



## Child & Family Advisory Partnership Minutes



<b>Date of Meeting:</b> <b>Wednesday, July 27, 2011</b> <b>Meeting Time:</b> <b>5:30-7:30pm</b>		<b>Location of Meeting:</b> <b>Family Involvement Center (FIC)</b> 1430 E. Indian School Road, Suite 110 Phoenix, AZ 85014			
<b>Co-Chairs:</b> Shawn Thiele, Magellan of Arizona Lillian Armstrong, Family Involvement Center					
<b>Notes:</b> Don VandenBrul, Co-Chair, Arizona Peer and Family Coalition					
<b>Spanish Interpretation:</b> Mario Barajas					
<b>Attendees:</b>		Charlotte Price Aaron Price Mary Robson Thelma Williams Patti Ritchie Rosalind Hinton Mario Barajas Kristin Grimsrud Lillian Armstrong	Don VandenBrul Michelle Runion Paula Carillo Heidi Obbs Kandy Luty Shannon Gamache Denise Baker Pam Schultz Gregg Lopez	Jim Dunn Michelle Bedinghaus Dennis Douglas Brielle Rawlings Greg Dicharry Kevin Flynn Don Erickson Matt Pierce René Kuehne	Vickey Edwards Shawn Thiele Stephanie Erickson Gary Brennan Louis Galland Krista Long Erika Montano Erica Goble Sharon Osweiler
<b>Introductions</b>		<p>Before introductions began, Lillian Armstrong announced that Denise Baker, Family Integration Manager at Child and Family Support Services had been awarded this quarter's Green Ribbon Award. Some of tonight's participants talked about the impact Denise has made throughout the System over her many years of service.</p> <p>Tonight's meeting participants stated their names and professional/family affiliations and then reviewed the minutes from the meeting of May 25, 2011. Changes were made to some minor spelling errors. Please let Magellan know if you see any other changes that need to be made. Minutes from previous meetings can be found on the Magellan website <a href="http://www.magellanofaz.com">www.magellanofaz.com</a>.</p>			

**Updates,  
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Information Sharing**

MYLIFE and MYLIFE Discovery

Greg Dicharry and Erica Goble from Magellan and MYLIFE along with Matt, a MYLIFE co-chair, came to tonight's meeting to talk about MYLIFE and MYLIFE Discovery, programs for youth, sponsored by Magellan of Arizona. Greg indicated that MYLIFE Discovery was a new program for youth ages 8 through 13. It is hoped that they will transition into the MYLIFE program when they turn 14. Their meetings are held at the New Leaf Westside facility in Glendale. MYLIFE youth mentor the youth of MYLIFE Discovery. Matt then talked about his experiences mentoring the MYLIFE Discovery youth. They concluded by handing out flyers while other participants offered to email electronic copies of the flyer if they can be made available.

Arizona Peer and Family Coalition

Don VandenBrul, President of the Arizona Peer and Family Coalition talked about their initiatives, especially the report done by the System Transformation Subcommittee. The Subcommittee's report on the results of last fall's Focus Groups for the Adult System of Care has been integrated into the Division of Behavioral Health's response to the Arnold Vs Sarn lawsuit. The Coalition meets on the second Tuesday of each month.

Family Involvement Center

The August Family Involvement Center Calendar of Events is available for pickup at today's meeting.

Michael Donnelly will be conducting a Dialogue about Trauma Informed Care on August 11, 2011. This event is being co-sponsored by the Division of Behavioral Health Services. Please contact the Family Involvement Center at (602) 288-0155 for the time of this event.

The next Strengthening Multi-Ethnic Families & Communities class begins on August 2, 2011. As usual this class is closed to new registration with 51 families signed up. The class runs for 13 weeks and you are urged to watch for the announcement of the next class signup.

Magellan of Arizona

Mary Robson announced that applications for Magellan Core Committees and Workgroups are available tonight at the meeting. Training for family members new to Magellan Committees is required and available to everyone. Shawn Thiele explained the value of these committees and explained some of the dynamics. She also talked about how family members are crucial members of Magellan committees and workgroups.

	<p><u>Stakeholder Announcements</u></p> <p>Gary Brennan from Quality Care Network announced that the Arizona Foundation for Behavioral Health is sponsoring their annual advocacy training series. There is scholarship money available from Quality Care Network.</p> <p>Gary also initiated a discussion about transitional youth making their voice be heard by learning how to advocate for themselves and learning to keep services for themselves. It was additionally urged that transitional youth be encouraged to register to vote. Matt from MYLIFE reinforced Gary's words by using using his personal experiences from his own transition.</p> <p>Gary also asked if youth ages 18-21 have a protected status from falling off AHCCCS. Kevin Flynn from the Division of Behavioral Health Services will check with Bob Sorce.</p> <p>Denise Baker talked about the family and youth programs at Child and Family Support Services (CFSS). Their youth group raises awareness of youth and their journey in the system of care and their fight against stigma. The youth from CFSS have developed a skit about their journeys. Shawn Thiele indicated that she would like them to perform at a future meeting of this group as well as at MYLIFE.</p> <p>Finally it was mentioned that the Youth Involvement Protocol is out for comments that are due on July 29, 2011.</p>
<p><b>Presentation</b></p>	<p>Participants in tonight's meetings heard about the Children's System of Care Plan Update.</p> <p>Shawn Thiele began tonight's presentation by mentioning that the state's System of Care plan was a 5-year strategic plan for the first time. It was designed to integrate prevention and intervention using a series of annual work plans designed by the Regional Behavioral Health Agencies (RBHA's). The one-year plans are to be designed so that the state goals will be attained in five years. It was also designed to integrate the state's Office of Individual and Family Affairs with a RHBA position that influences Peer and Family Involvement at that RBHA.</p> <p>The state's plan has five specific goal areas. The first of these is to increase the percentage of children who live with their families. The baseline for this goal is the Out of Home data from Fiscal Year 2011. The five year target is to decrease the Out of Home percentage by 10% from the baseline. The measurement criteria for Fiscal Year 2011 has not yet been determined so the goals and targets are still fluid.</p> <p>Goal Two is to increase the percentage of youth who experience educational success. The baseline for this goal is the Educational National Outcome Measure (NOM) of 92.6%. The target is 95%. There is still the need to determine what constitutes educational success. The goals must also measure individual issues against environmental issues. Magellan and DBHS are still trying to build dialogue and collaboration between school</p>

and behavioral health providers as to how to resolve the dilemma between school, home and behavioral health considerations.

Goal Three increases the percentage of youth who transition to a successful adulthood. This goal has four parts. The baselines are the NOM targets for each of the four areas. Employment will have a baseline of 11% and a target of 15%. Stable housing has a baseline of 92.7% and a target of 95%. Arrest-free has a baseline of 87.4% and a target of 90%. Finally, substance abstinence has a baseline of 32% and a target of 40%. For this goal, Magellan wants to stress connections with peers, MYLIFE and youth resources. This led to a discussion of the validity of data and the importance of making sure that data collection is transparent.

The Fourth Goal is to decrease youth substance abuse. The baseline for this goal includes treatment and substance abstinence. The NOM baseline for abstinence is 37.8% while the target is 42%. The alcohol baseline is 31.9% and the goal is 28%. For marijuana, the baseline is 29.9% while the goal is 26%. Finally, the baseline for the abuse of prescription drugs is 21.5% while the goal is 17%. The strategy here is to stop parties and other places where abuse can occur.

The Fifth and final Goal is a reduction in the statewide rate of youth suicide completion. The baseline is 10.7% per 100,000 while the goal is 10% per 100,000. Various suicide prevention support groups and educational programs have been established.

This System of Care plan has a quick turnaround for a response. The overall response is due on August 1, 2011.

Other highlights of the new System of Care plan are an expanded role for High Needs Case Managers, better access to care, collaboration with the education system, family and peer involvement and stigma reduction.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 31, 2011, 5:30-7:30pm  
Family Involvement Center**

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