

WRAPAROUND MILWAUKEE



PROVIDER NETWORK NEWS & NOTES

May 16, 2011 - Meeting



FROM THE DIRECTOR...

Bruce Kamradt, *Wraparound Milwaukee Director*, gave brief updates on Wraparound, REACH and Project O'YEAH.



Effective July 2011 there will be uniform foster care rates. The four components of the Uniform Foster Care Rate setting are:

- **Initial Clothing Allowance** - an allowance for the actual cost of clothing needed by a child upon initial entry into foster care.
- **Basic Maintenance Rate** - a fixed monthly payment for the usual and customary costs incurred in caring for a foster child
- **Supplemental Rate** - an additional monthly payment intended to cover the costs of caring for a child whose needs exceed normal limits of care and supervision for that child's age.
- **Exceptional Rate** - an additional monthly payment for caring for a child whose needs may be so extreme that the basic maintenance and supplemental payments do not provide sufficient funding to ensure the child's care in the foster home and to prevent placement in a more restrictive setting.

There were some implications going around that Wraparound Milwaukee is not using the CANS tool for all Wraparound enrolled youth. Wraparound will be using the tool for youth that are in TFC placements every six months as this is associated with the foster home rates. All other youth will continue to be assessed by using the Achenbach System.

Wraparound Milwaukee's contract with the State starts July 1, 2011. There will be some changes as it relates to foster care. All foster homes may move to a health home model. More details will be forthcoming.

Project O'YEAH clubhouse is now open four days a week; Monday through Thursday and Saturdays. They are accepting referrals and all Care Coordinators and providers of youth support services are encouraged to bring youth to utilize the facility. There is a bowling alley, gym, and many activities provided. Gwen Anderson is the new manager.

Wraparound is working with adult services so that at 17½ youth will get a SAIL worker that will work to get the youth services/resources as he/she transitions.



MOBILIE URGENT TREATMENT TEAM (M.U.T.T.)

Chris Morano, *M.U.T.T. Director*, reported that the Crisis Stabilization audits are continuing. The State is scheduled to come in July.

Dr. Morano acknowledged that May is Mental Health Month, which led to a discussion about bullying – a huge problem. As children deal with many issues/behaviors/emotions they can fall prey to or become a bully. He suggested the following website for more information on the subject: www.cyberbullying.us

PROVIDER NETWORK

Wes Albinger, *Provider Network Coordinator*, announced that it is that time of year where summer recreation services are sought.

Agencies that were providing these services last year will need to notify Wraparound if they are interested in providing the service this year.



The services that Wraparound is taking applications for this year are listed on the website. Effective May 18, 2011, Specialized Academic Support will be added to the list.

The new Employment Preparation & Placement service is up and running and seems to be going well. This service has an outcome based reimbursement structure and should hopefully achieve a better success rate of youth finding jobs. If there are any suggestions and/or comments about the service please direct them to Wes at 257-7835. All feedback is appreciated.

Wes reminded the agencies of the protocol to follow when adding and deleting direct service providers. The form to add a provider can be found on the Wraparound website on the Provider Network Forms page. When requesting that a provider be added please ensure that the person has been entered in Synthesis prior to assigning them any cases.

To request that a provider be deleted there is a report that has to be downloaded in Synthesis and faxed to Wraparound. This is a vendor report titled ***“Vendor Provider Listing by Provider – Drop Sheet”***.

If you have any questions or require assistance with adding/deleting providers, please contact Theresa Randall at 257-8108.

QUALITY ASSURANCE & QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

Pam Erdman, QA/QI Director, reported that the Crisis Stabilization/Supervision audits have begun. Confirmations went out to agencies informing them of what date Wraparound QA staff will be coming to their office.

There are still a few agencies that have not submitted the 2011 Policy and Procedure Sign-Off Form. There will be no further reminders regarding this. Pam reminded agencies that the 2010 and 2011 policies are also on the Wraparound Milwaukee website at www.wraparoundmilwaukee.org. If there are any questions regarding policies, they can be directed to Pam at 257-7608.

Provider surveys are sent to enrolled families to find out how they feel about the services being provided to them through the Wraparound Milwaukee Network. These surveys are sent to them on the 4th & 9th months of enrollment. Pam also noted that agencies should be engaging in some sort of QA/survey procedure with the clients as a standard best-practice.

As an update to those agencies providing transportation, the QA Department is in the process of reviewing the transportation logs that were sent in for the QA transportation review. Agencies will receive a review report once the process is complete.



NEXT PROVIDER MEETING

July 18th – 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
St. Aemilian-Lakeside, Franciscan Center
3939 N. 88 Street

