 **Regional Service Council Minutes**

**Region # 15**

**Meeting Date**: April 21, 2021

**Meeting Location**: Microsoft TEAMS (virtual)

**Council Members Present**:

Michelle Adams, R15 Manager

Sandy Ante, Dearborn/Ohio Local Office Director

Gary Keith, Jefferson Local Office Director

Michelle Smith, Ripley Local Office Director

Teresa Patrick, Switzerland Local Office Director

Emily Jackson, FCM/Ripley County FCM

K-Lynn Minor, Jefferson FCM

**Council Members Present by proxy:**

Jennifer Sturges / Proxy for Judge Day, Decatur Co

Amy Fischmer, Proxy for Jefferson Co Prosecutor

**Council Members Absent**:

Denise Burton, Decatur Local Office Director

Jon MacMurdo, Dearborn DCS Supervisor

Kerri Fox, Foster Parent/YES Home

Alyssa Shelton, Jefferson DCS Supervisor

Laural French, Advocates for Children

Morgan Thomas, Proxy for Judge King, Ripley Co

Adam Rauch / Proxy for Judge Humphrey, Dearborn Circuit

Jackie Murray, Foster Parent

**Others in Attendance**:

Austin Hollabaugh, Services Coordinator

Belinda Foreman, RFM

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**Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Called to Order at**: 2:05 pm

1. Welcome/Roll Call – Introductions completed
2. Approval of Minutes:
3. ***Michelle Smith made a motion to approve January 20, 2021 minutes; Teresa Patrick seconded; all in favor.***
4. PROGRAMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS:
5. Community Partners / Erica Roberts & Nick Miller
6. Quarterly Report, Referral, Budget & Flex fund reports
* Reports were sent to council members
* Erica provided a summary of each report
* Shared success stories: One self-referral by mom and a DCS referral for dad and child
* Slightly over budget but continue to be cognizant of expenses and utilize community resources available
* Flex funds – majority of expenses are for housing needs
1. Regional Finance Manager - Belinda Foreman
2. Region 15 remains over budget – report sent to RSC members prior to meeting.
3. Reminder to providers when billing: Attach report & ensure it’s named appropriately. Billing issues - email: DCSPaymentResearchUnit@dcs.in.gov
4. Currently 36 day payment turnaround
5. Regional Services Coordinator – Austin Hollabaugh
6. Family Preservation
* Community Based contracts extended – no RFPs this year. All of these providers should have received a notification letter from the State.
* Roll Out with Cordant (new drug testing provider) has begun; working on setting up clinics throughout the state. If there is a need for oral swab procedure – it will require a referral (per client; not per swab). Cordant has an app for mobile collections to ensure validity/accuracy. Training received by LODs in email is for public as well. Austin will confirm if we can forward to parties outside DCS. There will also be an internal training for DCS staff.
* Family Preservation referrals have evened out; DCS and providers are welcome to attend the informational calls every other Friday.

1. Biennial Plan Goal: Provider Presentation
2. Liz Stauth (Anthem)
* Shared PowerPoint of services available; For information or questions on services provided visit: [www.anthem.com/medicaid](http://www.anthem.com/medicaid) or call 1-866-963-7383 or contact Liz: Liz.Stauth@anthem.com / 317-757-9039
* A few services you may not be aware of: transportation to medical appointments (Uber and Lyft also available), tutoring, Care Coordinators and Rewards Programs.
1. Suggestion to contact Catch-A-Ride through Lifetime Resources and Work One (youth services) to present at July meeting.
2. Suggestions for future meetings: DFR, Safe Passages, Turning Point, CHOICES
3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
4. Practice Model Review (PMR) is scheduled for our region in July. Will share results/information at the July meeting.
5. NEW BUSINESS
6. Prevention dollars
7. Several years ago RSC voted to have R15 prevention dollars go through Community Partners for disbursement. Michelle asked council members if they were still in agreement. Members thought CP was doing a good job of disbursing funds – no changes were requested to current process.
8. PUBLIC BUSINESS
9. Jennifer Sturges shared Speranza House located in Decatur County has served 27 women, indirectly impacting 67 children. They have contracted with Vickie Harris with ER Counseling to provide outpatient services.
10. Brenda Spade, One Community One Family Director, is moving out of state and her replacement is Jody Alexander.

**Next Meeting Date, Location and Time**:

July 21, 2021 / Microsoft TEAMS / 2:00 pm.

**Meeting Adjourned at**: 3:10 pm

***Gary Keith made a motion to adjourn; Jennifer Sturges seconded; all in favor***