

Waiting List Guidelines

MDCH issued the TSG Waiting List Guideline as a draft technical advisory in April 2010 for public review and comment. MDCH staff is reviewing public comments and input received on this draft document.

Needs Assessment

This workgroup, under the chairmanship of David Schneider is developing draft guidelines including core values, essential elements, and process recommendations in order to meet the MH code requirements for community needs assessment. The workgroup will present its draft guideline to the TSG board in December 2010.

Casemanagement/Supports Coordination Core Competencies

TSG has developed a draft set of system core competencies for effective Casemanagement & Supports Coordination. Stakeholder feedback has been solicited from over 300 staff, program managers, consumers and advocates. The advisory group will develop recommendations for information dissemination, training, tools for evaluation and supervision on these competencies. For a copy of the draft competencies contact laurav@network180.org.

Active Engagement

Initial work on this topic completed by a DD PIT subgroup resulted in a draft document that received significant feedback from stakeholders, including advocates, providers, consumers, PIHP and provider staff. The draft document was subsequently revised and was submitted to MDCH for review in July 2010, focusing more specifically on definition and measures of active engagement and community inclusion and removing reference to specific settings and programs. TSG work on this project is now complete. Any further work on this topic will be conducted and led by MDCH.

Enhanced Data Submission

TSG/CIO Forum Data Exchange Workgroup developed Principles of Data Submission, Guidelines for Reporting Events (including definitions, populations, types of events, and timelines for reporting), and Technical Specifications for Incident Reporting (including file formats, data definitions). Members of CIO Forum jointly developed and built a Data Warehouse to be used statewide. The data warehouse is now available for file submission following MDCH contract requirements at the following site: (<http://www.MiPIHPWarehouse.org>). Training and information dissemination has been provided through the CIO Forum and MACMHB Improving Outcomes conferences.

Administrative Efficiencies

TSG Director is participating on the MDCH Quality Council workgroup reviewing Site Review processes and recommendations related to PIHP monitoring. Workgroup recommendations are currently under review by MDCH leadership. Changes to site review process will be made during FY 11.

Direct Support Staff Development

TSG Director is involved with planning efforts on a pilot project and solicitation of grant funding from DELEG for identification of core competencies, curriculum development, and training for Direct Support Staff. TSG Director also participated on a subgroup of MACMHB Policy Committee reviewing the State Training Guidelines Workgroup draft recommendations.

For copies of any TSG product, information about meetings or workgroup activities, or to provide feedback or comments on current or future TSG projects, please contact Director Laura Vredevelde at laurav@network180.org.