

CHIP Committee Minutes: Mental Health Provider Support and Recruitment

3/27/2023

Committee Goals:

1. Determine provider needs (with survey). 2. Invite providers to committee. 3. Create a group recruitment initiative to bring providers to our area.
2. Beyond 2023- focus on high schools with activities such as career panels and survey students about staying in the area versus leaving the area.

I. Introductions:

Attendance: Amy Blaser with Columbus Community Hospital, Jessica Hicks and Loree Rivas with East Central District Health Department, Sarah Preston with Good Neighbor Community Health Center, Eldon Bensen with Unite Us, and Luz Colon-Rodriguez with Central Community College

II. Updates on Goal Activities:

1. Google Drive Folder- Share Resources, Track Progress
[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10lhtA7qUPBZfnGUDG3U2zORiSmg4YKR5?usp=share link](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10lhtA7qUPBZfnGUDG3U2zORiSmg4YKR5?usp=share_link)
2. Recruitment Opportunities?
 - Karmen will categorize a spreadsheet of recruitment opportunities and send out to the group for their recruitment resource additions.
 - Sarah will contact the state and request a list of licensed providers
3. Recruitment Materials:
 - Amy discussed the hospitals physician recruitment materials including a video and she will share those resources with the group. Amy volunteered to do graphic design on the recruitment materials.
 - Karmen discussed nebhjobs.com.
4. Recruitment Plan:
 - a) Develop a CHIP Handshake account for the group to utilize.
 - b) Begin developing materials NOW.
 - c) Develop a list of local open positions and send to known recruitment opportunities.

d) Possibly develop a local mental health newsletter which would include job postings, local mental health data and be a place to help highlight the area in hopes of getting providers to relocate.

5. Other:

- Sarah discussed Accelerated Resolution Therapy, which she reported can resolve client conflict in one session. She also reported that Good Neighbor will have two bilingual practicum students this summer but they will not be able to bill insurance for any services those students provide.
- The group discussed supportive efforts, especially lobbying for an increase in Medicaid and insurance pay rates.

III. Next Steps

1. Action items?

- Jill discussed needing more survey responses. Karmen will email the survey to providers again.

IV. Next meeting: [April 24th @ 12](#)