

Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council

Adult Quality, Access & Policy Committee

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Co-Chairs: Paul Acker and Dr. Frank Fortunati

Meeting Summary March 12, 2019 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Crandall Room 4th Floor Suite 4D 500 Enterprise Drive, Rocky Hill, CT

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 @ 3:00 PM in the Litchfield Room, Suite 3D at Beacon Health Options, Rocky Hill, CT

Attendees: Co-Chair Paul Acker, Co-Chair Dr. Frank Fortunati, Jr., Carrie Bourdon (Beacon), Alyse Chin (DMHAS), Marcia DuFore, Kathy Flaherty, Colleen Harrington, Bonni Hopkins, Nancy Hubbard, Beth Klink, Sara Magistro, Mariette McCourt, Ann Phelan (Beacon), Kelly Phenix, Maureen Reault (DSD), Erika Sharillo (Beacon), and Ece Tek

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Co-Chair Paul Acker convened the meeting at 3:01 PM and introductions were made. He made the announcement that going forward; all committee meetings will be held at Beacon Health Options in Rocky Hill, CT either in the Litchfield Room on the third (3rd) floor or in the Crandall Room on the fourth (4th) floor (must check in on the third (3^{rd}) floor Reception first).

Review of Available Data on Treatment of Alcohol Use **Disorders: Inpatient Hospital Detox and Inpatient Freestanding**

Detox- Erika Sharillo (Beacon) and Carrie Bourdon (Beacon)



Connecticut has a 7% population of alcohol abuse within its Medicaid population compared to 14% on a national average (2017 claims data). For more information; see above icon.

Discussion of Merging Adult QAP Committee with Child/Adolescent QAP Committee

Co-Chair Frank Fortunati gave the background of the question of the merger of the Quality Committees. He said the co-chairs of the two committees had conversations and telephone calls amongst themselves on this issue. He asked the present members to give their opinions. Kelly Phenix suggested that the meeting could alternate every other month from Adult to Child/Adolescent topics. She also mentioned that by having the Adult QAP meetings at Beacon is better because it is on the Bus Green Line which would enable more consumers to attend and participate in the meetings. Co-Chair Paul Acker would like to keep the two committees separate. Beth Klink proposed that the two committees could have one or two joint meetings a year. There is an issue on how to refocus the committee on outcomes and measurable qualities. It was decided that the committee would stay independent for now and the suggestions will be recommended to the BHPOC Executive Committee for consideration.

New Business, Announcements, and Adjournment

Co-Chair Frank Fortunati thanked Carrie and Erika for their presentation. He then asked for new business or announcements. Hearing nothing else, Co-Chair Paul Acker announced the next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 in the Litchfield Room, Suite 3D at Beacon. He then adjourned the meeting at 4:32 PM.

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