Mecklenburg County Local Management Entity Consumer and Family Advisory Committee

Minutes May 21, 2009

Members Present: Ron Reeve, Steve M., William M., Chelsi S., Ken G., Kathy A., Rina F., Dorothy D., Jim W., Lora C.

Members Excused: Pat O.

Members Not Excused: Sandy D., Barbara J.

AMH Staff: Barbara Cross, Carlos Hernandez, Bill Battaile

Guest: Cathy Kocian, Suzanne Thompson

AGENDA	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION
Welcome &	■ The chair called the meeting to order.	
Introduction	 Everyone introduced themselves. 	
Agenda	■ There was a motion given and a 2 nd motion received to approve the agenda. Motion approved.	Agenda Approved
Quorum	A quorum was present.	
Public Comment	■ Jim W. gave an update from the state coalition meeting he attended. Conclusion: the state is in	
	a deficit and there will be future state cuts.	
Approve Minutes	■ The minutes were reviewed. There was a motion given and a 2 nd received to accept the minutes.	Minutes Approved
	Motion approved.	

EDUCATION		
CFAC Data Reports Bill Battaile	 Three IPRS and three Medicaid data reports were distributed and discussed. These reports are posted on the CFAC Sharepoint site. The Medicaid data contains all consumers that are served in North Carolina, not just Mecklenburg County. Ron suggested reviewing the data in depth at the August 6th Retreat. 	Refinements are needed in the reports.
NEW BUSINESS		
Cultural Competence Plan Carlos Hernandez	 Data was reviewed and discussed. The question was asked what the difference is between the Community CC Committee and the CC Committee. Carlos stated the Community Committee has stakeholders, providers, and consumers as members, where as the CC Committee is an LME Committee with staff only. The current consultant contract ends at the end of this fiscal year. Due to the budget reductions, there is no funding available to continue the contract with the consultant. The alternative is to provide funding for periodic telephone consultations when needed. The question was asked where the LME would like to see the CC plan in the next few years. Carlos stated he would like to see the providers understand cultural competence is something that should exists as good business practice. The question was asked who monitors the plan. Carlos stated the LME CC Committee manages the plan and ensures it is carried out. The LME has been giving provider support and information at no cost, so that they can understand the basics. Rina F. has offered to serve on the CCAC committee. 	• CFAC supports the plan.
CFAC Legislation	 House Bill 933 was distributed for review. 	
Ron Reeve	 Ron has written numerous people informing that CFAC does not support the bill. The majority of the CFAC's are not in support of the changes. 	
MDAC 'Employment First' Status Ron Reeve	 Data was distributed and discussed on how to shift to Employment First. Ken G. stated there will be a meeting with six employers who participate in supported employment and six employers who do not. This meeting will be to discuss supported employment and to form a leadership group to educate other employers. There was some concern with Medicaid consumers working and losing benefit dollars. It was stated if you earn over a specific dollar amount, benefits will be decreased based on the earnings This philosophy has been endorsed by the Provider Council and will be discussed at the September InfoShare meeting. 	
Mecklenburg County Public Health Forum Ron Reeve	 The topic was on Mental Health. There were approximately 300-400 people in attendance. Ron stated the message was excellent and created increased understanding of MH issues. 	

Membership Report Chelsi S.	 Chelsi stated she received an application from a consumer with a MH and SA diagnosis. The applicant will attend the June or July meeting. Still need members for SA, MH, and DD. 	 Ron asked the committee to seek new members
QMC Report Ken G.	 QMC is in the process of revising current policies to include the required URAC verbiage to meet the standard. 	
Ken G.	 The next First Responder Survey will be conducted in September or October. 	
	There is a new quality improvement project to increase involvement with Latinos.	
SCFAC Survey	The survey was distributed for review and discussion.	Ron will
Response	■ The committee reviewed the survey questions and agreed on an overall response.	submit the
Ron Reeve		survey online.
LME UPDATE		
Needs Assessment	Data was distributed and discussed on the needs identified. Ron asked the committee to select 10	
Report	items they felt were most important. Selections were made and the data was submitted to Ron.	
Ron Reeve	 Data was distributed and discussed on the continuum of recovery and self determination. Ron 	
	asked the committee to rank the service need by priority $1-7$. Selections were made and the data was submitted to Ron.	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	CFAC Retreat – Freedom Park, Thursday, August 6 th from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm	
NEXT MEETING	June 18, 2009	
FUTURE AGENDAS	System of Care, Jail Diversion, Supported Employment, Peer to Peer Programs, Best Practices Update	(Quarterly),
	Regional Crisis Plan, NC TOPPS	
ADJOURNMENT	7:35 pm	
Ron Reeve, Chair of Cor	nsumer & Family Advisory Committee Date	