



## Region 5 - Regional Medical Directors Meeting

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

Meeting Materials: [07-18-2025 Regional Medical Director's Meeting | Powered by Box](#)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82291897541?pwd=SnN3ZGs1RXpyRkg1Ynl3Mms0Q3hKQT09>

### 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 MacLaren  
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 | Justice Department Launches Disability Rights Investigation into Unnecessary Institutionalization in Michigan's State Psychiatric Hospitals | United States Department of Justice](#)

Agenda Item	Action Required				
<b>3- Announcements</b>	No announcements.				
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<b>4-MDHHS Procurement and RMD Meeting Status</b>	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.				
	The doctors all agreed to continue the RMD as is currently scheduled.	By Who		By When	
<b>5- Mental Health Framework</b>	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.				
	No further follow-up, but will monitor.	By Who		By When	
<b>6- Roundtable</b>	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.				
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