

## **COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

### **Adult Mental Health Committee**

*Purpose:* The Adult Mental Health Committee's purpose is to assist the Dauphin County Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities Advisory Board in planning and evaluation of service delivery. The Adult Mental Health Committee works with County staff, providers, advocates, families, and individuals in the development of environments that create hope and belief that a future of community involvement and fulfillment is possible for persons living with mental illnesses. The Adult Mental Health Committee supports recovery for individuals in Dauphin County who are living with mental illnesses.

- Ongoing review of data and activities related to the County Adult Mental Health Program and HealthChoices and making recommendations based upon the review.
- Developing and conducting an assessment of mental health services as a means of evaluating readiness for and implementation of recovery-oriented services and supports.
- Serving as a forum for information sharing for the Community Support Program (CSP) Committee and other interested stakeholders.

*Meeting Schedule:* Committee meets the third Monday of each month at 12:00 noon.

*Location:* 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Provider Involvement:* Provider involvement is limited to 20 percent of the Committee membership, although a larger percentage attends. Consumers, families and providers participate. The Committee is chaired by an MH/ID Board member.

### **MH/AAA Coordination Team**

*Purpose:* The MH/AAA Coordination Team purpose is to carry out the Memorandum of Understanding between the County's MH/ID Program and Area Agency on Aging through coordinated arrangements for jointly served individuals aged 60 and older and having mental illness.

*Meeting Schedule:* Team meets quarterly the fourth Wednesday of the month.

*Location:* 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Dauphin County MH, Area Agency on Aging, Crisis Intervention, MH Adult providers

### **Shelter Plus Care Interagency Meeting**

*Purpose:* Shelter Plus Care is a program which was created in order to provide affordable housing to individuals diagnosed with a severe mental health illness able to independently live in the community Section 8 housing, with assistance provided by the community wrap-around services. The purpose of this meeting is to review cases of individuals already receiving Shelter Plus Care housing/services, and to present new cases to the attention of the Dauphin County Housing Authority representative.

*Meeting Schedule:* Monthly, every second Thursday

*Location:* CMU, 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Dauphin County MH, CMU, Keystone Mental Health Services, NHS/Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team, and VOA.

### **Adult Mental Health Provider Meetings:**

*Purpose:* The focus of this group is to discuss the quality of and access to Adult MH Services within the Dauphin County provider network and the exchange of program information.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets every other month the second Tuesday of the month.

*Location:* 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Providers are encouraged to send a representative to every meeting. CABHC and PerformCare also periodically attend.

### **Pharmacy Therapeutic Review Committee (PTRC)**

*Purpose:* The Pharmacy Therapeutic Review Committee's purpose is to assure all consumers have adequate access to prescribed medications; and to review and make recommendations to the MH Program based on data and input provided to the Committee regarding formulary additions or exclusions to prescription formulary.

*Meeting Schedule:* The Committee meets quarterly on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m.

*Location:* PPI 2501 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Representatives from the County MH Program, providers, a consulting psychiatrist, pharmacist, and the prescription plan administrator.

### **Wellness Initiative**

*Purpose:* The Dauphin County Wellness Initiative was created in 2007 as a result of a review of unusual incidents among Dauphin County's population with serious mental illness, whose physical health poses ongoing concerns. This committee's goal is to implement activities, events, and policy changes which would in the long run positively affect the physical health of all Dauphin County residents receiving MH/ID services.

*Meeting Schedule:* Every other month on the second Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.

*Location:* 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Dauphin County MH, CMU, Keystone Community MH Services, Edgewater/NHS, Elwyn, Northwestern Human Services, Community Services Group, Volunteers of America, AmeriHealth Caritas, PerformCare.

### **Children's MH Committee of MH/ID Advisory Board:**

*Purpose:* The Children's Mental Health Committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Board on issues related to planning and evaluating child and adolescent mental health programs and service needs, in accordance with a philosophy which is child-centered, family-focused and collaborative with other child serving systems.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets the third Thursday of every other month from September through May from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

*Location:* Panera Bread on Union Deposit Road Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Provider involvement is limited to 20 percent of the total committee membership. The committee is interested in increasing family and community membership. Children and Youth, Juvenile Probation and school districts are represented on the Committee.

### **Children Services Task Force (CSTF):**

*Purpose:* CSTF each fall topics identifies and areas of discussion related to children and families that they would like to learn more about throughout the year. A portion of each meeting is dedicated to the selected monthly topic of discussion and information sharing and updates.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets the third Thursday of every other month from October through June from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

*Location:* Panera Bread, Union Deposit Road Harrisburg

*Involvement:* This group is open to all Children's MH Providers and any local community organizations that serve children and families.

### **Children's Mental Health Provider Meetings:**

*Purpose:* The focus of this group is to discuss the quality of and access to Children's MH Services within the Dauphin County provider network. FBMHS providers meet during the first hour as a group, then all providers meet.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets every 8 weeks.

*Location:* 1100 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Providers are encouraged to send a representative to every meeting. CABHC and PerformCare also attend.

### **Upper Dauphin Children's Mental Health Provider Meetings:**

*Purpose:* The focus of this group is to discuss the quality of and access to Children's MH Services within the Upper Dauphin area.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets every other month usually on the third Friday of that month at 9:00 a.m.

*Location:* Dauphin County Northern Dauphin Human Services Building 295 State Drive in Elizabethville

*Involvement:* Providers are encouraged to send a representative to every meeting. School districts and Children and Youth representatives attend. Community agencies such as the YWCA also participate.

### **Double Trouble Steering Committee Meetings:**

*Purpose:* The focus of this group is to assure there are adequate meeting and activities provided to address the needs of individuals with co-occurring disorders.

*Meeting Schedule:* This group meets on quarterly basis, the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

*Location:* Midtown Scholar 1302 N. Third Street Harrisburg

*Involvement:* Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol Providers are encouraged to attend as well as consumers.

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Contact County MH/ID Program Office for updated information @ 780-7050.