

**California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA)
Older Adult System of Care Committee
Meeting**

**CMHDA
2125 19th Street
Sacramento, CA 95818**

M E E T I N G R E P O R T

Date & Time: December 1, 2011, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Attendees: Heather Anders, *CMHDA*; Manuel Aybar (via conf. line), *San Bernardino*; Jennifer Bransford-Koons, *San Diego APS*; Viviana Criado, *CEMHAC*; Michael Gardner, *CMHPC*; Rosalind Garner, *Sacramento*; Bruce Gurganus, *Marin*; Ken Huntley, *Stanislaus*; Don Kingdon, *CMHDA*; Patty Lyons, *Marin*; Debra Moreno, *Kings*; Michele Peterson, *CCCMHA*; Lupe Rosas (via conf. line), *San Bernardino*; Lillian Schaechner, *Alameda*; Joe Sebastian, *Riverside*; Kevin Tsang (via conf. line), *Los Angeles*; Janet Yang, *Center for Aging Resources*

Topics of General Discussion:

- CMHDA Report
 - Medi/Medi Update
 - Don Kingdon reported on the latest regarding the Short-Doyle Medi-Cal II program.
 - Dr. Kingdon noted that rehabilitation and case management will no longer need to be claimed for denial.
 - Providers in the counties will need to apply for Medicare certification.
 - The state is still working on what the Palmetto refusal really means.
 - People who are waived (MFTs and others) will get moved through the system.
 - Counties are experiencing significant delays in claim payments and this is due to the Short-Doyle II process.
 - Many of the Medi/Medi issues have been solved on the surface.
 - Report from CMHDA's Governing Board Strategic Planning Meeting
 - It was reported that the strategic planning meeting took place in November in Sacramento.
 - At the meeting each of CMHDA's committees reviewed their accomplishments.
 - Some of the major issues that were discussed included Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) and the transition of DMH and AOD to DHCS.
 - Report on the C4A Conference
 - It was noted that for the past few years the OASOC Committee has been involved with the conference.
 - At the last conference, which took place in November, there were five workshops that were focused on mental health.
 - Kevin Tsang e-mailed his report on the conference: The California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (C4A) 2011 Annual Partnership Conference was held at the Downtown Los Angeles Marriott from November 14 to 16.
 - CMHDA-OASOC sponsored (5) workshops this year on various topics including: (1) 3-hour Intensive Workshop on Care System Integration: Policies and Opportunities, (2) Evidence Based Mental health Programs Addressing Depression; (3) State Strategies For Addressing Geriatric Mental Health; (4) Spirituality and Aging; (5) Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR), a Suicide Prevention Training Program.
 - The workshops were well attended with positive feedback from the attendees.
 - Before C4A begins to plan the next conference, the CMHDA OASOC Committee can provide some ideas for conference workshops.

- A suggestion was to work on having a northern California conference with C4A and possibly partner with the Sacramento annual conference.
- CalMHSA Update
 - It was reported that CalMHSA has contracted with RAND Corporation to look at the different statewide projects, including suicide prevention.
 - Heather Anders will invite Ann Collentine to the February in-person meeting to talk about CalMHSA PEI projects and how older adults are involved in those.
- Update on WET Issue Paper
 - Small County Project
 - Viviana Criado reported that they are working on improving education of providers.
 - They will follow-up with various partners.
 - It was also reported that this project is being worked on with the California Mental Health Planning Council's Human Resources Committee.
 - They recently held an in-person meeting at the Geriatric Education Center in Los Angeles.
 - They discussed implementing this project for older adults.
 - The training will be topic specific and participants will be able to provide services they learn about.
 - There will also be long term capacity training.
 - They will begin to look for outside funding for the project.
 - They will present at the CMHPC's meeting in San Diego in January.
 - They are also looking at doing a pilot project.
 - Heritage Clinic and Pacific Clinic are both interested partners.
 - Geriatric Mental Health Course
 - Janet Yang reported that with CIMH, they did eight webinars and Dr. Yang used one of her FSP networks to do another webinar.
 - Over all, 400 people joined the class and about 300 people participated in the hoarding webinar and the rest of the webinars averaged about 100-130 people.
 - Some of the feedback they received was that people wanted further information on ethics, working with difficult clients, and a few others.
 - During the webinars, people typed in questions, so the webinars were not very interactive.
 - The webinars are available to view on CIMH's website and Janet Yang will e-mail the video links to Heather Anders for distribution to the committee.
- Regional Reports and County MHSA Updates, Budget News
 - Central
 - Ken Huntley noted that he is interested in having an older adult manager's forum meet on a quarterly basis and they can discuss how to support one another.
 - Sacramento
 - It was reported that Michelle Callejas is now CPS Deputy Director for the county.
 - They are rolling out a suicide prevention collaborative and older adults are included in one of the contracts.
 - Bay
 - Lillian Schaechner will be involved with the bay area group.
 - It was noted that they recently met with Kimberly Mayer on workforce issues.
 - Los Angeles
 - Kevin Tsang provided the following e-mail report:
 - LAC-DMH OASOC is participating in the Inter-Rater Reliability Study of the Milestones of Recovery – Older Adult Version (MORS-OAV) as a statewide joint effort. A special training conducted by Mental Health America – Los Angeles (MHA-LA) on the process and protocol of the study has been scheduled to take place in February. (3) Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funded providers will participate in this study.
 - On November 16, a countywide training was conducted on the use of the Mini-Mental State Exam (MMSE) for older adult providers. Dr. Marshall Flostein, co-author of the tool, was the key presenter on the design and applications of the MMSE screening tool. Additionally, Dr. Janet Anderson-

- Yang, Clinical Director of the Heritage Clinic, presented on the integration of the tool in service delivery and practices.
 - LAC-DMH is a participating agency of an inter-departmental taskforce led by the County's Department of Community & Senior Services (CSS) to discuss and develop action plans on the impacts of the elimination of the adult day health centers (ADHC). Regular meetings are held to address these complex issues resulting from the pending ADHC closures.
 - Southern
 - Manuel Aybar reported that he and Maria Coronado are working with Joe Sebastian and Viviana Criado on re-starting the regional meetings.
 - They will begin to meeting in January 2012 and they will invite the Area Agencies on Aging to their meetings.
- Association/Agency Reports
 - CMHPC
 - It was reported that Jane Laciste (formerly at DMH) is the new director.
 - S 525 – The CMHPC Older Adult Committee has approved that they support this. Michael Gardner will send the legislation to Heather Anders for distribution to the committee.
 - CEMHAC
 - It was reported that they celebrated their second anniversary and they had a consultation to determine their future goals.
 - Some of their goals include:
 - CEMHAC has determined that the OAC needs to have an older adult advocate.
 - They will work on a training curriculum.
 - They will work with the Legislature on the re-establishment of the MHSA.
 - APS
 - It was reported that they have been realigned along with so many other programs.
 - There is no federal mandate indicated that APS needs to exist.
 - There was a report on SB 718 which allows for mandated reporters to make reports online.
- News Business
 - The Geriatric Mental Health Licensure subcommittee was established to gather information regarding geriatric mental health coursework and continuing education requirements for LCSW, MFT and LPCC1 applicants and licensee renewals. Subcommittee members include: Viviana Criado, Rosalind Garner, Michael Gardner, Lin Benjamin, Slettie Jones and Shirley Krohn.
- Committee Housekeeping Business and Plan January's Conference Call Agenda
 - The next CMHDA OASOC Committee Conference Call is January 26, 2012, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
 - Agenda for January's Conference Call:
 - Budget/Legislative Report
 - Medi/Medi Report (Don Kingdon)
 - CalMHSA Update
 - Committee Business
 - County Reports
 - Agency and Association Reports

List of Recommendations/Decisions/Motions:

- Minutes from the October 27, 2011 conference call were reviewed and approved.

Task List:

- Heather Anders will invite Ann Collentine to the February in-person meeting to talk about CalMHSA PEI projects and how older adults are involved in those.

- Janet Yang will e-mail the Geriatric Mental Health Course webinar video links to Heather Anders for distribution to the committee.
- Michael Gardner will send the S 525 legislation to Heather Anders for distribution to the committee.

The next Committee Conference Call for the Older Adult System of Care Committee will be held:

January 26, 2012

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

The conference call line will be distributed via e-mail