

Region 5 - Regional Medical Directors Meeting

Friday, July 18, 2025, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Meeting Materials: [07-18-2025 Regional Medical Director's Meeting](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82291897541?pwd=SnN3ZGs1RXpyRkg1Ynl3Mms0Q3hKQT09) | Powered by Box

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FY 2025 Meeting Calendar

November 15, 2024

May 16, 2025

January 17, 2025

July 18, 2025

March 21, 2025

September 19, 2025

Attendees:

MSHN: Zakia Alavi, Todd Lewicki, Skye Pletcher

Bay: Dr. Roderick Smith

CEI: Dr. Stanley

Central: Dr. Janssen

Gratiot: Dr. Rangwani

Huron: Dr. Neda Habeeb

Lifeways: Dr. Drumm

Montcalm: Dr. Brian Smith, Melissa McLaren

Newaygo: Dr. Baker

Saginaw: Dr. Ibrahim, Jen Kreiner

Shiawassee: Dr. Hashimoto

Right Door: Dr. Sanchez

Tuscola: Dr. Movva, Tina Gomez

Guests:

KEY DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Welcome & Roll Call/New Member
2. Review and Approve March minutes, Additions to Agenda. FY25 meeting dates above
3. Announcements (as appropriate)
4. MDHHS Procurement/RMD Meeting Status
5. Mental Health Framework
6. Roundtable

Distribution list updates to be requested.

Parking Lot:

1. Justice Department Launches Disability Rights Investigation into Unnecessary Institutionalization in Michigan's State Psychiatric Hospitals-recent article [Office of Public Affairs](https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-launches-disability-rights-investigation-into-unnecessary-institutionalization-michigan-s-state-psychiatric-hospitals) | [Justice Department Launches Disability Rights Investigation into Unnecessary Institutionalization in Michigan's State Psychiatric Hospitals](https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-launches-disability-rights-investigation-into-unnecessary-institutionalization-michigan-s-state-psychiatric-hospitals) | [United States Department of Justice](https://www.justice.gov/)

Agenda Item	Action Required
3- Announcements	No announcements.
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4-MDHHS Procurement and RMD Meeting Status	<p>Discussed the intent of the doctors and continuing the meeting, changing the meeting, or keeping as is. Discussed procurement and current status. Dr. Alavi had provided testimony to the healthcare committee and it has been received positively and with raised awareness.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">The doctors all agreed to continue the RMD as is currently scheduled.</div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By Who</div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By When</div> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> </div>
5- Mental Health Framework	<p>Shared the Mental Health Framework, including the use of the MichiCANS and LOCUS to determine payer between the PIHP and the MHP. Discussed the referral system that MDHHS will expect flows between the MHP and PIHP to determine follow up. There is no system that has been built and it is uncertain as to how this process will work. There is a lot of concern in using a linear process to indicate what payer should be responsible for paying and providing clinical care. A workgroup of PIHP and MHP representatives was convened by MDHHS to provide recommendations on the development of the referral system, however MDHHS discontinued the workgroup abruptly and it's unclear what, if any, recommendations from the workgroup they will include in the design of the new system. Proposed implementation date is 10/1/2025.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">No further follow-up, but will monitor.</div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By Who</div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By When</div> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> </div>
6- Roundtable	<p>Open floor opportunity to cover additional items and questions. What are the group's thoughts on CSUs and CRUs. What is working and not working? CRUs are licensed as AFCs and this causes some issues and benefits. Not sure how payment will be due to staffing models and requirements. Some providers have moved to behavioral health urgent care model instead as the cost and rules for the CSU is expensive.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By Who</div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">By When</div> <div style="flex: 1;"></div> </div>
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