



Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council

Adult Quality, Access & Policy Committee

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Agenda

Wednesday, February 20, 2013

2:30 - 4:30

Value Options 4th Floor Suite 4D Huntington Room Rocky Hill

Since many members of the Adult QAP Committee have been focused on the work for a Medicaid-supported Behavioral Health Home, this will be the first regular meeting of the committee in many months. The key purpose of this meeting will be to regroup and focus our efforts back on the primary tasks related to quality, access and policy.

- Introductions – Around the table.
- Outcomes and performance – At the December council meeting when the agencies presented the annual statistical reports (as required in legislation) many people were looking for the meaning in the numbers. As one participant asked, "Is anyone actually getting better?" Trying to answer that question is an important goal. We will discuss the challenges, identify relevant data and set next steps.
- Age Appropriate Services for Young Adults – An issue raised by the Keep The Promise Coalition. According to KTP, "young adults with mental health needs are especially vulnerable as they age out of DCF and some transition to DMHAS. There is insufficient data to evaluate the effectiveness and long term outcomes of those who transition, as well as those who do not. However, the rising number of homeless young adults raises serious concerns. The state must report on the status and outcomes of these young adults to ensure that all youth with mental health needs receive appropriate supports and services."

- Enhanced Care Clinics – An issue that seems to come up in discussions of access. Is this an important element in the adult system? Should the committee look more closely and make an informed policy recommendation?
- Consumer, Youth and Family Advisory group – Input from the committee to help this group develop key points to describe the work of the Oversight Council to outside audiences.
- Adjourn

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 @ Value Options in Rocky Hill.