
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD FOR CARE AND TREATMENT
OF PERSONS WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY
(CCDDB)
BOARD MEETING**

Minutes –March 17, 2009

*Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St.
Urbana, IL
Meeting Room 1*

8:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair; Joyce Dill, Michael Smith, Holly Jordan

STAFF PRESENT: Peter Tracy, Executive Director; Lynn Canfield, Nancy Crawford, Stephanie Howard-Gallo

OTHERS PRESENT: Patty Walters, Danielle Matthews, Felicia Gooler, Dale Morrissey, Developmental Services Center (DSC); Barb Bressner, George Roth, William Conlin, Consultants; Lynn Watson, Head Start; Connie Denmark, Glenna Tharp, Person's Assuming Control of Their Environment (PACE); Sally Mustered, Sheila Krein, Autism Society of Illinois; Ponni Nainar, CCAMR

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Joyce Dill, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

None.

CITIZEN INPUT:

None.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (CCMHB) INPUT:

The CCMHB will meet later today.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the November 18, 2008 Board meeting were included in the packet.

MOTION: Ms. Jordan moved to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2008 Board meeting as corrected. Mr. Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

None.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Tracy gave a verbal report on his activities this month. Staff have been reviewing funding applications.

STAFF REPORT:

Ms. Canfield's report was included in the Board packet.

AGENCY INFORMATION:

Mr. Dale Morrissey expressed his concern over the state of the economy and the State of Illinois budget cuts.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Approval of Claims:

A copy of the claims report was included in the Board packet.

MOTION: Ms. Jordan moved to accept the claims report as presented. Mr. Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

“What’s Eating Gilbert Grape” The Film--Ebertfest

Mr. Conlin reviewed plans for the film.

PY10 Funding Applications:

A list of applicants was included in the Board packet.

Proposed Ligas Consent Decree:

A Briefing Memorandum was distributed at the meeting that provided Board members with background information and an analysis of the Ligas Consent Decree.

Medicaid Funding:

A Briefing Memorandum was included in the Board packet. Prompted by an inquiry from a developmental disabilities provider (Oak Leyden) to the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS), a meeting was held on February 4, 2009 to review and discuss the extent to which funding from community mental health and developmental disabilities authorities (i.e., 708, 377, and 553 boards) may have resulted in supplementation of established Medicaid rates. Specifically, HFS is concerned about situations where local dollars are used to fund the same services for the same clients that result in Medicaid reimbursement.

Because DHS Medicaid claiming has evolved over the years, DHS/HFS claiming and Medicaid reimbursement has manifested changes from year to year. These changes have resulted in expansion of Medicaid to programs and services traditionally funded by 708/377/553 boards. It is possible that local funding has been used unknowingly (i.e., by 708/377/553 boards) to supplement Medicaid rates. The extent to which this is a problem is currently unknown, and cannot be known until each 708/377/553 reviews each individual contract.

Based on the discussion that occurred during the February 4 meeting, the following represents the preliminary informal opinions from HFS:

- In general, 708/377/553 should not fund any service that “touches” a DHS Medicaid contract for mental health, substance abuse, and developmental disabilities.
- Medicaid is the last and only payer for services. In most cases, 708/377/and 553 also consider themselves to be the payer of last resort.
- The Medicaid rate includes the following components which cannot be supplemented by local dollars:
 - a. Indirect costs related to a service
 - b. Transportation to a service
- Vouchers for respite and other Medicaid services cannot be co-funded by 708/377/553.
- Developmental training and supported employment Medicaid rates cover 1,200 hours of services (despite being listed at 1,100). This gap cannot be funded with local dollars.
- Core services such as for supported employment cannot be co-funded if the individual is funded through a Medicaid waiver.
- Medically necessary Early Intervention (EI) services cannot be co-funded by 708/377/553.
- Local funding cannot be used for clients with a CILA waiver.

In general, more information is needed from HFS in order to understand the full implications of co-funding and supplementation. This information needs to be in the form of formal

interpretative guidelines based on cited statute and regulations. ACMHAI should represent all 708/377/533 boards in this matter.

1. ACMHAI will obtain written guidance from HFS on all DHS Medicaid reimbursed services for mental health, substance abuse and developmental disabilities.
2. ACMHAI will obtain relevant federal regulations and interpretive guidelines pertaining to supplementation of Medicaid rates and anti-supplementation policies.
3. Based on guidance from HFS, review and assess all contracts to assure compliance with relevant Medicaid and HFS statute, rule and policy.
4. Establish hold harmless language which puts the onus on providers to assure that supplementation is not taking place. This could be integrated into contract language, or could be attached as a separate affidavit.

OLD BUSINESS:

Disabilities Resource Expo:

A report from Barb Bressner was included in the Board packet.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Stephanie Howard-Gallo

**Minutes were approved at the 4/21/09 meeting.*