

**Kent County
Family & Children's
Coordinating Council**



KCFCCC Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2017 12:00pm – 1:30pm
Kent County Administration
Room 311

Members/Alternates

Present:

Adam London, Melanie Beelen, Wayman Britt, Ron Caniff, Candace Cowling, Tracey Fountain, Judge Patti Gardner, Kristen Gietzen, Lynn Heemstra, Nancy Marshall, George Meek, Jackie O'Connor, Jim Paparella, Julie Ridenour, Diana Sieger, Savator Selden-Johnson, Michelle VanDyke, Matthew VanZetten, Patti Warmington, Michael Zoerhoff.

Members Absent:

Chris Becker, Lynne Ferrell, Scott Gilman, Jack Greenfield, Cynthia Gladyness, Jacob Maas, Yazeed Moore, Teresa Neal.

Guests:

Ciara Atkins, Angie Barksdale, Heather Boswell, Maureen Kirkwood, Carol Paine-McGovern, Pam Parriott, Leslie Pelkey, Beverly Ryskamp, Chelsi Saari, Annemarie Valdez, Summer Wright, Betty Zylstra.

1. Welcome & Call to Order

Adam London called the meeting to order and asked for introductions.

The agenda was reviewed and an item was added after #4 to discuss Community Health Innovation Region (CHIR). George Meek made a motion to accept the agenda with the one change and second provided by Judge Gardner. Agenda was accepted.

After a review of the November minutes, a motion to accept them was provided by George Meek, second by Michelle VanDyke – vote was UNANIMOUS.

2. Public Comment

There was none.

3. West Michigan Partnership for Children Update

Jim Paparella provided a handout that lays out the logic model for the West Michigan Partnership for Children (WMPC). The purpose of this pilot project is to improve outcomes for children in our local Kent County Child Welfare system.

The technology requirements at the State level to modify their case management information system are on track, which will allow for data sharing for use by the WMPC. A data sharing agreement is close to being complete. Quality assurance and compliance documents have been submitted to the US Department of Health and Human Services, who will need to sign off and approve all of the policies and procedures.

The State is being very cooperative and supportive of this program, providing resources and money to rebuild the MiSACWIS system to give us the data needed. The goal continues to be on or before October 1, 2017 and is on schedule.

Office space has been identified near Cherry and Sheldon that was affordable and includes free parking. The lease agreement is in the process of being finalized.

The CEO position was re-posted and it has been narrowed down to a couple of people who are being given strong consideration.

Next step with the Board will be to begin work with the partners who will eventually become subcontractors and vendors.

The Board asked Jim to question the Council on what organizations should be invited to community presentations of the WMPC.

Also, there is a State-level group called the Child Welfare Partnership Council that began the process of looking at a performance-based system of delivering Child Welfare services. They have been highlighting WMPC in their newsletters (see handout).

There is still much discussion on how the WMPC will be measured. There is no standardized tool.

Adam asked Jim to provide a timeline. He answered that once the CEO is hired, the person will select their team. The Board is working with a lot of loose ends on the documents that are required to file with the State and the US Department of Health and Human Services. He expects about a 30-60 day turn around. The go-live date is truly expected to be October 1.

After continued discussion, Adam London mentioned the Council and Executive Committee will discuss ways we can support the WMPC going forward and provide the medium between the consortium and the community. Jim added they are feeling a little behind with getting the word out to the community.

4. Network180 Section 298 Pilot Application

Beverly Ryskamp from Network180 provided this update to the Council. She gave some background on Section 298. She said that it proposed a significant shift in funding for Medicaid. Michigan is a carve-out state in terms of behavioral health Medicaid. She provided a handout outlining the payment structure and what the State was doing in an attempt to unite the funding streams. The State received a lot of stakeholder feedback on this proposal, which caused changes in the budget proposal. They put the proposal on hold, accepted feedback and pilot proposals for integrating care.

Included in her handout was the pilot proposal submitted for Kent County. The model puts the risk and responsibility at the provider level. It is described as a sub-capitation proposal, moving risk and responsibility down from the payer level on both sides of the equation, the behavioral health and physical health sides, pooling those dollars through a provider partnership at the provider level. It puts more risk and responsibility at the provider level and also merges the funds.

Currently if an individual has mild to moderate needs, they need to be met through their health plan benefit. Once the needs escalate, they need to work with the Community Mental Health (CMH) system, and currently many individuals are toggling back and forth. This model proposes to take the public behavioral health dollars, push them down to the provider level, take the Medicaid physical health dollars and push them down and merge them.

The next steps will be a review of all pilot proposals by a State-led 298 Facilitation Workgroup. Then it will likely go to the legislature for recommendations on which models are worth testing.

Beverly concluded that no matter what changes are done at the State level, this proposal is flexible enough to be able to adapt to changes at the national level.

5. Community Health Innovation Region (CHIR) Update

Adam London provided a summary of the proposal in a handout. Maureen Kirkwood was present to assist with the discussion. Adam said we spend too much money on cures and too little on prevention in public health. With that, the Federal Government invested millions of dollars into State Innovation Models and pushed them out to the states to explore ways to reform payment to try and find ways to invest back into Prevention in Public Health. Michigan received one of the grants a couple of years ago, about \$70 million. Regions within the state were looked at to explore the model where health care providers and payers, particularly Medicaid, could partner to do some of the capitated payments, some of the reformed payments and reinvest a portion of the savings back into population health. The reinvestment happens within a Community Health Innovation Region (CHIR).

Kent County made the application in late 2015. We were not selected, presumably because our proposal was too complex. It turned out to be a blessing in disguise. We received a lot of support from the hospitals and the health care systems to be involved in that kind of system. Since we were not selected we have the freedom to build this the

way we want.

Several chronic illnesses, which are very expensive to cure or care for, things with evidence-based preventions could be a lot more efficiently addressed at a much lower cost and could drive better health outcomes.

We are moving forward to develop this innovation region that will explore ways to reinvest in prevention.

Maureen Kirkwood said in partnership with Jean Nagelkirk from GVSU, they plan to move forward with the development of the Kent County Population Health Improvement Consortium. This group will act as an advisory group to a number of different initiatives.

Adam continued, adding there is a diagram in the handout that shows some of the key components of the CHIR. There will be a vision council, governance committee (the leadership of the CHIR) and workgroups will focus on each of the critical function areas, along with committees focused on each of the priority areas as identified by the CHNA and the State identified priorities.

Going forward there will be a meeting of the Governance Committee sometime in the next two months and then a community convening later in the Spring.

6. KConnect Update

Pam Parriott introduced herself and gave a high-level overview of KConnect. She mentioned this is a data-centric effort that covers a child's life from cradle to career. This work often encompasses data sharing agreements. Recently CRI received 10 years' worth of juvenile justice data from the Circuit Court. This will provide a better understanding of juvenile justice data across the County and what we need to be doing.

Matthew gave his thanks to Brian Vogel from the Circuit Court for his help in getting this data and to Circuit Court Judge Patti Gardner for her work inside the court and on the KCFCCC Council as chair, as well as her work with KConnect. He added this is a big victory and should help us to do more prevention instead of the more expensive reactive interventions.

7. Nomination Committee

Matthew said we are a bit behind with putting together the Nomination Committee this year. We need to set one up to meet to get recommendations for the Executive Committee that is supposed to start in April. Today, we are looking for volunteers for the Nomination Committee.

Patti Warmington, Julie Ridenour and George Meek volunteered. Matthew will meet with this group soon to come up with recommendations for the Executive Committee for 2017.

8. Miscellaneous

a). **Nancy Marshall** – She introduced Tracey Fountain, saying she is currently a District Office Manager in Genesee County, and will replace Nancy as she retires. Tracey said she has been with the State of Michigan since 1994. She worked in Corrections and then moved into the Department in 2001.

b). **Savator Selden-Johnson** – She thanked Nancy for her years of service and contributions to Kent County.

c). **Lynn Heemstra** – The To College Through College initiative is having a summit on March 2 from 8:00 to Noon. Dr. Bill Pink will be speaking. The Summit will address Changing the Narrative. Lynn said she would get a notice out with an invitation to everyone.

d). **Judge Patti Gardner** – The Juvenile Justice system is seeing an increase in referrals for girls. Kent County is starting a Girls' Court program this month. Judge Gardner will be the lead judge. There will be one female probation officer and five women attorneys. There are plans for developing collaborative groups to engage the girls in, along the lines of positive peer activities and areas of interest. Judge Gardner is hopeful this will have a dramatic impact on improving their educational outcomes, addressing mental health and returning them into the community.

e). **Adam London** – The Lead Task Force has its next meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 1:00-4:00 PM in the County Board of Commissioners Chambers. The purpose will be to hear from a couple of physicians from Spectrum Health who will talk about lead and its effect on children, therapy for children, etc. There will also be discussion from local and State epidemiologists who will inform the group on lead levels and how they are regionally spread out, what the rates are and some of the environmental associations.

Second, Adam reported that Highland Hills Golf Course has become part of Blandford Nature Center. This adds about 112 acres to the Nature Center. This impacts our local children because there is a ton of data that proves that children that have access to nature and natural areas do better in school, in life and stay healthier. The Grand Rapids Community Foundation was key in making that happen.

f). **Annemarie Valdez** – She reported that the Welcome Home Baby Task Force will become part of HealthNet.

Also, the ELNC put out a request for proposal for Pay For Success for Three-year-old Preschool. First Steps submitted a letter of intent and are working with KentISD, KConnect and many other partners.

9. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m. The next meeting will take place on April 11, 2017, at the Kent County Administration Building, Room 311.