TO: CMH and PIHP Executive Directors  
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Executive Board

FROM: Robert Sheehan, Chief Executive Officer  
Alan Bolter, Associate Director

RE:  
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New format for Friday Facts highlights its multiple purposes: The Friday Facts is designed to fulfill two distinct needs: to highlight the work and accomplishments of individual MACMHB members and to be a source for MACMHB members to get information gleaned from across the nation and the state on a wide range of topics, without the members having to spend their time identifying and reviewing these numerous information sources (a “one-stop-shop” for information on the national and state developments in our field).

In an effort to ensure that both needs are met, the Friday Facts is now redesigned to have focused segments revolving around state and national developments and resources; the work and accomplishment of MACMHB member organizations; as well as the longstanding Friday Facts sections focusing on state legislative action; national...
Congressional, executive, and judicial action; and MACMHB committee schedules, membership, minutes, and information.

Highlighting the work of individual MACMHB members: If your organization has an event or accomplishment that you would like highlighted in an upcoming Friday Facts, send the article (200 words or less with the exact wording that you would like to have included in the Friday Facts) that you would like included in an upcoming MACMHB Friday Facts, to Bob Sheehan at rsheehan@macmhb.org. Feel free to provide a website address in the article, if that website can provide Friday Facts readers with additional information on the topic covered in the article (i.e., copy of an article, story, photos, and video).

WORK AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MACMHB MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Allegan CMH names interim CEO

The Allegan CMH Board of Directors recently made the following announcement regarding the appointment of the organization's Interim CEO:

The Allegan CMH Board authorized the appointment of Mr. Mark Witte as the Interim CEO of Allegan CMH effective February 8, 2017. Mark will serve in that position until further notice. Mark is a clinical social worker by training, having received his BA in Sociology from Calvin College in 1983 and an MSW from Michigan State in 1985. He worked 5 years in direct care at Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services, 19 years at Wedgwood Christian Services in clinical and administrative roles, 11 years at Network180 in Kent County as administrator for substance abuse services, and 2 years at the Lakeshore Regional Entity as both regional director of substance abuse services and director of policy, planning and communication. The unanimous decision to bring Mark on board as Interim CEO demonstrates the Board's commitment to moving the agency forward and continuing to offer quality services to the individuals we serve.

The Allegan CMH Board has also authorized the use of a search firm to assist the Board in filling this very important position.

Jon C. Campbell, Chairman; Allegan County CMH Board

Congratulations to Mark and the Allegan CMH Board of Directors.

LAHC to honor Tom Watkins at annual gala

LAHC recently make the following announcement regarding the organization’s recognition of Tom Watkins as the recipient of the Excellence & Great Achievements Award:

LAHC (Leaders Advancing and Helping Communities) is pleased to announce that Mr. Tom Watkins, President and CEO of Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority-DWMHA is the recipient of the 2017 Excellence and Great Achievements Award. This honor will be bestowed upon him during the LAHC 29th Annual Awards Gala scheduled to take place on Thursday, April 6th, 2017 at the Edward Hotel- Dearborn. “We are honored to recognize the tremendous contributions and unremitting efforts of Mr. Watkins to ensure our community has the most necessary resources available in mental health and substance abuse services.” stated Wassim Mahfouz, LAHC Senior Executive Director. “His commitment to supporting the health needs of all communities is worthy of recognition and we are proud to honor him with the Excellence and Great Achievements award.” LAHC is a human services organization with a mission to empower communities, one family at a time, by advancing the social, educational and economic well-being of Southeast Michigan Residents.

Congratulations to Tom and LAHC.
Public comment sought on Section 298 model/pilot proposals

Below is an announcement from the team within MDHHS leading the Section 298 effort. This announcement outlines the two methods through which public comment will be received from now through February 28 regarding the categories of the model/pilot proposals submitted in response to the call for models/pilots. In total, forty-two (42) proposals were submitted. Note that this process will use an on-line survey portal and a public forum.

**ACTION:** MACMHB urges its members and stakeholders to participate in this process by completing the on-line survey. Additionally, if possible, attending the public forum will also be valuable, but not as practical for most of the state’s residents.

If you have questions regarding this public comment period, do not hesitate to contact Bob Sheehan at rsheehan@macmhb.org or (517) 374-6848.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) posted draft financing models for the Section 298 Initiative for public review today. The Section 298 Initiative is a statewide effort to improve the coordination of physical health services and behavioral health services. The discussion of financing models is part of the next phase of the Section 298 Initiative.

MDHHS collaborated with the 298 Facilitation Workgroup to develop the models. The models are based upon 42 proposals that MDHHS received from a wide variety of stakeholders. Based upon the proposals, MDHHS and the workgroup developed six categories of financing models and one category of non-financing models, which are listed below. The 298 Facilitation Workgroup will only be evaluating five of the proposals, which are marked with an asterisk (*)

- Statewide Behavioral Health Managed Care Organization*
- MHP or PIHP Payer Integration
- CMHSP (Provider) Capitation*
- Modified Managed Care Approaches*
- Current Financing Structure Enhancement*
- Local/Regional Integration Arrangements*
- Non-Financing Models

The public input process for the financing models will last from February 16, 2017 to February 28, 2017. MDHHS has established several opportunities to gather comments on the financing models, which are described below:

- Stakeholders may complete an online survey to gather input on the draft financing models. The survey can be accessed through the following link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WV8TRQJ](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WV8TRQJ)

- MDHHS will also host a public forum to gather comments on February 24, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The forum will be held at the East Lansing Hannah Center, which is located at 819 Abbot Road in East Lansing. Individuals who are interested in attending the forum should RSVP by using this link: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/public-forum-for-the-section-298-initiative-tickets-32101337966](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/public-forum-for-the-section-298-initiative-tickets-32101337966)

MDHHS and the 298 Facilitation Workgroup will use the comments from the public input process to refine and improve the draft financing models. The revised financing models will be incorporated into the Section 298 Final Report, which must be submitted to the legislature by March 15, 2017.

For more information about the draft financing models or the Section 298 Initiative, visit [www.michigan.gov/stakeholder298](http://www.michigan.gov/stakeholder298) or send an email to MDHHS-298@michigan.gov.
LANSING, Mich. — Only 8 percent of Michigan voters favor repealing the Affordable Care Act (ACA, or "Obamacare") without the U.S. Congress and President Donald Trump first putting a detailed replacement plan in place, according to a new survey conducted by EPIC-MRA.

As Washington considers changes to or a blanket repeal of the ACA, the survey found 57 percent of Michigan voters — including overwhelming majorities of Republicans and Independents — want Congress and President Trump to put a replacement plan in place before moving to repeal the law. Another 33 percent of Michigan voters opposed repealing the ACA. Nearly one million — or one in 10 — Michigan residents is now insured under the ACA, either by the state’s Healthy Michigan Plan for low-income working men and women, or the state’s insurance exchange.

The statewide survey of 600 Michigan voters was conducted Feb. 4 to 9 and has an error margin of ±4 percent. The questions were tested for the Michigan Health & Hospital Association (MHA).

While 61 percent of Democrats say the ACA should not be repealed at all, 79 percent of Republicans and 63 percent of Independents don’t want the law repealed before a replacement plan is in place, the survey found.

“Support among Michigan voters for a repeal of the ACA is extraordinarily low,” said EPIC-MRA pollster Bernie Porn. “As we have seen in many other polls taken across the state and in other states, a strong majority of Michigan voters don’t want the ACA repealed unless Congress and the president first put a replacement plan in place. In addition, a strong percentage of voters flat-out oppose repealing the ACA.”

The survey also found an overwhelming 81 percent of Michigan voters (including 80 percent of Independents and 67 percent of Republicans) support the State of Michigan or the federal government offering low-cost, comprehensive health insurance to workers earning $34,000 a year or less. The state’s Healthy Michigan Plan, which was created because of the ACA, provides comprehensive health insurance to 654,208 Michigan workers (as of Monday) earning $34,000 a year of less.

MORE

“Michigan voters overwhelmingly agree that the state should offer low-income working men and women the type of insurance available under the Healthy Michigan Plan of Plan,” Porn said.

MHA CEO Brian Peters said the survey provides ample evidence of strong Michigan voter support for preserving the type of health insurance made possible by the ACA.

“It’s quite clear that Michigan voters back the Healthy Michigan Plan, which was created by Republicans and Democrats in our state working together, and don’t want Washington to scrap the ACA without first having a replacement plan in place,” MHA CEO Brian Peters said. “It appears voters agree that improvements can be made. However, they don’t want to throw the baby out with the bath water because they understand that health insurance means access to high-quality care and greater economic freedom.”

Here are the ACA-related questions on the EPIC-MRA survey:

Currently, the U.S. Congress and new President Donald Trump are considering repealing the Affordable Care Act, which could eliminate health insurance coverage and access to medical care for hundreds of thousands of Michigan residents. However, Congress and the President have not yet proposed or approved a plan to replace the Affordable Care Act in a way that will maintain coverage and access for millions of citizens. Which of the following actions do you support the most?

1. 57% Repeal the Affordable Care Act, but not until a detailed replacement plan is enacted
2. 8% Repeal the Affordable Care Act right away without a replacement
3. 33% Do not repeal the Affordable Care Act at all
4. 2% Undecided/Refused

Should the State of Michigan or the federal government offer a low-cost, comprehensive health insurance plan for adult residents earning $34,000 a year or less, or, should such a plan not be offered?

1. 81% Yes, a health insurance plan should be offered
2. 11% No, such a health insurance plan should NOT be offered
3. 8% Undecided/Refused

Do you believe financial assistance should be available from the state or federal government to lower income residents so they will be better able to afford to purchase health plans for themselves and their families?

1. 78% Yes, financial assistance should be available
2. 15% No, financial assistance should not be available
3. 7% Undecided/Refused

National Council launches Unite4BH campaign

Below is a recent announcement from Michael Petruzzelli, the Manager of Policy and Advocacy at the National Council for Behavioral Health on the start of the Unite4BH campaign. MACMHB sees this as a very strong and focused effort to support the continuation and strengthening of the safety net role that Medicaid plays for those with behavioral health and intellectual/developmental disability needs.

I am pleased to share with you the launch of the National Council's Unite4BH campaign. This campaign is our latest effort, in accord with your directives, to preserve Medicaid and stave off major changes that could harm consumers across the country. However, in order to be successful, we need your voices and the voices of your members to be heard in Congress. Through Unite4BH the National Council is calling upon its members to unite to protect behavioral health care.

How can you help?

- Let your members know about the campaign (template language below)
- Schedule a meeting with your legislator during an upcoming recess
- Attend a Town Hall
- Promote the campaign on social media using #unite4BH (draft posts below)
- Visit the Unite4BH page regularly to see the latest opportunities to get involved:
  https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/

Language to promote Unite4BH:

Subject - The Time to Unite4BH is NOW

Nearly one in three people who receive health insurance coverage through the Medicaid expansion either have a mental illness, substance use disorder or both. If the Medicaid expansion were to be repealed, this population of vulnerable Americans would be left without lifesaving treatment, driving up costs in emergency room visits and hospital stays. Through Unite4BH the National Council is calling upon its members to unite to protect behavioral health care. We need you to take action! Visit this page regularly to see the latest opportunities and get involved https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/. #Unite4BH

Tweets:
Congressional proposals to repeal #Medicaidexpansion threaten recent gains in #behavioralhealth treatment #Unite4BH https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/

Educate policymakers about the role of #Medicaid in caring for Americans living with #mentalillness & #addiction. #Unite4BH https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/

United we can help save health care coverage for millions of Americans in need. #Unite4BH https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/

Facebook/LinkedIn post: Nearly one in three people who receive health insurance coverage through the Medicaid expansion either have a mental illness, substance use disorder or both. If the Medicaid expansion were to be repealed, this population of vulnerable Americans would be left without treatment, driving up costs in emergency room visits and hospital stays. We need to unite to protect behavioral health care and the more noise we make now, the better our chances of delaying or stopping future Medicaid cuts. Visit #Unite4BH regularly to see the latest opportunities to get involved! https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/policy-action/unite4bh/

Price Delays Rule Meant to Encourage Sharing of Substance Abuse Treatment Records

Below is an excerpt from a recent article, by Joseph Conn, in Modern Healthcare, that describes the delay in the promulgation of the newly released federal rules on the privacy standards related to substance use disorder services.

HHS Secretary Tom Price wants more public input before enforcing a rule that loosened privacy standards around substance abuse treatment records. The Obama administration issued the rule just weeks before President Barack Obama left office. Price has moved the effective date of that rule from Feb. 17 to March 21.

The Trump administration last month imposed a 60-day freeze on new federal rules issued at the end of the Obama administration, pending their review by leaders of the new government. Price, in a notice that will be published in the Federal Register on Thursday, said the prior effective date would not have allowed sufficient time for public comment.

In the week before Obama left office, HHS issued a 292-page final rule that amended decades-old law to provide greater protections over the records of drug and alcohol treatment patients than other healthcare patients have under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

The new rule, several years in the making, eases consent requirements for the sharing of information between providers. Proponents suggest that allows those offering treatment services to more easily shift from fee-for-service to outcome-based reimbursements. Opponents said the data could end up in the hands of law enforcement and employers, which would discourage people from seeking treatment.

The old rule required patients to consent every time their data was shared. HIPAA, in contrast, does not require patient consent when a data holder discloses a patient’s information for most healthcare transactions, including treatment, payment and so-called “other healthcare operations.”

NAMI Michigan announces annual Michigan Honors Gala

Below is a recent announcement, from Kevin Fischer, CEO of NAMI Michigan, friends, regarding NAMI’s upcoming Michigan Honors Gala:

I’m sure you have your evening gowns and tuxedos ready. The NAMI Michigan Honors gala is fast approaching, excitement is building and I invite you to attend. I (happily) spent several hours this weekend shopping with my wife for the perfect dress!! This is our night, our opportunity to celebrate the wonderful accomplishments by all of us who work tirelessly to build better lives for everyone living with mental illness in Michigan. Michigan Radio Host Cynthia Canty will be our Hostess for the evening, and Special Honorees, Lt. Governor Brain Calley and 8-time Olympic Medalist Allison Schmitt will be in attendance. Purchase your
tickets/tables now to join us for a wonderful evening. For those who are traveling in from outstate, we have a limited number of reserved rooms at a special rate. I hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Kevin Fischer, Executive Director

Tickets for the gala can be purchased at: http://namimi.org/nami-honors-purchase-tickets

2017 Behavioral Health Information Management Conference announces key note speaker

Below is a recent announcement from the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions on their upcoming webinar on value based payments under Medicaid and Medicare:

Day One Keynote: Wednesday, April 26, 2017: Forecasting the Future: How to Prepare for New Value-based Models of Care from Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and SAMHSA

We are at the beginning of a new federal administration that is bringing fundamental changes to our health care system. In the Opening Keynote for the 2017 Behavioral Health Information Management Conference, John O’Brien will share his insights on these changes, their likely impact on behavioral health care services, and how best to reposition our systems of care and information system supports.

John O’Brien brings more than 30 years of experience working with Medicaid, mental health, and substance abuse authorities in numerous states to develop federal Medicaid Waivers, Medicaid state plan amendments, and federal grant applications. He currently works as a Senior Consultant for the Technical Assistance Collaborative. He previously worked for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in leadership roles with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). At CMS, John played a significant role in the implementation of the Medicaid expansion under the Affordable Care Act and the Home and Community Based Services regulations. At SAMHSA, John was the Senior Advisor to the Administrator on Health Care Reform.

Registration is open. Please reserve your seat NOW and VIEW the program!

Questions: If you have any questions, problems registering or making your hotel reservation, please contact the CIBHS Conference Department at gwalcott@cibhs.org or (916) 379-5317

Webinar series on Behavioral Health Workforce Webinar Series is announced

The Center for Interdisciplinary Health Workforce Studies at Montana State University and the Behavioral Health Workforce Research Center at the University of Michigan School of Public Health are pleased to co-sponsor a four-part webinar series in February, March, April, and May 2017.

- The first webinar, “Research to Strengthen Behavioral Health Workforce Capacity”, which will be held on February 16th, 1:00 p.m. EST, provides an overview of the state of the behavioral health workforce in terms of size, composition, and characteristics. It will also summarize efforts underway by the SAMHSA/HRSA-funded Behavioral Health Workforce Research Center to conduct studies to build workforce capacity.
- The second webinar, “Solving the BH Workforce Crisis: Award-Winning Tools for Growing your Pipeline of Providers”, which will be held March 30th, 1:00 pm EST, addresses workforce development challenges and highlights ongoing efforts in Nebraska and New Mexico to bolster the behavioral health workforce pipeline.
- The third webinar, “Changes and Constants in National Behavioral Health”, which will be held April 13th, 1:00 pm EST, focuses on legislative and policy changes and their potential impact on the behavioral health workforce.
The final webinar “The Challenges and Opportunities facing the Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Workforce” will be held on May 11th, 1:00 p.m. EST.


New Health Policy Sourcebook released

The recent announcement of the Alliance for Health Reform’s publication of the Health Policy Sourcebook is provided below:

As the debates heat up, do you need a better understanding of private insurance? Medicare? Medicaid?

Whether you are new to health policy or you just need to find the latest data, the Alliance for Health Reform has your back with a new edition of our “Sourcebook”: The Essentials of Health Policy: A Sourcebook for Journalists and Policymakers.

The Sourcebook provides a one-stop reference on key topics across the full spectrum of the health care system. The new online edition will be continuously updated to make sure you have the latest, most reliable information. Each chapter contains fast facts, clear & comprehensive background, the current state of play, and experts you can contact for more information.

We welcome you to check out the latest edition and to bookmark it for future reference: allh.us/sourcebook

Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders FY 2017

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is seeking applications for the Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders. This program furthers the Department’s mission by providing resources to state, local, and tribal governments to establish or enhance the provision of treatment to adults to facilitate the successful reintegration of individuals returning from incarceration to their communities.

Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders FY 2017 Competitive Grant Announcement; Applications Due: March 14, 2017 Competitive Grant Announcement: https://www.bja.gov/Funding/SCACOD.pdf

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

House Committee Passes Income Tax Rollback Bill

This week the House Tax Policy Committee passed HB 4001 on a 7-4 vote. The bill would create a 40-year state income tax rollback, the plan would drop the state’s income tax rate from 4.25 to 3.9 percent starting Jan. 1, 2018, and then the rate would drop another tenth of a percentage point every year until it reaches zero.

The state income tax represents nearly 70% of the state’s roughly $10 billion general fund dollars. The reduction from 4.25% to 3.9% would reduce the General Fund by $1.1 billion in its first year of full implementation. The .01% yearly reduction would be another $400 million hit to the GF each year.
Gov. Snyder said he hopes the full House deliberates more than the 90 minutes the committee spent on the plan and takes more public input before voting on a bill with which he has “serious concerns.” “We are on a very positive path toward our future and we can’t afford to take a wrong turn now,” Snyder said in a statement he also posted on Facebook. The State treasurer made the point to the House Tax Policy Committee that 2017 revenues are expected to be up $231.2 million, but that they will flat line through 2019.

The big question will be where the cuts would come from to make up the lost revenue, particularly for the first year. The school aid fund (SAF) is held harmless under the bill, meaning the initial $1.1 billion and all subsequent lost revenue would come out of the General Fund. Except for the transportation budget, which is also protected, all state programs and departments are paid for through the General Fund.

There are seven other states with no income tax: Alaska, Florida, Nevada, South Dakota, Texas, Washington and Wyoming. Of those seven states, five are considered to be among the top ten most regressive tax systems in the country, taxing the state's poorest 20 percent at a disproportionately high rate compared to the top 1 percent.

**Upcoming DHHS Committee Meetings**

**House MDHHS Committee Meeting**

Committee: House Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee  
Location: House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building  
Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2017  
Time: Noon  
Agenda:  
1. Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Administration

Please note the House committee scheduled only one day for public testimony, see below for the details:  
**DATE:** Monday, February 27, 2017

**TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**PLACE:** Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building, Lansing, MI  
**AGENDA:**  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Public Testimony on the FY 2017-18 Executive Budget Recommendation for Behavioral Health, Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, Children's Special Health Care Services, Aging and Adult Services  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.: At Ease for Lunch  
1:00 p.m.: Public Testimony on the FY 2017-18 Executive Budget Recommendation for Population Health, Health Policy, Child Welfare, Public Assistance, other Health and Human Services

**Senate MDHHS Committee Meeting**

Committee: Senate Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee  
Location: Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower  
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2017  
Time: 2:30 p.m.  
Agenda:  
1. Children's Services Agency  
2. Public Testimony
Please note Thursday, March 2 is the Senate behavioral health committee meeting along with public testimony.

NATIONAL UPDATE

Consensus Building on ACA Repeal, Replace Continues in Congress

While Cabinet confirmation hearings dominated the news cycle this week, discussions continued on Capitol Hill over how to move forward with repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act. This week featured the introduction of new legislation as well as public back and forth among individual Members of Congress debating next steps. Legislators have yet to coalesce around a course of action on reforming the nation’s health care system.

REPEAL OR REPAIR?

There is a growing divide among congressional leaders on whether Congress can and should fully repeal the Affordable Care Act. Many of the law’s provisions are popular to large sectors of the American electorate. Senators Susan Collins (R-ME) and Bill Cassidy (R-LA) recently introduced legislation that would allow states three options: keep ACA mandates and requirements, choose a new state alternative with federal assistance or design an alternative without federal assistance. One of the more moderate initiatives, this plan was met with criticism from more conservative legislators for not repealing the health care law its entirety.

Senator Mike Lee (R-UT) is one of the more vocal champions of simply repealing the health care law and waiting until later to craft and debate a replacement package. “If we load down the repeal discussion with what comes next, I think it’s going to make it a lot harder to get either one of them done,” Lee said recently in an interview. “We need to repeal it first before deciding what comes next. I think there is a lot of agreement among Republicans in Congress with regard to the repeal bill. There is a lot less agreement on what comes next.”

MACMHB committee schedules, membership, minutes, and information

The meeting schedules, membership list, minutes of recent committee meetings and additional committee-related information can be found at the “Committees” tab on the MACMHB website: https://macmhb.org/

Ninth Annual Gambling Symposium

MDHHS and MACMHB invite you to join us for a day of increased awareness about Gambling Disorders at the Ninth Annual Gambling Symposium, “Gambling Disorder in the Midst of Comorbidity,” on March 2, 2017 at the Diamond Center at Suburban Collection Showcase, Novi, Michigan. This training is appropriate for CEOs, COOs, CFOs, medical directors, clinical directors, case workers, supports coordinators, and other practitioners at all levels of practice. The fee for this 1 day training is $35. Find all the details and symposium registration here: https://www.macmhb.org/education

Have a Great Weekend!