

Community Care Program Advisory Committee Minutes

10:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Ag Auditorium, Springfield, IL

Members: Diane Drew, CHELP; Kathy Woodworth, Healthcom; Ella Grays, Gareda; Shana Holmes, Southeastern Illinois Area on Aging; Louis Prado, ADT; Stephanie Garrigan, Philips Lifeline; LaShun James, Addus; Cary Crawford, Chicago Commons; Richard Juarez, Lawndale ADS; Bill Wheeler, ICCCU; Kevin Cosgrave, Guardian Medical Monitoring; Greg Kyroutac, SIU School of Medicine; David Lukens, VRI; Lubertha Mercer, HCI; Joanne Glenn, Comprehensive Quality Care; Terri Harkin, SIEU; Bob Spaulding, Healthcare Plus Senior Care; Tammy Tenton, Premier Home Health; Brycie Wilson, Alternatives CCU; Lori Pence, Central Illinois Area Agency; Mary Lee Tomsa, DuPage CCU; Theresa Collins, Senior Services Plus; Lori Hendren, AARP; Jane Stansell, Adults over 60.

Illinois Department on Aging: Director Bohnhoff; Jennifer Reif; Anna O'Connell; Lauren Shiliga; Robin Morgan; Mary Gilman; Sally Lisnek; Kathleen Michals; Joe Gardner; Jose Jimenez; Lora McCurdy; Becky Ward

By Telephone: Jeannie Moccio, DuPage CCU; Peter Valessares, Hellenic Foundation; Susan Real, East Central IL CCU; Amy Lucas, Livingston Co. Health Dept.; Tara Russo, DeKalb County CCU; Tonia Oberg, ECCOA CCU; Louie Prado, ADT; Bette Schoenholtz, Senior Services Associates CCU; Yolanda Kirk, Alternatives CCU; Amy Lucas, Livingston Co. Health Dept.; Marsha Nelson, Shawnee Alliance CCU;

Guests: Becky Edwards, Macon County CCU; Kristin McCracken, AMAC; Mary Killough, Gareda; Elena Floria, EAA; Linda Hubbard, ECCOA CCU; Terri Belville, Schuyler Counseling and Health; Debbie Driscoll, Schuyler Counseling and Health; Betty DeGroot, Cass Co. Mental Health; Jean Jones, Cass County Mental Health; Lindsay Snelling, ACM CCU

Welcome and Introductions:

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 am by Jose Jimenez and roll call was taken.

There was discussion regarding the CCPAC Co-Chair position and a motion and second were made for Diane Drew's continuance as the CCPAC Co-Chair. Members voted for Diane to continue as the 2018 CCPAC Co-Chair.

The 2018 CCPAC meeting dates were announced and indicated on the agenda.

It was mentioned the September 26, 2017 and October 24, 2017 minutes would be motioned for approval by CCPAC members during this meeting, after the lunch break.

Public Comments:

None.

Department Reports:

Legal Division Report (Rhonda Armstead)

There was a status update on Administrative Rules pending in JCAR: Admin. Rule revisions regarding the fatality review team is still in the first notice phase; Admin. Rule revisions regarding self-neglect are still in the first notice phase and is scheduled to expire in early January. The Automated Medication Dispenser Admin. Rules have been approved and will be adopted into CCP Admin. Rules.

The timeline for pending Admin. Rules cannot be determined for sure, as the process for comments and adoption phases of the Admin. Rules can sometimes be a lengthy process.

Fiscal Division Report (Anna O'Connell)

The fiscal report Excel spreadsheet was distributed and will be emailed to those on the phone, after the meeting.

It was indicated the Comptroller's Office is working to release all FY17 vouchered payments which may include backlogged APS, CCU and AAA payments. FY18 payments have been going released on a regular cycle, and to date, the Comptroller's Office has indicated over 55 million dollars of vouchered payments have been released to payees. It was noted that all agency payees may be experiencing outstanding balances due to the General Revenue Fund (GRF) backlog.

Pending FY17 payments will be subject to prompt pay interest; however, the Fiscal Division is unable to determine the total amount of interest due. The commitment for Human Resources payments appears to be adequate at this time; however, funding and appropriations are subject to change at any time.

GATA Update (Joe Gardner)

Information was provided regarding Federal GATA registration/renewal requirements, GATA grantee portal and steps and requirements for GATA registration renewal.

It was mentioned that to keep the SAM Cage Number active, the GATA registrant must log into their account on the SAM.gov website at least once a year (365 days from the date of account registration). A requirement for SAM registration this year includes assigning a "role" to your entity; assigning a role is a new requirement this year and SAM.gov has a good user guide and a FAQ and a link to chat.

Another requirement for GATA includes your entity's Secretary of State (SOS) status being in "good standing" status. If a GATA grantee was registered before there was a datalink to the SOS status, you can log onto the GATA Grantee Portal and select an organization type. If there is an SOS file ID then it will correct the SOS status.

The GATA portal will show your entity's registration issues in red and if you click on the red wording, it will indicate the problem issues.

Another update for the GATA portal requirements for this year are the “Fiscal and Administrative Controls”. A GATA requirement includes an FY18 ICQ which includes sections of questions on the questionnaire.

It was mentioned that the IDoA website includes a link to GATA. An email with the list of steps for renewing GATA registration, as well as Joe Gardner’s contact information will be sent after the meeting.

SHIP Update (Sandy Leith)

2018 Medicare calendars and new Medicare mini handouts were available for CCPAC attendees to take to their sites.

Medicare Part D open enrollment ends on December 7th at midnight. It was noted that this year some Medicare Part D companies may have revised their plans that may include changes to their plan tiers offers of free drugs, deductibles, generics, preferred pharmacies, etc. It is important for enrollees to check the drugs on their plan prior to the end of Medicare Part D open enrollment.

Currently, Medicare/Medicaid dual eligible beneficiaries are able to change plans from month to month and are open to “choice” through Medicare.

Reminder: new Medicare cards will begin to be issued to Medicare beneficiaries in April 2018. The new cards will not include social security numbers or gender. There will be approximately 56 million Medicare beneficiaries being issued new Medicare cards and it will take a year for new cards to be distributed to everyone. Medicare card fraud is being cautioned as the new cards will be sent through the US mail.

Planning, Research, Training and Development Update (Lora McCurdy)

The AMD rules have been adopted and the AMD application will be available on the IDoA website soon. AMD providers will be approved based on the “All Willing and Qualified (AWAQ)” guidelines. It was noted that CCP participants must be offered “choice”; therefore, there must be at least two (2) providers available in the service area.

A question was asked about AMD equipment qualifications based on what is in the AMD rules. Lora indicated that application/equipment review will be subject to Department approval.

Implementation of the Critical Event Reporting System continue to make great progress since the July 12th, 2017 rollout. Compliance with this initiative has been going well and there have been approximately 11,000 reported events with unanticipated hospitalizations being the highest category of reports. The Department has been holding mandatory Critical Event Reporting regional meetings and plans to have additional meetings in other areas of the state.

The Division will be sending the CCUs 60-day compliance data, similar to the POSM and Rede Due reports. Also, there is now a recorded “Falls” training webinar which has sent to all CCUs and will be available on eCCPIS.

The Division is currently revising sections of the CCP rules to include Federal Person Centered Planning waiver requirements. An IDoA/CCU workgroup was formed to assist with the review of the CCP forms, brochures to ensure compliance.

A spring training conference is being planned and will include several training topics for the Aging network. The conference will be in central Illinois; however, the exact location and dates have not yet been set. Ideas for conference topics can be sent to aging.training@illinois.gov.

The Department sent out the annual Client Satisfaction Survey to approximately 6,000 CCP participants.

An IDoA/ADS workgroup was formed to work towards another Federal waiver requirement – one integrated Plan of Care for a participant who has CCU services in addition to adult day care services.

The Department is encouraging the CCUs to assist participants with their annual Medicaid application renewal and has made a billing code available to accommodate for the extra assistance and time. There is a report available for CCUs in eCCPIS that can provide the names of participants who have a Medicaid redetermination due. Also, a few weeks ago, HFS provided the CCUs with a training webinar regarding the ABE database system for online Medicaid applications. It was also mentioned that SHIP has a Medicaid bootcamp training available.

As the MCO statewide expansion goes into effect this year, there may be MCO questions, specifically in regard to a participant's spend down contributions. Questions can be sent to the AGING.Occs group email box. The Department is also working with HFS regarding the MCO expansion and MCO issues and questions.

A vendor was selected for the Department's rate studies of EHRS, ADS and In-Home rates. The EHRS rates will be the first rates to be reviewed by the vendor.

Home and Community Based Services Update (Jose Jimenez)

The Department had a SB 2929 follow up meeting with the hospital and nursing home associations and legislature and data and information as shared with those who attended the meeting. It was a positive meeting and we reported the hospital screens are being completed in approximately 1.4 days, even though the policy allows two (2) days. The hospital screens include screens for multiple agencies (DHS, DORS, etc.). The Department commends the CCUs on a great job. The screen reports have provided the Department with a lot of data and the process is going well.

The Division is planning a meeting next month with PSA 12 CCUs and the City of Chicago Area Agency regarding the referral process and universal intake form. Federal waiver requirements include a more person-centered approach that not only includes family members at assessments, but that all people be granted the same service timelines, regardless of demographics. It is the Department's responsibility to streamline the processes to ensure waiver compliance.

The September and October minutes were accepted by the CCPAC members.

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 pm.