



## Council, Committee or Workgroup Meeting Snapshot

### Meeting: Information Technology Council

Date: December 17th, 2025

AmyLou Douglas, SCCMHA  
Brian McNeil, GIHN  
Brandon Dotson, CEI  
Chad Brown, SCCMHA  
Holli McGeshick, SCCMHA  
Jay Hollinger, NCMH  
Jill Carter, TRD  
Jane Cole, CMCMH  
Joanne Holland, CEI  
Kevin Faught, CMHCM  
Laura Rickwalt, TBHS  
Lynn Martin, NCMH  
Martin Slomnis, CMCMH  
Michael Potter, HBH  
Nathan Derusha, TRD  
Rebecca Marshall, SHW  
Shawn Wise, MCN  
Stacey Dudewicz, TBHS  
Terry Reihl, MCN  
Theresa Adler, BABH  
Steven Grulke, MSHN  
Shyam Marar, MSHN  
Joseph Wager, MSHN  
Ron Meyer, MSHN  
Cathy Todd, MSHN  
*Unknown from TBHS*

#### KEY DISCUSSION TOPICS

##### Consent Items

1. Roll Call, November 19 snapshot – All

##### Informational Items

2. MDHHS communications? – Steve
  - a. HRA Invalid NPIs (Nov 26)
  - b. BH TEDS Completeness (Dec 5)
  - c. Encounter Recon file (Dec 8)
3. BH-TEDS and Encounter submissions – Shyam/Ron/Cathy
4. EDV review follow up – ensure that staff signatures include all credentials (modifier).
5. EVV
6. Status of implementing the Autism Module?
7. CCBHC BH TEDS workgroup – voted on keeping things mostly the same.
8. Lifeways piloting WSA bi-directional transfer – Update?
9. CIO forum update – November 21 meeting minutes in folder
10. Joanne Holland retiring from CEI – Dec 19
11. Other – All
  - a. ITC meeting on January 21 –Zoom call only.
12. CCBHC IT operational concerns/questions (as time allows)
13. BHH IT subgroup (as time allows)

Central, Montcalm, Newaygo, Saginaw, Shiawassee and GIHN

## ✓ KEY DECISIONS

- Communications from the state have been sent at a rate lower than usual.
- There are only 3 CMHs remaining on the HRA Invalid NPI list.
- Carol Hyso has set a 12/31 deadline for BH-TEDS completion. An extension has been requested, though Steve reminded the group that Carol's prior deadlines have largely been a mechanism for expediency.
- Collectively we have been holding well with our Encounter Recon files.
- Encounter submissions have run into few complications, and are generally being submitted and received without error
- One of our HSAG EDV Review items was a modifier for credentials, stating that the submitted evidence didn't contain sufficient evidence of proper credentialing in staff signatures. Steve had been under the impression that doing so was already in practice. There appears to have been some ambiguity in whether a staff member's electronic signature automatically populates with all of their credentials, or if they have to be added manually to a literal signature. MSHN will note this in FY27's review if possible.
- The 85% unaltered accuracy expectation for EVV claims, which council members have repeatedly identified as an issue, will remain in place. Manual entries can be performed without a schedule. There does not appear to be a grace period for onboarding new provider.
- Heidi Nagel will replace Joanne Holland as our representative at the EVV meetings.
- CMHs have requested that before the Autism Module program can move forward, more specifications are needed. Additionally, the WSA AUT program has been shut down for nearly three years, and there are staff members now unfamiliar with the original process. Gathering Autism data is not a state mandate, but it is a request from Clinical Leadership Council.
- The CCBHC BH-TEDS workgroup voted on keeping things the same, mostly. It has yet to be determined whether there needs to be a data use agreement in place. Joanne Holland voiced objection, noting that no services will be attached to the

	<p>TEDS submitted, and requesting clarity that the PIHP can't use a CCBHC TEDS in any analytical way, including for audits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joanne Holland will retire from CEI on December 19<sup>th</sup>. CEI's incoming CIO, Brandon Dotson, is in attendance. ITC thanks Joanne for her contributions and her efforts.</li> <li>• ITC discussed ways of cleaning up agency address books. For some, only Medical Records staff can clean them up. For others, it's clerical, but manual. Staff members can only use legal names, specifically the names that match their licenses, on signatures. CMCMH allows a person to put their preferred name in parentheses.</li> <li>• ITC is considering establishing some in-person meetings.</li> </ul> <p>CCBHC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although The Right Door and CEI are still running into the same errors as they were at the start of the FY, Nathan reports that 95-7% of claims are getting paid. The improvements seem to align with coverage plans catching up.</li> </ul>
✓ ACTION/INPUT REQUIRED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve will ask for an extension of BH-TEDS Completeness past 12/31</li> <li>• Steve will identify the portion of the Medicaid Manual requiring staff signatures to contain all of a staff member's credentials.</li> <li>• Steve will take specific requests regarding the Autism Module back to Todd Lewicki.</li> <li>• Steve will go to the CEOs to determine whether a data use agreement needs to be in place before MSHN can resume submitting BH-TEDS on behalf of CCBHCs.</li> <li>• Steve will set up a possible in-person meeting for ITC this spring.</li> </ul>
✓ KEY DATA POINTS/DATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next Meeting is January 21<sup>st</sup>, Remote</li> </ul>