



Mid Hudson RPC Board Meeting  
December 11, 2019  
Dutchess County Dept. Behavioral & Community Health  
230 North Ave, Poughkeepsie  
10:30-12:00

Minutes

- Welcome & Introductions
- **Approval of Minutes from September Meeting**  
Motion to approve - Melissa Stickle/ second – Lisa Sioufas
- **Election results & Next steps (key partners)**  
Marcie Colon reviewed election results and welcomed board elects. Amie Parikh suggested that Health Homes be moved to the key partner stakeholder group. Discussion pursued which included what other regions are doing and Marcie Colon shared that change can be made if the by-laws are updated. Marcie will share current by laws via email following the meeting for members to review and a follow up discussion and possible vote will take place next meeting.  
Discussed key partner process – key partners are appointed by the board. Nominations were requested and coordinator will send out nomination forms. Reminded everyone that nominations can self-nominations or nominations for others. Final vote/appointment will take place at 2020 first quarter meeting
- **Committee review**
  - \*Michael Orth and Monica Broderick presented on C&F committee. Michael reported that the next committee meeting is on Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be a meeting with DOH. SPOA and C-Yes representatives. Additionally there will be a Cross systems meeting on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. More information to come.
  - \*Marcie Colon shared that Kathy Pandekakes who chairs the HH/HARP/HCBS meeting was unable to attend meeting today but shared that the committee meets bi-monthly and continues to address the issue of low utilization and how we can assist in turning this around. Mark Sasvery shared that CBHS has begun an initiative to assist in building and increasing HCBS utilization
  - \*Stephanie Marquesano reported on the COSOC initiative – Stephanie shared the regional and county perspective of this project. She listed several events that have recently or will soon be held. She included the Jan. 30 training entitled “developing

appropriate treatment plans for individuals with co-occurring disorders” the recent training on pharmacology as well as recent presentation at ACLAIM and the Psychological Association in NYC with Ken Minkoff. Stephanie also reminded the team how important it is to speak about the initiative because you never know who or where it will affect others and that this is how we spread the word and initiative. Stephanie also suggested that there is a great need to get OMH and OASAS at the table at the same time. Susan Miller and Marcie Colon reported that the RPC has had several meetings with all of the “O” offices and this initiative has been shared on several occasions.

- **Update on Meeting with OASAS**

Mark Sasvary reported on the OASAS meeting. Mark shared attendees and explained that the Article 31 & 32 Clinic taskforce requested a meeting with OASAS reps to discuss the current status and needs of the clinic. Mark shared that the OASAS reps were very engaged and there was a clear collaboration. Topics discussed included the possibility of OASAS moving to a rehab model which may offer an easier process for licensing.

**Grant - Children’s Crisis Residence programs**

Jaqueline Johnson reported that the 7 regional DCSs have discussed this grant and plan to make it a regional process. Funding is from capital funding. They will review any request and pick those they feel can provide the services best for the region. Deadline for proposal is Feb. 5

- **Training Series**

Marcie Colon reported that there is a training series initiative originally related to the COSOC however consideration will be given to topics not directly related. Currently planning a training for Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> entitled “developing an appropriate treatment plan for individuals with co-occurring disorders”. Marcie Colon asked for topic suggestions for trainings.

- **OMH Update**

Victoria De Simone shared an update from OMH. Victoria shared information about the HCBS expansion project reminding everyone that there is an opportunity for agencies to apply to expand services within or outside of their county. Victoria also mentioned that the Q&A came out today regarding the Crisis grant referred to earlier.

- **Board Meeting Dates – 2020**

All meetings will be held at the Dutchess County Dept. Behavioral & Community Services

- March 11, 2020
- June 10, 2020
- September 9, 2020
- December 9, 2020

