

Affiliate President's Conference Call

June 2, 2011 7-8 PM

On the call: Art Springer, Sam Hargrove, Roy Moritz; David Bullins; Jack Glenn; Jim Pitts, Leslie Huntley

Staff: Deby Dihoff

Everyone was welcomed to the call; no new Presidents were on this call.

Minutes were approved by consensus

National Conference in Chicago- Kathy Hawkins is attending from Greensboro, and Sam Hargrove and David Bullins who are also on the call tonight. Let Deby know who is going from your affiliates – we have a caucus and try to alert everyone.

Be on the alert for your election packet which you should have received in May. What do you need to do?

Submit credentialing document (or complete on line)

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/credential2011>

Choose whether to vote at the convention, by proxy, or by absentee. Let Deby know please if you choose to have the state office vote for you by proxy. There are minor bylaws revisions and for the first time in history- fewer people running for board than there are spaces.

Service Opportunities:

Human Rights committee in Broughton – try members from Greater Hickory
Adult Care Homes Institutions for Mental Diseases (IMD) federal restriction from billing Medicaid – Jack Glenn may be interested in this one.

LME and Waiver Update

Deby briefed the group on the likely LME combinations, now that they must have a population of 300,000 by July 2012 and 300,000 by July 2012. They will be in Clippings as well (though it has shifted some since it went to the printer)

ECBH

Western Highlands

Sandhills

Mecklenburg

Wake

PBH-5 County-Alamance Caswell, OPC

Durham-Johnston-Guilford-Cumberland

SE and Onslow Carteret

Centerpoint
Crossroads, MH Partners, Pathways
Beacon Center, Eastpointe, SE Regional
Smoky Mtn

Waiver – There are two informational pieces on the web site (ours and national’s). We are taking a supportive stance, along with documenting a number of issues and concerns. This document is also on the web site. Leslie urged everyone to become involved- in this case, you can actually reshape your service system (it takes time) to be what it needs to be, rather than shaped by providers and billing practices in a fee for service system.

CABHAS- things have slowed down considerably; there are around 200 CABHAS, the least well represented group is the child substance abuse continuum.

Deby reminded the group that minigrants are due June 3- there are only two in so far.

Conference – moved to October 7-8, causing some problems for High Country and their MIAW special event with Pete Early, which is in the morning . Going forward, we will be avoiding the conference during this week at all costs.

Other agenda items covered:

1. Turn in your class data to Brenda and Jen
2. Standards of Excellence – keep it going
3. Walk checks were sent out
4. Hospital family friendly group formulating- let us know if you want to help train the hospitals
5. Nominees for national board- throw your hat in!
6. Next to Normal in Charlotte- next month! Our date is July 16
7. Check your Heard in the Halls for bills of interest and updates on the budget. The capital sentencing bill is still moving forward, hurrah!!

Submitted by,

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