



Region 5 - Regional Medical Directors Meeting

Friday, January 17, 2025, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Meeting Materials: [01-17-2025 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, Liz Philpott (MSHN Integrated Healthcare Administrator)

Bay:

CEI: Dr. Stanley

Central: Dr. Janssen

Gratiot: Dr. Rangwani

Huron: Dr. Edler

Lifeways:

Montcalm:

Newaygo:

Saginaw:

Shiawassee:

Right Door:

Tuscola: Dr. Movva

Guests:

KEY DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Welcome & Roll Call/New Member
2. Review and Approve November minutes, Additions to Agenda. New FY25 meeting dates above
3. Beacon Sandhurst (Youth Crisis Residential) Ramon Beltran (If #3 not available: Update: CFA&P Waiver Language)
4. Introducing Liz Philpott, Integrated Health Administrator
5. MSHN Strategic Plan 2025-2026
6. SUD Screening Process (not available-postponing report)
7. MDHHS Neuropsych Testing Policy

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				
<p>Announcements</p> <p>3- Replaced by Topic, Update: CFA&P Waiver Language</p>	<p>The RMD indicated interest in meeting in person annually. Dr. Rangwani offered his Healthy Transitions location in Alma.</p> <p>Dr. Edler announced that this meeting is her last. She will be retiring from Huron Behavioral Health and Dr. Habib (telehealth) will be the upcoming medical director for Huron.</p> <p>Beacon Sandhurst was not available to attend the Regional Medical Director’s meeting. Will look at a future date.</p> <p>Reviewed the summary of Conflict Free Access & Planning updates to the C-waivers and 1915(i). There are concerns with how these changes will place a burden on staff while the CMHs are struggling with budget issues and staff shortages. There are also changes to how consumers have to be given choice of services. The CEOs will discuss CFA&P at the next Ops meeting.</p>				
	No further follow up until MDHHS shares CFA&P guidance.	By Who		By When	
<p>4-Introducing Liz Philpott, Integrated Health Administrator</p>	<p>Introduced Liz to the group. She discussed her experience and what she has worked on with integrated care.</p>				
<p>5- MSHN 25-26 Strategic Plan Input</p>	<p>The medical directors offered input into the strategic plan. Notes were included in the strategic plan during the meeting.</p>				
<p>6- SUD Screening Process (postponed)</p>	<p>Carrying this forward from the November meeting. SUD and what/how screening process is like and status across the region.</p>				
	This item was postponed.	By Who		By When	
<p>7-MDHHS Neuropsych Testing</p>	<p>Regarding PIHP responsibility to pay for all neuropsych testing. The PIHP UM Directors submitted a letter of advocacy to MDHHS outlining their concerns about this blanket policy with no response after a few months. This is creating issues of individuals not being able to access basic testing for things like ADHD if they don't meet SMI/SED criteria to be served through CMHSPs. MSHN would like to see if the Medical</p>				

Directors would be willing to jointly co-sign/endorse additional advocacy with MDHHS.

This issue was briefly discussed. The medical directors agreed that this is an issue but wanted to review the information further. Time ran out in the meeting to fully cover. Skye will be asked to follow up with members via email.

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