

**Mayview Steering Committee  
Meeting Summary  
May 16, 2008**

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

**Absent:** Paulette Benegasi, Karen Bennett, Laverne Cichon, Mary Fleming, Rohan Ganguli, Roger Haskett, Emily Heberlein, John Klenotic, Dave McAdoo, Ken Thompson, Rick Tully

**Guests:** Marisa Pelto, AHEDD, Roberta Altenor, Leona Buckley, Pat Tickle

1. **Minutes:** No changes were made to the minutes from the April Steering Committee meeting.

2. **Mayview Hospital/DPW Reports, Update on Mayview Meetings:**

- Kelly Burda reported the following:  
Current Mayview census is (155):  
Allegheny – 132  
Beaver – 11  
Greene – 0  
Lawrence – 3  
Washington – 8  
Westmoreland – 1

Four discharges are expected are expected by next week. All remaining assessments are complete, and all initial CSP's are to be complete by next week with 8-9 meetings a day.

Mayview staff continues to do a great job supporting CSP work while maintaining patient treatment and service to clients.

- Mary Jeanne Serafin reported:

All staff employment bids are expected to be awarded today, this refers to by State Operated Services. This has been a complicated process but is close to completion.

Two nurses currently on the Community Assessment Team that monitors physical health issues for those discharged in the community have agreed to be on the SOS CTT.

The Land Reuse Task Force met on 5/8.

- Dave Jones reported:

There was a Mayview family meeting on Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>. WPIC presented on its crisis program, NAMI was also in attendance. The meeting went well with lots of interaction and questions from the families. The next family meeting will be on June 18.

The budget review meeting in took place in Harrisburg. There were few questions and a sense of confidence that the project is proceeding well.

Next week starts the contractual placement process for the state – consideration moves into mandated staffing. When this starts, all placements and positions with the state will be frozen and remaining staff will be placed in the remaining positions. So far, 90 positions have been filled for SOS, 52 for grounds maintenance, 30 are expected to retire, and 30 are identified for other placement. 180 have yet to be placed. The state is expecting to place about 30 staff per month moving forward.

- Carol Horowitz asked about the impact to the clients from all of the staff changes at the hospital. Dave reported that it's been understandably difficult. However, the impact appears to be less for individuals who are involved in the CSP process. In addition, the staffing changes have not been evenly distributed within certain departments, therefore reallocation of staff internally also occurs. This is expected to continue throughout the closure. Dave added that there has been no history of increased incidents at the hospital due to the impact of staff changes. Further, the experience gained from the closure of the Harrisburg State Hospital has helped Mayview staff know what to expect and provided insights on how to deal with this situation. Shirlee Hopper Scherch added that she has not heard of any issues from the peers working at the hospital. It's believed that this is a result of proactively keeping consumers more engaged in the process and up to date and informed on the closure through newsletters and committee meetings.
- Pam Loaskie asked about the status of staff psychiatrists at the hospital throughout the closure. Dave and Mary Jeanne responded that currently the staffing of psychiatrists looks good. Two contracted doctors have agreed to stay until the end of the closure and one will be leaving in the end of June. Two non-contracted doctors will also fill in until the end, and another non-contracted doctor has agreed to stay on as part of the SOS. A larger issue is with RN and Psych Aide coverage.
- The Steering Committee reviewed the CSP Monthly Tracking Report for April. The group noted that 4 of the 126 discharged individuals reported to have moved to a more restricted environment within the quarter. Discussion followed as to whether this might have been due to wrong CSPs or not enough support in the community. There was no indication that this was the case, or that there were any provider issues. In Allegheny, the Community Integration Team (CIT) reviews and tracks and monitors discharged individuals very closely and there has been no indication of systemic issues. Carol Horowitz asked if there was any required provider reporting or tracking. For example, it may be helpful to identify if many 302s are coming from a particular provider more consistently than other providers so the county could then investigate. Allegheny County reported that the CIT monitors this as well.

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

The identification of the LTSR site is on track. The Charleroi site can be used for both the LTSR and the SOS office space.

There will be a meeting to review the blueprint and cost estimate next week. AHCI is working to develop a way to capture claims information for the SOS and integrate into the information systems of the MRSAP counties for reporting purposes.

#### **4. Land Reuse Task Force**

The last meeting was held on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Members of the committee participated in a tour of the Mayview property.

There are approximately 100 acres of usable land.

South Fayette presented potential uses for the land; it appears that they would like to expand a park to include a parcel of the property across Mayview Road from the active areas, as well as to develop the remainder of the property for commercial, retail, and/or residential use.

The counties want to increase representation at the Land Reuse meetings to show support for a fair market sale of the property. Also discussed was the changes to Bill 1448 that include an amendment that would stop the closure.

The next meeting will take place July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Mayview conference center.

#### **5. RFP Update**

A report including residential development initiatives and projected timeframes for completion was distributed and discussed.

Allegheny provided an update on their initiatives.

The Extended Acute Care project (suburban counties) with Beaver Heritage Valley continues to progress with program negotiations. The location will have a 10 bed capacity. Seven beds will be available within two weeks of the completed negotiations; the remaining three beds will be available after site renovations, which could take up to three months.

AHCI has received one response for the RTFA RFP (suburban counties) and it is being reviewed by the proposal evaluation committee on May 22.

A second RFP for either a Hospital or Non Hospital based EAC program (suburban counties) has been issued. It was stated in the RFP that there is a preference for a Non-Hospital based EAC in Washington or Greene counties. Proposals are due June 13.

The LTSR for the suburban counties has been put on hold.

The planned release date for a RFP/RFQ for a community provider to work with the State Operated Services is August.

## **6. AHEDD Presentation**

In response to a previous request from the Steering Committee regarding exploring employment opportunities for individuals discharged from Mayview, Marisa Pelto, Area Manager from AHEDD (<http://www.ahedd.org/pittsburgh.htm>), presented on the employment support services that AHEDD may be able to offer to individuals discharged from Mayview. AHEDD supported individuals discharged during the closure of the Harrisburg State Hospital.

## **7. Family Tip Sheet**

The latest draft was distributed to the Steering Committee.

A request was made to re-email the draft tip sheet as a word document to make it easier for people to edit / provide feedback. It was suggested that the tip sheet be a booklet tabbed by county that includes the support resources that are available in each county. In addition a comment was made requesting the tip sheet refer to position and titles, and not individual names. Further, individualized packets by county were suggested.

A draft version will be available for review after the next family meeting.

## **8. Quality Improvement and Outcomes (QIO) Committee Report**

Melissa Ferragotti provided an update of the QIO committee meeting that occurred on April 30, 2008. The QIO committee appreciated the Steering Committee's response to the previously identified issues regarding co-occurring disorders and the D/A population. The QIO has requested that the Steering Committee and counties address a number of other issues, including:

- Post-discharge satisfaction surveys with families
- Placing an emphasis on employment opportunities for discharged individuals – suggestion was made to work with the Community Treatment Teams (CTT's) to encourage and support this.

The Counties agreed to respond to these areas at the next Steering Committee meeting.

## **9. Other Discussion**

- Pat Valentine is continuing to get information on concerns on neighborhood issues with drug and alcohol providers. The concerns are specific to Swissvale, they think that they are going to get a lot Mayview consumers and that it will lower land value. Also reported that this issue is being propagated through local radio station talk shows.
- Mary Jo reported on zoning delays in Verona.
- Shirlee reported negative feedback on the Mayview closure at Governor's Advisory Committee meeting; there is a misconception on CSP process. Given the various misconceptions, Carol Horowitz suggested preparing an information packet that provides accurate information on the MRSAP initiative, including service development efforts, tracking, and quality oversight/monitoring. The counties agreed to provide Carol with contacts at each of their counties to assist with this information.

- Discussion regarding the Fair Housing Act. Carol reported that provider attorneys should be representing themselves if they feel discrimination has occurred. Carol's office represents individuals, but may be able to assist providers.

There being no further other business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for **Friday June 20, 2008 at the Airport Marriott.**