

Council, Committee or Workgroup Meeting Snapshot

Meeting: Regional Consumer Advisory Council

Meeting Date: February 13, 2026

RCAC/MSHN Attendees:

18 members, A. Ittner (MSHN), L. Philpott, and D. Dedloff (MSHN)

KEY DISCUSSION TOPICS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & Introductions • Review and approve the December 12, 2025 meeting snapshot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Follow-up agenda items • Approval of current agenda • PIHP Procurement Update • SUD Health Home Expansion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict-Free Access and Planning update • Member Suggested Topics - None • Open Discussion • CMHSP Local Updates • Adjourn |
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✓ **KEY DECISIONS**

- ✓ Welcome & Introductions
- ✓ The Regional Consumer Advisory Council (RCAC) meeting snapshot for December 12, 2025 was approved.
 - Follow-up agenda items: None
- ✓ The current agenda was reviewed and approved.
- ✓ Amanda Ittner (MSHN) provided an update on the status of the PIHP Procurement process. She stated that on January 29, 2026, the state provided notice that the PIHP request for proposal (RFP) process was being cancelled. This was good news for the PIHP regions. The cancellation was due to flaws in the RFP that did not align with the Michigan Mental Health Code, as noted in the recent court ruling. The state has filed a motion to dismiss the open court proceeding because the RFP was cancelled and the court no longer needs to supervise it. MSHN plans to respond to the motion by expressing disagreement that the RFP process is complete, because the state can reissue a similar RFP in the near future, and wants the court to supervise the process to ensure that a future RFP complies with the required standards. MSHN has not heard anything further from the state, but is willing to collaborate to address concerns previously expressed by beneficiaries, advocates, or providers. The lack of communication may be due to the state's inability to collaborate with potential future bidders. Members asked questions and discussed their desire for collaboration and their disappointment that feedback was provided to the state that does not appear to have been taken into consideration for the RFP process.
- ✓ Liz Philpott (MSHN) shared updates regarding the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Health Home expansion. She reported that SUD Health Homes coordinate care for Medicaid beneficiaries with serious and complex chronic conditions, provide flexibility to create innovative delivery and payment models, serve the “wholeperson” by integrating and coordinating physical, behavioral, and social services, and afford sustainable reimbursement to affect the social determinants of health. A SUD Health Home seeks to improve care management for beneficiaries. MSHN has 10 existing SUD Health Home locations and is adding an additional seven (7) provider locations.
- ✓ Dan Dedloff (MSHN) reviewed the updates to the MSHN Guide to Service Handbook. He reported that MDHHS issued an update to the Handbook templates through the MDHHS Customer Service Standards. He reviewed each section and highlighted the updates. Members provided feedback and expressed appreciation for the amount of work needed to revise the handbook so that it can be printed and distributed to members receiving services.
- ✓ Updates
 - The group was informed that there have been no updates regarding Conflict-Free Access and Planning.
- ✓ Member Suggested Topics
 - None
- ✓ Open Discussion
 - A member noted that the upcoming election of the governor may influence the PIHP process, and it is important to stay informed on the candidates and the issues for the election in November.
- ✓ CMHSP Local Updates
 - Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported that during their last CAC, the group discussed plans for Walk-a-Mile coming up in September 2026, that a Saginaw Spirit hockey game on March 14th is dedicated to mental health awareness, how individuals can be better supported through self-determination, discussed the BABH performance review, and the CMS grant to strengthen rural health. ○ CMH for Central MI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A member shared that during their recent CAC meeting, members discussed goals for 2026, plans for services, notice of adverse benefit determination, and that more people are participating in the clubhouse program in Mt. Pleasant. ○ CMHA of C-E-I <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member shared that during their last CAC, the group received an update on their crisis center, appointed a new consumer representative to the CEI board, discussed holding an elected officials presentation, completed a review of the bylaws, and discussed artificial intelligence technology being used within CMHs. ○ Gratiot Integrated Health Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ Huron Behavioral Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported that there are a lot of open staff positions at HBH, and their CAC discussed the PIHP Procurement process at their most recent meeting. ○ The Right Door <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported peer support recently started a grief and loss group at their drop-in center, a free lunch was held the first week of February with the topic of Eight Dimensions of Wellness discussed, a Valentine's party was held, and plans are in place for a trip to the Fredrick Meijer butterfly garden in March. ○ LifeWays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ Montcalm Care Network (MCN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ Newaygo County Mental Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported their recent CAC meeting was cancelled due to the weather. ○ Saginaw County CMHA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported that a speaker discussed supported employment at their most recent CAC meeting. ○ Shiawassee Health and Wellness (SHW) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported that a new drop-in center was opened for individuals who are homeless in Owosso. ○ Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member reported planning to attend the Spirit Hockey game mental health awareness night. <p>✓ Other Business: None</p> <p>✓ Adjourned</p>
<p>✓ ACTION/INPUT REQUIRED</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
<p>✓ KEY DATA POINTS/DATES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2026, from 12:30-3:00 pm.