

**Behavioral Health Partnership  
Oversight Council  
Coordination of Care Subcommittee**

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*The Subcommittee will work with DSS, DCF, ValueOptions and the HUSKY plans to identify and monitor key issues in ensuring coordination of HUSKY member behavioral health care benefits with the benefits that remain the responsibility of DSS/ health plans. Health Plan responsibility includes primary care, specialty care and transportation services. DSS is responsible for pharmacy services starting 2/1/08 and dental services 9/1/08.*

Co-Chairs: Maureen Smith & Sharon Langer  
Meeting Summary: **March 24, 2009**

**1. Value Options**

- a. ECC Criteria
  - i. Access (to all: Urgent, emergency and routine services)
  - ii. The integration of enhanced care clinics + primary care
- b. On committee: all are pediatricians and many have an interest and/or experience in behavioral care
- c. Committee will develop guidelines for primary care and enhanced care clinics
- d. Currently, there are 78 primary care clinics that have an understanding of integration
- e. Committee has worked on the development of criteria for MOUs
- f. Most MOUs state that they are good for 1 year
- g. Committee working on a presentation to be presented in independent practices and in schools (in nurses' offices)
  - i. (SBHC?)
- h. Committee working on collaborative education
- i. A study done on integration: a hired investigator went to Hartford Hospital and received overwhelmingly positive results from the pediatricians surveyed
- j. ECC Requirements are listed online at: [www.ctbhp.com](http://www.ctbhp.com)
- k. GOALS: to introduce primary and enhanced integration, and to build upon those relationships
  - i. Not focusing on a specific plan yet
- l. The access criteria applies to all children
- m. Additionally, these plans are attracting the commercial side

**2. Managed Care Organizations - deferred**

**3. Federal/State Legislation: Sharon Langer**

- a. Sustinet board has 60 days from the day of enactment of the national universal health care plan to decide how it (Sustinet) will be affected
- b. Sharon will send out link comparing different versions of national health care from Kaiser.com
- c. People on SAGA will go on to Medicaid
- d. Possible new definition of "medical necessity" that DSS agreed to and would apply to all medical assistance programs. Human Services already passed it