



RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Task Force Co-Chairs: Marty Boldin/Kevin Irwin

April 14, 2017

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Agenda/Notes

Attendees:

In-Person: Kevin Irwin, Marty Boldin, Cheryle Pacapelli, Donna Marston, Kristine Paquette, Carolee Longley, Holly Cekala, Katy Shea, Debbie Love, Dean Lemire, Courtney Tanner, Dianne Pepin, Jim Doherty, Cheri Bryer, Tim Zalc, Melissa Crews, Elizabeth Curry Miller

By Phone: Sandi Coyle, Polly Morris, Sue Gordon, Susan Latham, Liz Hennig

Welcome & Introduction

Updates from Priority Areas:

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| Introductions | Kevin Irwin | | | Went around table with introductions |
| Co-Chair Update | Kevin Marty Boldin | 3/10 Minutes Review for Approval | Minutes approved | |
| Legislative Updates | Marty Courtney Tanner | | | <p>Marty spoke about HB2 changes regarding experience requirements for MLADCs for Tx. He mentioned a closed meeting being held next Monday. There will also be a similar meeting held on the 20th or 21st for requirements specific to Recovery Support. NH DSRIP also seeks to address a variety of potential licensure and regulatory changes in Behavioral Health, not just SUD services.</p> <p>Courtney indicated that there is a 158 hearing next Tuesday (related to removing prior authorization to becoming an MAT provider and enticing providers to become MAT providers by reducing the administrative burden that goes with that.) This bill would establish that health insurance carriers not require utilization review more frequently than every 12 months (a change from 24 months). Courtney also indicated that the 157 Hearing follows the 158 hearing (applicable to Continuum of Care and notifying insurance carrier that recovery person is allowed to go outside of network for services if they can't find Tx in network.) There was discussion</p> |

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| | Kevin | | | <p>specific to “reasonable amount of time to find care in network and what “time” is defined as. Courtney to review administrative rules and get back to group on that definition.</p> <p>SB234, which authorizes Syringe Services Programs in NH, was passed out of the Senate (with one amendment that prohibits programs operating within 1,000 feet from schools), is now in House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee.</p> |
| House Guidelines | Cheryle Pacapelli | | Cheryle indicated that housing guidelines were given to Marty to be forwarded to Tym. She was told that was all that was needed. | The committee is no longer meeting unless there is a need to. |
| Recovery Coalition | Holly Cekala | | | <p>Holly indicated that this coalition is needed in NH and that there should be a mechanism to facilitate discussion among Recovery Support Service providers. The value of the coalition would be to pass on information and provide advocacy efforts – it was asserted that this is something the Task Force currently cannot do. Holly feels this task force (TF) is meant to vet issues for a broader collective, where the coalition would be more peer-led and peer-driven. Kevin reminded the TF that the primary objective of the TF was to give voice to the recovery community, and that a coalition is not conceptually a separate endeavor but should be mutually supportive.</p> <p>Discussion centered on who could serve on this group and how this TF can meet their objective of supporting the recovery support services. Courtney offered to work with Holly to organize/create meeting/invitation for those to invite to table, provide a location, and assist with creating the structure of what this meeting would look like. Suggestions included making sure this was held “after work” in a more informal setting and identify what this group would do and how it relates to the objectives of this task force. Kevin created a matrix of questions to help</p> |

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| | | | | <p>guide the forming of this coalition. Kevin to re-send to Holly and copy Courtney. Those interested in participating on the coalition are: Carolee, Tim, Christine, Donna, Dean, Melissa, Kevin, Elizabeth, Sandi, Polly and Holly.</p> |
| Data Discussion | Katy Shea | | <p>Four meetings have happened over the last three months to develop tools to measure recovery supports. A framework has been worked out of what services look like and what expected outcomes are. Took all info and developed a series of tools to monitor services and measure bigger outcomes (i.e. decrease in ER visits, stabilize housing, reduce use, etc.) as well as tools to measure outcomes related to building recovery capital. The tools were approved by Joe Harding.</p> | <p>The Facilitating Organizations and sub-contracted and state funded RCOs have been meeting. Next steps are to work with a data system that all can use and protocols to use tools and collect data. All developed tools are just on paper now. Then will pilot the tools at possibly two sites. Marty indicated that we need to make sure that data collection is as user-friendly as possible. Some measures are non-negotiable due to state/federal guidelines. He stressed that there is no need for over-angst as data is an issue for everyone and we are not far behind the curve as many are. There will be many of us at the table and providers will be heard since data is a critical piece.</p> |
| Prioritizing Recommendations | | | | <p>The task force members took time to rank the Priority Area Recommendations and the Recommended State Plan Strategies to assess what Kevin and Marty will address in their 5 minute elevator speech with the Governor during the May 5 Gov. Commission Retreat (see table following minutes for rankings). Katy indicated that although ranking these items – nothing needs to “fall off” the list. There was discussion on how to rank – and not to focus on what is funded or isn’t but what the choice should be if you only had to pick one. Results of the rankings had Workforce and Addressing Social Determinants tied as top priority, followed by expanding resource and supports for underserved populations as the 2nd choice, Public education and awareness as 3rd and Building Data as 4th. <i>Recommended</i></p> |

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| | | | | <p><i>tasks were reordered by rank on the draft that follows these minutes.</i></p> <p>Melissa Crews brought up that she will be emailing Treatment TF regarding there being no priority listed that addresses the need for immediate crisis care.</p> <p>Donna Marston also voiced her frustration around funding not going to parents who could use the financial support for their children seeking treatment/recovery who are forced to seek services out-of-state.</p> |

Next Meeting: May 12, 2017 9:00 am – 11:00 am
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