

Minutes of the February 6, 2009 Meeting of the Advisory Board for the Juvenile Mental Health Screening, Assessment and Treatment Pilot Project

In attendance: Hon. Mary Harper; JauNae Hanger; Ryan Rhoads; Stacy Uliana; Calvin Roberson; Jason Bowser; Kristi Bruther; Arthur Carter; Jim Higdon; Conrad Slaughter; Donna Augenbergs; Dana Kenworthy; Mike Small; Marc Brown; Amy Beier; Tracey Malone; Maggie Blythe; Matt Aalsma.

By phone: Bob Bragg; Nancy Gettinger; Erika Stallworth; Lyda Abell; Jim Reagen; Dan Arendas; Even Reinhardt.

Staff participating: April Vanlonden; Amy Karozos

Next meeting date: April 3, 2009

I. Welcome and Introductions

Judge Harper called the meeting to order. The members and participants introduced themselves.

Four new pilot sites are welcomed to the project: Grant, Delaware, Howard and LaPorte Counties

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion carried: Minutes of November 7, 2008 Advisory Board meeting were approved.

III. Advisory Board Update

Motion carried: Arthur Carter, Marion County Site Coordinator, is added to the Advisory Board.

Each new pilot site will name a nominee to Advisory Board.

IV. Legislative Update

Vice-chair JauNae Hanger reported.

HB 1289 (Coordination of Programs serving vulnerable individuals) scheduled for vote next week. First hearing went well.

HB 1536 (Suspension of Medicaid) had a hearing. OMPP asked to meet with people behind the bill and the sponsoring legislator. Brent Kelley and Don Travis participated in the meeting. Waiting for new language on bill. Back up for vote in Judiciary on February 10th. No testimony. Amy will send draft around to Board members when JauNae gets the new language. Board members are asked to contact Judiciary if they know anyone on committee. Matt has some initial data to show how any kids are Medicaid eligible that are in detention.

Motion carried: Juvenile Mental Health Screening, Assessment and Treatment Pilot Project Advisory Board supports the passage of HB 1536 with the understanding that we will be looking at new language.

V. Committee Reports

Mental Health Committee Nothing to report. Need new sites to add representative. No next meeting scheduled.

Long Term Funding Committee: Amy Karozos reported. Committee's request for modification of Indiana's Medicaid policy, sent to OMPP last fall, was distributed to Judiciary Committee as information regarding the issue of suspension vs. termination of Medicaid eligibility for youth in detention. No next meeting scheduled.

Data Collection Committee: Matt Aalsma reported. Matt applied for a JAGB grant to do a follow up study for youth screened.

The Advisory Board approved an MOU that allows Matt and IU to receive project data. Matt's intern is working on this.

Have one years worth of data, but some patches are missing.

Confidentiality and Information Sharing No report. Amy Applegate will receive recognition plaque.

VI. Pilot Site Reports

Johnson: Kristi Bruther reported. Number of assessments is down. Johnson Co. is applying for a JABG grant to get QUEST.

Marion County: Arthur Carter reported. Have MAYSI information in. Biggest issue is the follow up data. Working with Quest and wants to make it available to Midtown. April met with Midtown. Marc Brown, Quest administrator in porter Co. offers to help with the information on Quest. In January, Marion County did 375 to 400 MAYSI 2 screens.

Porter County: Amy Beier reported. About 16% of youth needed follow up. Going well. Good connections with providers. Payment is perhaps in question.

Clark County: Lyda Abell reported. Apologized for delay in follow up data. Just under 1000 MAYSI 2 screens for the year. April states that Clark County has given her the most recidivism data of any non-quest county.

Bartholomew County: Jason Bowser reported. Had 27 MAYSI screens in January in detention. Starting to do a pilot to look at kids that are in drop off and looking at diversion program. Changing system to try to get more secondary services with probation more involved. Parents signing consent for release of scoring information.

Lake County: Dan Arendas reported. Data issue came up where they lost about 3 weeks of MAYSI data, but backed up information in Quest report. 1503 MAYSI 2 screens for 2008. Only recommended further follow ups for 19 youth. Dan is following up on this. He believes the low number may be because the kids are already getting services by the time they land in the detention center.

Grant County: Dana Kenworthy reported. Establishing protocols. Have local advisory board. Met in January and February.

Howard County: Tracey Malone reported. Only two new residents since February 1st. Have protocols in the works.

LaPorte County: Erika Stallworth reported. Have had 6 MAYSI 2 screens since February 1st. Protocols were e-mailed to Advisory Board prior to meeting.

Motion Carried: LaPorte County local protocols approved.

Delaware County: Ryan Rhoads reported. Finalizing protocols and getting advisory board nailed down. Board advises new sites not to overlook value of having a legislator on local advisory board.

VIII. DCS Director James Payne, guest speaker

DCS Director Payne addressed the board regarding HEA 1001. Another wave of contracts will be coming. The next wave will be primarily services and programs unique to probation.

Judge Harper discussed concerns about ability to get mental health services to kids in detention. Asks how we can maintain care needed for youth in detention. Director Payne stated have to manage it so all costs are not shifted to the state. The state will not pay for services for children in detention. He suggests local community mental health center. Will, for a time period, pay for the assessment of youth in detention and DCS will monitor those. Will monitor to see if it is being abused.

Director Payne states this is a mental health issue, asks why DMHA is not paying for this. Other options, work with Medicaid. The Medicaid issue is one over which DCS has no control.

IX. Other

Motion Carried: Advisory Board approves extending the start date of the new pilot sites MAYSI 2 screening to begin by April 1st.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Amy Karozos