

REGIONAL OPERATIONS COUNCIL/CEO MEETING

Key Decisions and Required Action

Date: 03/17/2025

Members Present: Chris Pinter; Ryan Painter; Maribeth Leonard; Carol Mills; Julie Majeske; Tracey Dore; Tammy Warner; Kerry Possehn; Michelle Stillwagon; Bryan Krogman; Sara Lurie

Members Absent: Sandy Lindsey;

MSHN Staff Present: Joseph Sedlock; Amanda Ittner; Leslie Thomas, For applicable topic: Alan Bolter

Agenda Item	Action Required				
CONSENT AGENDA	No items removed for discussion				
	Received and acknowledged	By Who	N/A	By When	N/A
ALAN BOLTER, REGIONAL COLLECTIVE IMPACT ADVOCACY	<p>Alan Bolter sent out the list of legislators broken down by PIHP/CMH. Alan suggested identifying key folks to target discussion. House: Bierlein (Bay, Saginaw and Region10) Schuette (Midland), Lansing, O’Neil, Tim Kelly, Green Senate: Anthony, Singh, Hauck Suggest CMHSPs arrange for County Boards of Commissioners to send resolutions to their legislators (Alan will attempt to secure a sample resolution for us to build on). Setting up meetings with key legislators and try to paint a picture of the revenue shortfalls, and then what’s happening in their local community. MSHN will create a one-page with regional financial information and distribute it for CMH use in local meetings and local board resolutions.</p>				
	J. Sedlock will send out one-page information	By Who	J. Sedlock	By When	3-31-25
PIHP REBID – EARLY/INITIAL DISCUSSION <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Project/Initiative/Operational Suspension, Continuation Completion Decision Criteria (Draft) 2. Positioning for Successful Procurement Participation? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Board Support for exploratory activities b. Review existing MSHN Policy (General Mgmt: CMHSP) 	<p>CMHs reviewed the projects and operations evaluation criteria drafted by MSHN and supports the criteria within. Group discussed the Strategic planning and regional project status.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the topics identified, including possible scenarios and requirements that could be included in the upcoming PIHP procurement.</p> <p>Operations Council acknowledged all of the unknowns and discussed several possible configurations MDHHS may pursue. Operations Council sees no current need to revisit our General Management Policy on CMHSP application/assignment to this region – at least not until additional procurement parameters are known.</p> <p>All acknowledged that the formation of the regional entity is by the constituent CMHSPs and that any changes to the composition of MSHN/Region 5 would require changes to the bylaws and operating agreements. There is openness to doing this if it will preserve the core of this region and to continue MSHN’s operations.</p>				

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<p>application/assignment to MSHN region)</p> <p>c. Regional Entity foundations (Operating Agreement, Bylaws); potential MHC change(s)</p> <p>d. Potential for changes to delegation of managed care functions</p> <p>e. Potential for changes to governance structure</p>	<p>There was broad acknowledgement that MDHHS may require significant changes to what is/is not delegated, potential to change governance requirements, potential to consolidate to fewer PIHPs, and other considerations. While details are not known, the Operations Council supports MSHN pursuing and positioning itself to be a successful participant and bidder in the procurement process. As details emerge, further dialog will be needed in order to make the most informed decisions moving forward.</p>				
	<p>The topic will be ongoing agenda item for update, discussion and planning, including a list of regional project status.</p>	<p>By Who</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>By When</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>SCHEDULING: May Ops Council Meeting (Keep as in-person? Videoconference?)</p>	<p>Group supported a move to virtual due to other conferences in May.</p>				
	<p>Joe will revise the invite to include virtual</p>	<p>By Who</p>	<p>J. Sedlock</p>	<p>By When</p>	<p>4.15.25</p>
<p>LLBSW Pre-Admission Screenings</p>	<p>M. Stillwagon requested feedback on the memo regarding the limit of qualifications for credentialing of LLBSW. A memo came out in October to expend it until the end of March. C. Mills requested the option to grandfather but was denied by MDHHS this week. Per MDHHS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> While LLBSW’s cannot provide the screens, there are at least a couple of different ways that a LLBSW and a licensed at least Master’s level clinician can complete the preadmission screens. At least Masters’ level staff are required because LBSWs per their license aren’t allowed to diagnose, and the PAR requires a diagnosis. 				
	<p>Discussion and planning</p>	<p>By Who</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>By When</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>FINANCIAL UPDATE</p>	<p>S. Lurie requested an update on the regional financial position.</p> <p>Financial position hasn’t changed. Joe, Leslie and Amanda meeting with CMHs through March to discuss. We’ve requested updates on cost containment plans. MSHN meeting with MDHHS this week; will distribute slide deck after the meeting. MSHN will provide an update in April. We will also have the service use analysis including a comparison from the previous year.</p> <p>PIHP CFO’s gathering information statewide to submit to MDHHS prior to May recertification.</p>				

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	All information has been submitted to Wakely, including 2yrs of EQI and FSRs. 4 of 5 PIHPs (so far) are in the same financial position as MSHN.				
	Distribute MDHHS slide deck	By Who	J. Sedlock	By When	03/31/2025