

Central Ohio Region Collaborative-Housing Bed Board Project

Meeting Notes January 16, 2013

In Attendance: Karen Woods-Nyce, Jody Demo-Hodgins, Kent Youngman, David Higgins, Ron Kadylak, Susan Lewis –Kaylor, Doris Toland, Veronica Lofton, Kathy Coate-Ortiz and Jeff Klingler.

Meeting Opening Discussion:

Brief review/summary provided of the November 16th Private and Public Psychiatric Hospital meeting. This event offered presentations from staff representing the ODMH Regional Psychiatric Hospital System, the Private Psychiatric Hospital System, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction/Mental Health Services Boards, and the Community Behavioral Health Provider system. The concepts/projects that were highlighted included: Psychiatric Inpatient Bed Board project (Franklin Co.), Care Navigation program (Allen Co.), and a Visiting Nurse program (Cuyahoga Co.).

The afternoon session included Regional Breakouts which allowed participants to identify projects to be replicated or developed in their area. The Central Ohio Regional Collaborative indicated that they wanted to investigate replicating the Inpatient Bed Board for community housing that would support persons leaving Twin Valley.

Presentation of Franklin County Bed Board:

Jeff Klingler of the Central Ohio Hospital Council provided a presentation of the Franklin County bed board. Participants were able to ask questions and gain information about the partnerships that make this project work. It was noted that this involves a limited number of hospitals within the county and was developed due to an issue with capacity. This project has increased communication among the county partners, and increased the appropriate use of the hospital resources (i.e. placing a patient with Medicaid insurance in a hospital that can bill for these services). Karen, Roni and Doris were all able to attest to the utility of this tool and the improvement in how information is shared.

Discussion re: ACFs/Licensed ACFs per County:

A list of ODMH Licensed Adult Care Facilities (ACFs) by county was provided to the group. Some members of the group noted familiarity with some of the homes.

Betsy Johnson, NAMI, a member of this group, was not able to be in attendance today. She sent an ACF survey document to the group which was briefly discussed. For background: ODMH is contracting with NAMI to develop a data base that includes information on Ohio's licensed Adult Care Facilities. Betsy shared the survey that was sent to all ACF operators requesting information regarding their facility/ies. This information will populate the data base that will be available to anyone seeking information about ACFs. It will be housed on the Ohio Department of Aging website, under the existing "Long Term Care" link. The group reviewed the survey and identified additional information that would assist hospital staff, community providers and consumers when seeking housing options. Jody offered to provide this feedback to Betsy.

Future steps:

Jody will follow-up with Betsy regarding the ACF survey and attempt to include additional information.

Kathy will follow-up with Jamoya Cox, ODMH project lead for the ACF data base, to determine a time frame for the information to go live, and a plan for how this will be maintained/updated.

The group agreed that when available, the ACF data base would assist the hospital and community staff in determining housing options. The group also agreed that given many of the ACFs are small, with operators who may not have computers or instant access to an internet, implementing an ACF Bed Board is not realistic nor attainable at this time. There was agreement to gather additional information and share this with the group members to identify next steps.

Next meeting:

To be determined after the information has been received.

Follow-up Notes:

Jody and Betsy have talked, and Betsy has indicated that the survey document could not be altered unless additional funds were provided by ODMH. Some of the requests for additional information might be captured and could be included under providing services to special populations. ACF operators would be hesitant to disclose that they serve persons who have a history of sex offense, fire setting, and violence. It was generally agreed that including such information on a provider's site would likely kill their business.

Jody suggested talking with OACBHA about developing a survey for Boards.

Kathy spoke with Jamoya and the data base should be ready to go live in March. Prior to it going live, it will be piloted (Feb. 2013) to ensure that it's a usable system. No decision has been made regarding how the information will be maintained, but this will be determined in the near future.