



*Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards is now  
Community Mental Health Association of Michigan.*

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FRIDAY FACTS

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Chairpersons and Delegates  
Provider Alliance Members  
Executive Board Members

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Alan Bolter, Associate Director

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**New e-mail addresses for Association staff:** The Michigan Association of CMH Boards is now the COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN.

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**Association soon to announce new membership opportunities:** In response to requests for a broader range of membership options and a fuller list of benefits of each membership type, the CMH Association of Michigan will soon be announcing several new membership opportunities for organizations and individuals. Look for the revised Association membership brochure to be available in November.

**Friday Facts to become a members-only electronic newsletter:** Note that the receipt of this electronic newsletter will become a members-only benefit sometime in the next few months. While there will be another electronic newsletter for a wider range of non-members, it will not contain the depth or breadth of information contained in this newsletter.

**So, if you find the information in this newsletter useful and are not an Association member, consider becoming a member when the new membership opportunities are announced.**

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## **WORK AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CMH ASSOCIATION MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS**

### **OCHN names Interim CEO**

Below is a recent press release from Oakland Community Mental Health Network (OCHN) regarding the appointment of its Interim CEO, Diana Bundschuh. Congratulations to Diana.

Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) has named its current Chief Information Officer (CIO), Diana Bundschuh, as interim Executive Director and CEO.

Bundschuh will hold the position until a permanent CEO is chosen by the agency's Board to replace Willie Brooks. Brooks was hired by Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority as its new CEO last month. Brooks' last day at OCHN is Friday, March 2, 2018.

OCHN's Board concluded first round interviews of candidates last week. Six applicants were interviewed during special public meetings held at its administrative offices in Troy. Second round interviews are expected to take place in mid-March. Information about the search process is available on OCHN's website at [www.oaklandchn.org](http://www.oaklandchn.org).

Bundschuh's extensive technical and management experience in driving organizational improvements and the implementation of best practices is highlighted by her impressive expertise in strategic planning, project management, policy development, customer relations, process improvement, and much more. Prior to joining OCHN, Bundschuh served as Chief Information Officer for Hegira Programs, Inc. in Livonia, Michigan. During her 18 year career as an information systems professional, Bundschuh has held a number positions including leadership roles at Easterseals Michigan and the City of Glendale, Arizona.

### **Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health achieves NCQA Accreditation**

On March 2, 2018 Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health (SWMBH) received its Accreditation Letter and Certificate from NCQA for Medicare MBHO (Managed Behavioral Healthcare Organization), achieving a Full (three year) Accreditation. This honor reflects SWMBH's commitment to Industry Standards, and applies to the MI Health Link (Duals) business lines that SWMBH manages for Aetna Better Health and Meridian Health Plans.

According to SWMBH CEO Bradley Casemore "We have been operating under these Standards throughout the MI Health Link Demonstration. We thought it was time to seek and receive official NCQA Accreditation. These Standards are readily transferable to other SWMBH business lines. We are proud to be Michigan's first PIHP to achieve this coveted and rigorous Accreditation. I am grateful to all the SWMBH staff, led by Jonathon Gardner our Director of QAPI, who achieved this result."

### **MOKA Foundation Comedy Night – March 24, 2018**

You don't want to miss the Comedy Night on March 24th featuring Chicago comedian Patti Vasquez sponsored by the MOKA Foundation. This event may be of particular interest to parents who may identify with Patti's personal stories about raising a son with autism-like symptoms. An accomplished comedian, Patti is also an incredibly strong advocate for individuals with disabilities. This is a must see. The event to be held at the Knickerbocker Theatre located at 86 East 8th Street, Holland, Michigan starting at 7pm. A pre-glow event will be held at the Holland Arts Council. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased by calling (800) 644-2434 ext. 648 or at EventBrite.Com [Search on MOKA Comedy Night]

### **Northeast Guidance Center receives grants to continue Senior Reach**

Below is a recent announcement from the Northeast Guidance Center (NEGC) regarding the organization's receipt of grant funding to continue its highly successful Senior Reach program.

Northeast Guidance Center (NEGC) is pleased to announce two funding awards that will sustain the Senior Reach® program that began as a pilot program in 2016. Community Mental Health Association of Michigan (CMHAM) approved a bridge grant of \$59,678 to continue services in Wayne County for the period 4/1-6/30/18. The DMC Foundation's Board of Directors approved a \$50,000 grant for the period February 13, 2018 to February 14, 2019 to support the program that connects seniors to healthcare and community services.

NEGC has integrated Senior Reach® into adult outpatient services as depression care is embedded into traditional care management as a meaningful and practical service enhancement. NEGC partners with Detroit Community Health Connection (DCHC), a Federally Qualified Health Center located in our adult clinic. The Senior Reach® Advisory Board is well represented by senior service organizations such as Michigan Health & Human Services, Detroit Housing Commission, Detroit Metropolitan Council of Senior Citizens, Wayne State University Institute of Gerontology, PACE, SAGE and area churches and hospitals. The Advisory Board meets quarterly and includes fundraising and grant making opportunities on the agenda. Senior Reach® staff have identified competent senior organizations with available resources. Seniors have responded favorably to referrals by traditional organizations (e.g., Detroit Police Department, Harriet Tubman Senior Center) and non-traditional organizations (e.g., CVS, Fox Creek Post Office). Of the 173 seniors who have had intakes, 92.3% accepted services with 90% indicating their situation improved as a result of Senior Reach services.

## Technology Services RFP

Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health is accepting proposals in response to the following Request for Proposal (RFP): Technology Services that includes VoIP Services, Data Center Services, Desktop and Network Management Services, and Cellular Services. The RFP documents are available at [www.swmbh.org](http://www.swmbh.org). Proposals must be submitted to [swmbh.rfp@gmail.com](mailto:swmbh.rfp@gmail.com) no later than April 6, 2018.

## STATE AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS AND RESOURCES

### Section 298 pilot sites selected

Below is a recent press release announcing the three Section 298 pilot sites:

Three pilot sites selected to coordinate physical and behavioral health services in Michigan

Today the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announced the pilot sites for the state's Section 298 Initiative.

The selected pilots are:

- Muskegon County Community Mental Health (HealthWest) and West Michigan Community Mental Health
- Genesee Health System
- Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority

Muskegon County Community Mental Health and West Michigan Community Mental Health, which are geographically contiguous, are conducting a joint pilot.

The Section 298 Initiative is a statewide effort to improve the coordination of physical health services and behavioral health services in Michigan. This initiative is based upon Section 298 in the Public Act 268 of 2016. The Michigan legislature approved a revised version of Section 298 as part of Public Act 107 of 2017.

Under the revised Section 298, the Michigan Legislature directed MDHHS to implement up to three pilot projects and a separate demonstration model in Kent County to test the integration of publicly-funded physical and behavioral health services. MDHHS has been working since August to develop the structure of the pilots, which focuses on payer-level integration of Medicaid-funded physical health and behavioral health services.

The department collected feedback and solicited input from representatives of the current system on specific issues pertaining to the development of the pilots. The department used this input to develop a [white paper](#) which describes the parameters for the pilots.

MDHHS issued a Request for Information (RFI) on Dec. 20, 2017 to select the Section 298 Initiative pilot sites. Proposals were due Feb. 20, 2018.

The RFI included the following mandatory minimum requirements:

- The applicant is a Community Mental Health Service Provider (CMHSP).
- The applicant has submitted a signed memorandum of support from at least half of the Medicaid Health Plans (MHP) within the proposed pilot region, which demonstrates their engagement in pre-planning activities.
- The applicant has submitted a plan demonstrating full financial integration as required under Section 298 of Public Act 107 of 2017.

Contracts for implementation of the pilots will be between MDHHS and the MHPs operating in the pilot regions. In the coming months, MDHHS will work with the selected CMHSPs and MHPs to finalize the structure of the pilots. It is anticipated the pilots will be implemented by Oct. 1, 2018.

For more information about the Section 298 Initiative, visit [Michigan.gov/stakeholder298](http://Michigan.gov/stakeholder298).

### **HCBS news from MDHHS**

Below is a recent announcement from the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) office within MDHHS on the heightened scrutiny process.

... we would like to remind members of the MDHHS HCBS webpage.

This web page has detailed information regarding the remediation process itself as well as what providers can expect related to the HS assessment and remediation process.

We encourage providers or other interested parties to work with the HCBS PHIP lead for their region for specific details or information related to the remediation process. Detailed information regarding the leads contact information and the areas they oversee is available under contact information on the MDHHS webpage.

The department will be working with MSU around the HS process and will share additional information with the field as it becomes available.

MDHHS HCBS webpage: [http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547\\_2943-334724--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547_2943-334724--,00.html)

### **MDHHS issues L letter and Medicaid bulletin of interest to members**

Below are the recent announcements of an L letter and a Medicaid Bulletin of interest to Friday Facts readers.

L 18-14, dated March 6, 2018.

L 18-14 - MI Marketplace Option Provider Information and Webinar. – (Can be found at: [https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDHHS/2018/03/06/file\\_attachments/969270/L%2B18-14.pdf](https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDHHS/2018/03/06/file_attachments/969270/L%2B18-14.pdf) )

Medicaid Letters can be accessed on the web at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders) >> Policy, Letters & Forms >> Click 2018 under Numbered Letters.

Medicaid bulletin MSA 18-07 discusses Managed Care Network Provider Enrollment in the Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS), and is issued on March 5, 2018.

This Bulletin can be found at: [https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDHHS/2018/03/05/file\\_attachments/968721/MSA%2B18-07.pdf](https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDHHS/2018/03/05/file_attachments/968721/MSA%2B18-07.pdf)

This bulletin is being sent to All Providers.

Medicaid bulletins can be accessed on the web at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders), click on Policy, Letters & Forms.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> annual MI Hidden Talent Workshop announced**

Below is a recent press release announcing the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual MI Hidden Talent Workshop

Calley/Bernstein Announce 3<sup>rd</sup> annual MI Hidden Talent Workshop offering training, resource for hiring workers with disabilities

*Registration now open for April 30 free business training seminar in Novi*  
Monday, March 5, 2018

Lt. Gov. Brian Calley and Supreme Court Justice Richard Bernstein today announced the third annual MI Hidden Talent workshop, providing employers with resources and training to be intentional about hiring Michiganders with disabilities.

The free statewide workshop for business leaders and HR professionals will be held on Monday, April 30, in Novi at the Suburban Showplace.

Workshop attendees will receive training on accommodation, interviewing best practices and strategies to help close the skills gap. Resources the state offers to help businesses find and prepare talent for the needs of the workplace also will be provided.

“Being intentional about hiring people with disabilities is a common-sense way to help close Michigan’s talent gap and give people new opportunities to enter the workforce,” Calley said. “I’m proud of this effort and hope businesses take advantage of this free workshop to gain practical strategies for including talented workers they may not have considered before to take their companies to the next level.”

Calley and Bernstein started the MI Hidden Talent initiative in 2015 to highlight the overlooked skills of Michiganders with disabilities. Over the past few years, the two have traveled the state educating employers on the advantages of hiring people of different abilities through the MI Hidden Talent tour and workshop.

“People with disabilities are some of the most devoted, caring and hardworking employees a business can have,” Bernstein said. “We have traveled the state talking about taking advantage of the ‘hidden talent’ out there and I hope more businesses come on board with this exciting initiative and sign up for the workshop.”

To register or for more information about the workshop, visit: [www.mihiddentalent.com](http://www.mihiddentalent.com) .

### **School gun violence: public health strategy announced.**

Recently, National Public Radio (NPR) covered a eight point public health strategy to reduce school gun violence. NACBHDD has signed on to this eight point strategy. Read more at:

<https://www.npr.org/sections/ed/2018/03/07/590877717/experts-say-here-s-how-to-prevent-the-next-school-shooting>

### **Optimism on White House Opioid Summit expressed by NACBHDD**

Below is an excerpt from a recent article in Behavioral Healthcare Executive, providing insight into the White House’s recent Opioid Summit. The insight is shared by Ron Manderscheid, PhD, Exec Dir, NACBHDD and NARMH.

On Thursday, I had the opportunity to participate in the White House Opioid Summit held in the East Room. This event represented the very first time that the administration has described its strategy for addressing the opioid tragedy. A workable national strategy is essential because opioid addiction has evolved into a major public health emergency during the past several years.

The written welcome from President Trump set the tone, “My Administration is committed to fighting the drug epidemic and to helping to get treatment for those in need—for those who have been so terribly hurt. Too many families and communities in America have been affected by this terrible affliction. It is robbing so many of their potential. But we can and will break the cycle, and your tireless efforts motivate us to keep up the fight.”

Read more at: <https://www.behavioral.net/blogs/ron-manderscheid/prescription-drug-abuse/white-house-opioid-summit>

### **HMA announces fall conference on publicly-sponsored healthcare**

Health Management Associates (HMA) recently issued a “save the date” announcement for its 2018 Conference on Trends in Publicly Sponsored Healthcare. That announcement is provided below.

Medicaid in an Era of Community Engagement and Shared Responsibility: Opportunities and Pitfalls for Payers, Providers and States  
October 1-2, 2018  
The Palmer House, Chicago

HMA's 2018 Conference on Trends in Publicly Sponsored Healthcare to Address Community Engagement and Shared Responsibility in Medicaid

This is HMA's third annual conference on trends in publicly sponsored healthcare. Last year's event in Chicago brought together more than 400 executives from health plans, providers, state and federal government agencies, community-based organizations, and others serving Medicaid beneficiaries and other vulnerable populations. It was a collaborative, high-level event featuring more than 35 speakers and representing the interests of a broad-based constituency of healthcare leaders.

This year's meeting will deliver a sharp focus on the challenges and opportunities Medicaid-focused organizations face in an evolving federal and state regulatory environment. Additional details, including a complete agenda, will be available in the weeks ahead.

Questions and Information on Sponsorship Opportunities can be directed to Carl Mercurio [cmercurio@healthmanagement.com](mailto:cmercurio@healthmanagement.com) (212) 575-5929

### **TBD Solutions announces management training**

Below is a recent announcement, from TBD Solutions, of its upcoming management training offering;

TBD Solutions is hosting its next *Practicing Effective Management* training at Crossroads Conference Center in Grand Rapids. I have attached our flyer which gives all of the registration details.

TBD Solutions presents: ***Practicing Effective Management: A Two-Day Training for Improving Results and Retention*** on April 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at Crossroads Conference Center in Grand Rapids. This training is applicable for all levels of management.

- Learn meaningful tools for workplace success
- Increase individual and team productivity
- Enhance your effectiveness as a supervisor
- Discover the essential management toolkit components

12 CEUs are available for Social Workers.

Since 2016, over 150 managers have been trained from 35 PIHP, CMH, and provider organizations.

Learn more or register at [www.picatic.com/PEMApril2018](http://www.picatic.com/PEMApril2018). The training is filling up quickly!”

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

## **Upcoming DHHS Committee Meetings**

### **Senate DHHS Budget Committee**

Committee: Senate Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee

Location: Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower, 124 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933

Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Time: 2PM

Agenda 1. Medicaid and HMP – Kathy Stiffler

2. Public Testimony

### **House DHHS Budget Committees**

No House meeting this week.

## **NATIONAL UPDATE**

### **Trump Announces More Action on Opioids at Summit**

Last Thursday, the White House held an Opioid Summit to discuss the Administration’s strategy for tackling the ongoing opioid crisis, which claimed more than 64,000 American lives and accounted for roughly two-thirds of drug overdose deaths in 2016. During his remarks, President Trump said, “The Administration is going to be rolling out policy over the next three weeks, and it will be very, very strong.” There was limited discussion of specific proposals, but it is expected the White House may bolster law enforcement agencies to carry out opioid-related activities.

At the Summit, attendees heard from administration officials, including the Surgeon General Jerome Adams, Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy Jim Carroll, HHS Secretary Alex Azar, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, and others. While some advocates have said the Administration’s responses have not gone far enough since the President’s declaration of a public health emergency last October, those gathered on Thursday sought to “highlight the progress the Administration has made to combat drug demand and the opioid crisis.”

Notably, Attorney General Sessions spoke about the Justice Department’s recent announcement that it will be filing a statement of interest regarding lawsuits against opioid manufacturers and distributors around the country. President Trump was not specific on which policies he will be pursuing in the coming weeks, but alluded to ramping up penalties for drug dealers.

The Summit comes at a time when many federal bodies are rolling out their own strategies to combat the epidemic. Congress is in the midst of considering multiple pieces of legislation, hearing from experts on the best ways to tackle the problem from various fronts, and committing \$6 billion over the next two years to push back. Advocates, including those from the National Council, have also been calling for investing the available funds into desperately-needed addiction treatment and recovery supports.

### **SOCIAL WORK ETHICS, ADDICTION TRAININGS FOR 2018**

Community Mental Health Association of Michigan is pleased to offer 6 Social Work Ethics, Addiction and Pain Management Trainings presented by Tom Moore, LMSW, LLP, CCS, Owner and Principal, Two Moons, LLC, on the following dates. Registration will open this week.

- March 21 - Lansing
- April 25 - Lansing
- May 30 - Lansing
- June 27 – Battle Creek/Kalamazoo Area
- July 11 - Novi/Detroit area
- August 22 - Lansing

### **EMDR Training**

Trauma Recovery/EMDR Humanitarian Assistance Programs presents Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR). EMDR Basic Training consists of Weekend I (April 11-13, 2018) and Weekend II Training. Each training event is three days of didactic and supervised practice. To complete Trauma Recovery/HAP's EMDR Training, each participant is required to complete 10 hours of consultation. Each participant/agency must arrange for consultation hours on their own, through the HAP Consultant Directory. If you have staff interested, please email [awilson@cmham.org](mailto:awilson@cmham.org) for more information.

**CMH Association committee schedules, membership, minutes, and information go to our website at <https://www.macmhb.org/committees>**

***Have a Great Weekend!***