

# ***FYI Fridays***

## **(Policy Guidance and DBH Updates)**

April 6, 2018

DBH

1. **Budget Update** – The House has passed the House Committee Substitute appropriation bill (HCS HB 2010) and it is now in the Senate. A few significant changes of interest made in the Governor’s Recommended budget by the House include the following:
  - Opioid Initiative originally budgeted for \$4,653,020 was reduced by (\$648,091). The reduction to the item was split as follows: (\$374,260) Recovery Supports and (\$273,831) Peers in ER assisting opioid overdose victims get to treatment. We have heard that they are working hard to restore this in the Senate.
  - Restored Provider Rate Increase 1.5% –This item is currently in FY18 spending restrictions and the Governor recommended cutting in the FY19 budget. House action restores that cut.
  - Added \$1,000,000 Eastern Region Community Access to Care Facilitation – Community based services in the St. Louis eastern region.
  - Added \$1,000,000 Behavioral Health Treatment & Training Pilot Program – Funding for the Eastern Region for early intervention treatment and prevention for ages 3-17.
  - Added \$1,100,000 MO Crisis System – Funding for Community MH Liaison, Crisis Intervention Team Programs, Statewide Suicide Prevention Coordination and Emergency Room Enhancement.
  - Other changes and the complete house bill can be found at <https://house.mo.gov/billtracking/bills181/hlrbillspdf/2010H.03P.pdf>

The Senate is busy preparing their amendments to the House Committee Substitute bill and Senate Mark-up hearings are scheduled for next week.

2. **Care Manager** – (*information obtained from the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare*) CareManager is a web-based, health technology tool selected as Missouri’s system for behavioral health providers to use in care coordination and population health management. It combines Medicaid claims data, DMH client detail, and clinical data from providers to **alert** the care team of ER and hospital events, **assess** populations at risk, **monitor** health outcomes, and **manage** interventions to address gaps in care.

CareManager will be integrated to support all care teams working in our behavioral health programs, as well as meet reporting requirements that include:

- Collecting metabolic screening results and using results in measuring health outcomes;
- Documenting hospital follow-up and medication reconciliations within 72 hours;
- Identifying client engagement with a primary care physician
- Managing healthcare home enrollment and engagement; and,
- Eliminating double data entry and reporting to DMH.

Currently, there are 35 DBH providers using CareManager, with 490 staff trained initially (through 16 days of training, 41 training sessions)! Approximately 215,000 consumers are loaded into the system.

3. **The 3rd annual Peer Leadership Summit will be held at the Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach, MO May 29-30, 2018.** This is a Summit uniting peer specialists from across the state. We invite all peer specialists and those who support peer specialists to join us for learning and networking. Peer support encompasses a range of activities and interactions between people who share similar experiences of being diagnosed with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or both. This mutuality, often called “peerness” between a peer support specialist and person in or seeking recovery promotes connection and inspires HOPE.

Research has shown that peer support helps improve individual recovery outcomes. Our goal is to help create a statewide recovery oriented system of care in which long-term recovery is the predicted and expected outcome for all individuals who engage in the recovery process. The utilization of peers in various settings will assist in this goal. This Summit was planned to:

- Create a peer statewide network consisting of engagement, sharing, learning, and networking;
- Promote excellence in statewide peer support services through collaboration, learning and strategizing;
- Empower and engage peer support providers in becoming active recovery advocates and leaders.

**For more information and to register, visit: <https://peerleadershipsummit.com/>**

***Look for updates on different topics/initiatives next Friday!***