

**Mayview Steering Committee  
Meeting Summary  
April 18, 2008**

**Present:** Aidan Altenor, Roberta Altenor, Leona Buckley, Kelly Burda, Tim Casey, Stephen Christian-Michaels, Mary Jo Dickson, Joan Erney, Melissa Feragotti, Mary Fleming, Katie Greeno, Shirlee Hopper Scherch, Carol Horowitz, Nancy Jaquette, David Jones, John Klenotic, Matt Koren, Pam Loaskie, Carol Loy, Brandi Mauck Phillips. Dave McAdoo, Edna McCutcheon, David Miele, Gerard Mike, Nora Novitsky, Mary Jo Patrick-Hatfield, Mary Jeanne Serafin, Wes Sowers, Laura Steiner, Janice Taper, Pat Tickle, Patricia Valentine, Valerie Vicari, Dean Virgili, Deb Wasilchak, Kim Welsh, Linda Zelch. Darryl Holts and Rick Rach

**Absent:** Paulette Benegasi, Karen Bennett, Laverne Cichon, Rohan Ganguli, Roger Haskett, Ken Thompson, Rick Tully

**Others Present:** Carol Rico, Lisa Yaffe, Pennsylvania Housing Finance Association, Sue Estroff, University of North Carolina

1. **Minutes:** Pam Loaskie made changes to the March 20, 2008 minutes and once amended, they will be posted to the website.
2. **University of Pittsburgh Evaluation Study - Update:** Katie Greeno and Sue Estroff provided an update on the progress to date on the project. The Institutional Review Board (IRB) has approved the protocol, including letters of consent and the project is now moving forward. All staff have been hired and trained, and as of April 17<sup>th</sup> they are to start new recruitment procedures. They are approaching the peer mentors involved with these consumers to ask the best way to ask both the provider and consumer if they want to be contacted. The sample for the study will be a randomly selected group of 70 people who were residing at Mayview when the closure was announced. Additional consumers will be added until 70 people in total have agreed to participate.
3. **Mayview Hospital/DPW Reports, Update on Mayview Meetings:**
  - Kelly Burda reported on the census at Mayview (160):  
Allegheny – 136  
Beaver – 11  
Greene – 0  
Lawrence – 3  
Washington – 9  
Out of catchment – 1
  - All remaining initial CSP meetings are scheduled to be completed by the first week in May. All clinical and family assessments are complete and 5 peer assessments remain.
  - Mary Jeanne Serafin reported that the RN Team is beginning to review the consumers who have been discharged within Beaver County. Four consumers were visited last week and the team continues to find ways to affect physical health management in the community, such as educating consumers on his or her primary care physicians. .

- The Family Meeting occurred at Mayview yesterday, 4/17/08. Three providers presented the small personal care home services; Northwestern Human Services, Keystone Community Health, and Resource Human Development. The presentations were well received by the family members. The next Family Meeting is 5/14/08.
- Legislative Update from April 8<sup>th</sup> – meeting went well, and they have now been moved to every other month. Mary Jeanne will provide reports moving forward. May 8<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.
- May 8<sup>th</sup> is the next scheduled Land Task Force Meeting. The group was reminded to advocate for the use of funds generated from the sale to be used to support the MH system, either residential development or other MH areas. Mary Fleming offered to attempt to get this topic added to the agenda at an upcoming Land Task Force Meeting. Carol Horowitz cautioned the committee to be aware of possible legislative attempts to attach amendments to Bill 1448 that may stop the closure.
- 414 staff remain at the hospital, 204 have placements, 14 placements in April/May, 4 waiting a start date. 192 are yet to be placed. 272 jobs have been posted in the last 30 days. 34 positions were not bid on. At this point, we are on track for full employment.
- The following information was provided to Senator Ferlo after the legislative hearing: Since 2000, there have been 761 discharges from Mayview State Hospital using CHIPP Funding (with 50 deaths, including of natural causes). This was compared to historical information from Harrisburg State Hospital.
- The forensic unit is on target to move to Torrance some time between Christmas and Thanksgiving. Mary Jeanne Serafin reported that the move date is intentionally vague.
- Washington County was recognized for the recent award it received for its Mental Health Court.

#### **4. State Operated Services Committee Report**

- 92 job positions for the SOS have been posted. Not all postings have received bids to date. Excess bids in some areas can cover bid shortfalls in other areas. SOS is on track to be staffed. Not all employees have been notified yet of their awarded positions due to staffing needs still being finalized.
- Mary Fleming reported that the location of a small group home may be possible in Carnegie. The location of the second group home is still TBD as well as the SOS office location. Placement of the other facilities is dependent on the location of the SOS LTSR. The group discussed the requirements for the placement of the SOS LTSR. Ideally it will be in a rural setting in an urban area (suburbs – southern Allegheny or Washington counties). There are many other factors to take into consideration.
- Training with the SOS CTT to start and will be ongoing.
- Mary Fleming reported that Heritage Valley Hospital in Beaver was the selected provider for the hospital-based EAC program for the suburban counties. Linda Zelch advised that the hospital contact the Department of Health, as they may need to visit the program.

Mary further reported that negotiations are underway regarding single vs. double occupancy. The review committee also recommended re-issuing another RFP for either a hospital-based or community-based EAC, with a preference for a community-based site, preferably to be located in Washington County. The next meeting is scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **5. Quality Improvement /Outcomes Subcommittee – Follow Up**

The committee is looking at how counties are monitoring the amount of contact with people who have left the facility. To establish this, four areas of focus were mentioned:

- Looking at consumers with low contacts and analyzing reasons for this.
- Increasing attention paid to work and benefits for consumers as they are discharged from Mayview.
- Follow up reporting from the Mayview nurses that are currently visiting consumers in the community, particularly focusing on those who are medically fragile.
- Reviewing Drug and Alcohol (D&A) service use – because these services could be delivered and captured within CTT billing, looking at claims for specific D&A services may not capture the actual amount of attention being paid to these issues. It was suggested that the tracking report touch on any D&A issues if they exist for a particular consumer. In addition, the counties reported on D&A services in their communities:
  - Beaver: dual recovery, drop in center, group activity, pull in those in recovery
  - Lawrence: small number of people with dual needs, several in 24 hour support care, one in independent housing, one has returned to family. The two seen by ICM have no significant need for co-occurring treatment.
  - Washington: two co-occurring out patient services not reflected in tracking. People have been identified in CSP and appointments made with agencies. Can add modifiers to diagnosis in future.
  - Greene: meets twice a month, person are diverted, they have case managers and out patient services but it needs to be addressed.

- 6. Other Business/Adjournment:** Carol Horowitz, Deb Wasilchak, and Mary Jeanne Serafin volunteered to help with the family resources and tip sheet, along with a representative from NAMI.

There being no further other business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday May 16, 2008 at the **Greentree Holiday Inn** (please note location change).