



Alamance Caswell Provider Network Council Meeting
March 24, 2016 from 10:30am - 12:30pm
AC COC • Burlington • NC 27215

Attendees:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Lesniak- RHA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Quinn - Behavior Intervention Professionals of The Triangle |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie DuRoss - PSI | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donna Musson - OE Enterprises |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garry Wiley – Universal MH, DD, SAS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Chapman – Lindley Habilitation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Bracken – Pinnacle Family Services | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Greene – Alamance Cares (guest) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Helton – Ralph Scott Lifeservices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jodi Meacham – Cardinal Innovations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Rau – Alcohol & Drug Services | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debra Welch – Cardinal Innovations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Megan Johnson – Carter’s Circle of Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Teer – Cardinal Innovations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patty Thompson – AC CFAC Representative | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean Richardson – Cardinal Innovations (Scribe) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Wood – Trinity Behavioral Healthcare | |

Minutes:

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION, DECISION OR OUTCOME	RESPONSIBLE
1) Welcome / Introductions	Garry Wiley welcomed everyone and introductions were made. Garry welcomed new member Jennifer Helton to her first meeting on the council.		
2) Approval of last meeting minutes	Garry asked council members to review the meeting minutes of January 28, 2016. Garry made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Debbie DuRoss.	Minutes Approved.	
3 Alamance Cares, Inc. Jason Greene, Program Director	<p>Jason Greene introduced himself as the Program Director for Alamance Cares, Inc. Mr. Greene provided an overview of his non-profit agency stating they are a part of Cone Health and funded by two grants from the State and one grant from Central Carolina Health Network (CCHN). Services are provided in Alamance, Caswell and Rockingham counties. Mr. Greene noted services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV testing: confidential, no needles, no charge, results in 20 minutes • Syphilis and Hepatitis C testing by drawing blood, results in five days • Education programs for schools, churches, businesses and community organizations • Community street outreach awareness and testing events • Referrals for services • Support to caregivers of people living with HIV/AIDS • Free condoms <p>Also, provide services to people living with HIV/AIDS through homecare providers and case</p>		

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	<p>management including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistance with coordinating health care services • Community resource referrals • Assistance with education regarding HIV disease and treatment. <p>Alamance Cares office is located on 3025 S. Church Street in Burlington and has walk-in hours every Tuesday from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.</p>		
4) Discuss Provider Fair / Garry	<p>Provider Fair will be held on April 14th at the First Baptist Church of Burlington, 400 South Broad Street, Burlington from 1:00 to 4:00. Tables/chairs will be provided.</p>		
5) Update – SCFAC Ron Rau	<p>SCFAC updates from Ron Rau:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretary Brajer attended their last meeting and asked all members of the group to tell what their experiences have been with each of the LME-MCOs they have worked with. • Ron offered on behalf of this local group to take items/issues back to the SCFAC committee to bring to the attention of Secretary Brajer for discussion. He noted it is an honor and privilege to be part of SCFAC. • A lot of talk regarding mergers of the LME-MCOs. • Medicaid reform is a big issue. The department had to report to the Legislative Oversight Committee early this month and they are still on track to submit the plan to the federal government as of June 1, 2016. • One of the mandates of the SCFAC is to review gaps and needs of services across the State. • Within the Governor’s working group of substance abuse & mental health a lot of talk about the overdose/opioid problem. • As the Chair of the subcommittee Veteran’s Disability Group they will be focusing on veterans in transition. • SCFAC meets monthly in Raleigh on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. 		
6) Update – Advisory Cultural Competency Committee / Tom	<p>Tom Lesniak noted the local cultural competency provider council continues to meet monthly with the next meeting scheduled for March 30th. They continue to focus on developing the local Cultural Competence Plan for Alamance-Caswell counties and Cardinal’s cultural competency review tool. He also attends the monthly Advisory Cultural Competency Council coordinated by Revella Nesbit. Initially the review tool will be piloted specifically among providers who have designated one of their specialties as serving the LGBTQ population.</p> <p>Cardinal has developed a series of cultural competence training sessions that will be offered. The first in the series, The Ethics of Cultural Competency in Behavioral Health. Later, will be offering</p>		

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	<p>training on Provider Cultural Competence Plan and Clinical Initiatives. All trainings will be posted in the InfoSource. Effective September, the goal is for all agencies to undergo monitoring, utilizing this new tool which means it will be incorporated in their regular scheduled annual reviews.</p>		
<p>7) Updates – Cardinal Innovations</p>	<p>Jodi Meacham noted new Disclosure Forms will be sent to providers by email on March 25; forms due back to Cardinal in three weeks (by April 15).</p> <p>Debra Welch discussed the merger between Cardinal Innovations Healthcare and CenterPoint with a projection date of April 1, 2016. (this date has changed to July 1 since this meeting) Also, Secretary Brajer has not taken any action on any single county disengagement, so no definite date has been set for Nash county consolidation.</p> <p>Community offices are doing a refocus and becoming more open to the needs of the community. Community leaders will have more input into some of the decision making that is done with the county funding. Debra discussed the budget for Alamance County. She said the majority of the funding for Alamance County goes to the crisis center. She also noted it is her responsibility to make sure the commissioners understand where the needs are in the community. Alamance County contributes 1.2 million dollars a year to the MH/IDD/SUD population. A million dollars goes to the crisis center. Caswell County has 125,000 and is used for services provided in Caswell County.</p> <p>Cardinal’s community engagement staff is doing Mental Health First Aid training and distributing behavioral health information out to the community offices. Debra also noted our two conference rooms in our community office are available for providers to use.</p>		
<p>8) Provider / Agency Updates</p>	<p>Members had a discussion on Medicaid reform and how it applies to healthcare. Discussion occurred in regards to how all the groups’ involved physical health, MH/IDD/SUD, etc. would impact the LME-MCOs.</p> <p>Members discussed how Cardinal Innovations Healthcare and CenterPoint’s merger will impact the providers in regards to authorizations and IPRS funding. John Teer noted one change in regards to the IPRS funding is when Cardinal opened up all sixteen counties to all providers, with the exception of 5 services that were not included. Providers are able to accept referrals from all catchments within the CI. John noted he doesn’t know how this will be accounted for within the budget but it will be clarified by July 1, 2016. Also, Debra noted it will be more uniformed by next year.</p> <p>Members discussed Provider Electronic Health Records (EHR) as being part of the Medicaid reform. It was noted, Cardinal Innovations Healthcare assisted providers in the EHR selection by providing a list of 3 vendors for each focus group. The list included implementation fees, monthly fees, etc. This list is posted on Cardinal’s website. Also, included in the discussion was the financial burden on</p>	<p>Debra Welch will check into any possibilities of</p>	

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	providers. This piece will be challenging for some providers to purchase the software. Several members gave the names of software their agencies are using for their EHR.	funding and the timeline associated with this requirement.	
9) Discussion of workplan	<p>Garry spoke about his desire to have a “purpose” for the Council. He sees this group as being able to work through problems that are occurring for providers as a whole.</p> <p>Garry asked members for suggestions for the workplan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronic Health Records • GAP’s – Dually Diagnosed MH/DD complex needs • Autism prevalence • B3 for specialized consult • Service definitions that need modifications • Resources for Licensed Clinicians going to rural areas • Cross definition training • HB714 <p>Garry stated these were great ideas and will be bringing them to the next meeting to start working on a plan.</p>		
10) Motion to Adjourn	There being no further business, Garry Wiley made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Ron Rau.		
Next Meeting	Thursday, May 26, 2016 @ 10:30 AM		