information from MACMHB related to PIHP Payments. 11 PIHP's have paid for FY 2011. Several other directors have indicated they will be reviewing with their Board in the coming months. Will review again at next meeting and determine if MAMCHB should re-issue invoice and/or whether a letter from TSG Exec Committee or other follow up is indicated.

**TSG Executive Committee Membership** – Phil Royster has communicated with Laura that he has resigned his position at Recovery Council and will no longer be serving on TSG Exec Committee or Full Board. Members of Exec Committee expressed their appreciation for Phil's years of service to TSG. Laura will request a nomination from Recovery Council to fill this vacancy.

**Project/Workgroup Updates:**

**-Access Standards** – Question and discussion re: whether a report from the site review team related to PIHP's performance on the new access standards should come back to TSG or if this quality feedback belongs elsewhere. Determined that this belongs with MDCH, and that typically TSG's role on a project is done once the standards have been recommended to MDCH and any necessary training is accomplished. Judy agrees that this should go through MDCH Quality Improvement Council.

**-Waiting List Guidelines** – Draft Guidelines were developed by TSG and submitted to MDCH. Guidelines were sent out by MDCH for 30 day review in March 2010. TSG's role should be considered finished, as this is now in MDCH process to determine if it will become technical advisory. Data collected at the local level will be requested by MDCH through the PPG process.

**-Needs Assessment Workgroup** – Dave Schneider chairing this workgroup. Looking at what is important

to collect at a local level and what does MDCH need to know as data aggregated across state. Meeting held this morning with Dave, Laura, Judy Webb and Doris Gellert to clarify some issues about the workgroup's direction. Support for using a public health model approach to focus on trends, populations, clinical needs, and collaborations. Important to emphasize the other local partners providing services to our population and how we can work collaboratively with them. Also looking at community strengths and resources. Agreed that this is not the time to be doing a broad outreach/case-finding approach to community needs assessment. Dave will provide update to Full Board today.

**-CM/SC Core Competencies** – Laura Vredeveld and Nora Barkey from MDCH are jointly leading this project. Draft competencies have been developed after researching national models, other state approaches, and soliciting input during various focus groups. Currently working on organizing the competencies by function (Assessment, Planning, Linking, Coordinating, and Monitoring). Looking at these as “system” competencies, not necessarily that every person in the role of CM/SC has every one of the competencies. Nora and Laura have several additional feedback sessions planned, including consumer groups. Will provide more detailed update and draft competency documents at September Full Board meeting.

**Active Engagement** – Laura is working on revised document which removes specific references to setting and is more focused on definitions, hallmarks, examples of active engagement. This is in response to significant feedback on the earlier draft documents developed by the DD PIT subgroup. Discussion of timing for this document and the need to continue dialogue on these issues. Laura agreed to work on language and share with MDCH for review and comment and share with TSG Exec at next meeting.

**Enhanced Data Submission** – This project is proceeding well and according to work plan. Sessions held at Improving Outcomes conference this month. Data warehouse development continues, with plan to be prepared for testing later this summer. Scheduled for implementation October 2010. Will be included as contract requirement.

**Administrative Efficiencies** – Laura is participating on the QI Council workgroup looking at site review process and other monitoring and reporting efficiencies. Group will also be looking at PIHP monitoring. Brief discussion of oversight/monitoring roles of the various entities and MDCH needing to demonstrate to CMS that they have adequate processes in place to ensure health & welfare of vulnerable populations. Concerns that the process doesn't become too prescriptive. Recommend that we develop standards that allow for some flexibility in how this is accomplished with CMHSP's and providers due to the various models of service delivery across the state. Judy indicates that MDCH may have to be more prescriptive to meet the CMS requirements.

**-Direct Workforce Development** – Planning efforts continue with Kalamazoo PIHP, PHI, and MDCH reps on a DELEG grant focused on direct support staff. It is anticipated that this will help lay some groundwork for further initiatives next fiscal year related to support staff competencies, training, and reciprocity.

**Other business** – In previous Exec Committee meetings, we held some preliminary discussion related to TSG's role in the early adoption of healthcare reform as well as Medicaid capitation development process. Exec Committee agreed to table both of these topics until further notice.

**Public Comment** – Mr. James Gallant from Project Parenting Time provided public comment related to several TSG workgroups and products. He suggested that the legal/court needs of individuals in the community be considered in the Needs Assessment process. He believes TSG should be more assertive in collecting payments from PIHP's for next fiscal year. He believes the draft Technical Advisory for Waiting

Lists is weak in some of its language and is too permissive of local CMH flexibility. He indicated his concern that some PIHP's are not following the CDC's recommendations on suicide risk and is concerned about incidents of suicides in clusters. He again advocates for TSG to consider the court-ordered legal rights of children in Michigan.

**Adjourn**