

**Southeastern Regional MH/DD/SAS
Provider Community Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2005**

Providers Present: 35

LME Staff Present: 16

Gary Allen, Contracts Manager called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. He asked that all providers in attendance stand and introduce themselves. Gary announced that there would be a Town Hall meeting in Raleigh, tonight May 4, 2005 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. He also announced the LME Academy Training: Training for Residential Treatment Providers: Supporting the system of Care sponsored by NC Council of Community Programs to be held May 17th and 18th – handouts of this event were provided to all interested providers.

Jennifer Dunham of the Service Management Division conducted a presentation on Person Centered Planning. Jennifer informed providers that there would be Person Centered Planning Conference and Training June 20 – 22, 2005 (handout was available) and there was a number on the handout for information (704-432-2077). Jennifer informed the providers that the Person Centered Plan is the foundation of reform. It is the process of determining real life outcomes and developing strategies to achieve those outcomes. It is important to include people who are important in the person's life in developing this plan. She went over some of the information that should be in a Person Centered Plan.

Sue Locklear conducted a short NC SNAPP review on the DD Checklist to the providers. This tool is geared toward providers of DD services. Sue informed the group that she would be conducting NC SNAPP training on May 25, 2005.

Leslie Epps went over the referral process to Day By Day Treatment Center and a brief overview of Day By Day's substance abuse services.

Dionne Hall – Cumberland County Mental Health, Communication Specialist for the Hearing Impaired, presented information to the providers on devices and services for the hearing impaired. She is available to assist with any interpreting services. Her phone number at Cumberland County Mental Health is 910-323-0601.

Regina McRae and Ken Steele of the Geriatrics Specialty Team informed the providers about their services and that the team is available to conduct presentations and training on the geriatric population.

Gary informed the providers that there were plans to have IPRS and target population training in the near future. He also asked how many providers would be able to provide

Community Supports under the new service definitions. Also at the June 1, 2005 meeting, someone from DHHS will be conducting ethics training. He announced that within the next week, a Performing Provider Profile Form will be mailed to the providers and that form must be completed and returned to the LME immediately

There was some discussion about Mental Health Reform and Community Based Services in the schools. Caroline explained that as of July 1, 2005, there would no longer be CBS in the schools and that Dr. Purdy was in the process of meeting with all the school superintendents and principals with respect to this.

Gary thanked Cross Creek Group Homes for providing refreshments. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1, 2005 at 1:30 pm.

Submitted by,

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