

Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council

Child/Adolescent Quality, Access & Policy Committee

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Co-Chairs: Steve Girelli and Melissa Green Wednesday, December 18, 2024 2:00 PM-4:00 PM MEETING AGENDA

I. Introductions- Steve Girelli and Melissa Greene, Co-Chairs

II. Comments and Discussion from October 16, 2024 Meeting

- **III. Hospital Data Presentation-** Dan Langless, LMFT, AVP Network Management & Erika Sharillo, LCSW, SVP, Clinical Operations & Recovery-Carelon
 - Youth Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization Utilization Volume
 - Youth Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization--Discharge Delay
 - BH Emergency Department- "Stuck" Youth- Volume
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IV. ED and Inpatient Utilization: Perspectives for the Providers- Connecticut

Children's-Connie Grant, MHA, MSN, RN, NE-BC, Senior Director Emergency Department and Mental Health Services; Cristin McDermott, MD, Division Head, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, **Yale New Haven Hospital**-Kourtney Koslosky, MD, Section Chief, Psychiatric Emergency Services (ages 16+); Elizabeth McMahon, LCSW, Social Work Manager, Psychiatric Emergency Services (ages 16+); Cynthia Wilson, MD, Section Chief, Psychiatric Inpatient Services & Adolescent Psychiatric Inpatient Unit Medical Director (ages 13+); Danielle Knox, LCSW, Social Work Manager, Psychiatric Inpatient Services (ages 13+); Beth Klink, LCSW, Assistant Director, Clinical Affairs, Psychiatric Emergency and Inpatient Services; Pamela Hoffman, MD, Medical Director, Child Psychiatry, Pediatric Emergency Department; Andres Martin, MD, Medical Director, Child Psychiatric Inpatient Service; Rebecca Kaletsky, LCSW, Social Work Manager, Child Psychiatric Emergency and Inpatient Services (Pediatric ED and Child Psychiatric Inpatient Unit), **ECHN & Waterbury Health**-Thomas Czarkosky, LMFT, Regional SVP of Behavioral Health

V. CFAC Update

VI. Other Business, Announcements, and Adjournment- Steve Girelli and Melissa Green, Co-Chairs

Purpose Statement: This committee brings together family members, advocates, providers, state agencies, and other partners to maximize the combined impact of services and supports funded by Medicaid and managed by the Behavioral Health Partnership (BHP), and other grant funded services within the children's behavioral health service system. The CAQAP identifies and addresses key issues of concern to consumers and providers with a focus on enhancing quality and access to services. The committee reviews data that measure the effectiveness of the initiatives, policies, and services of the behavioral health system under the BHP and addresses the needs, strengths, and gaps in the behavioral health service system. The committee reports to the Council on findings and issues and makes recommendations within the purview of the Council's authority. The CAQAP, in collaboration with the Adult QAP Committee, also works through the Council to provide input to the State's plan for federal health care reform and other emerging mental health policy and program developments.