

Comprehensive Access Network

January 28, 2008

1: Present: Jennifer Dube, Rebecca Bialecki, Fred Redekop, Bonnie Frank Hume, Kathleen Hardie, James Keevan, Nick Fleisher, Joanne Woodcock, Margaret Soussloff, Kevin Weir, Jacque Carl

2: Unable to Attend: Diane Praplaski, Brian Gordon, Danna Boughton, Judy Asermely, Lanny Eder

Agenda Items/ Discussions:

1: Announcements:

a. Valuing Our Children: The School of Public Health at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst has notified Kathleen Hardie that they have interns available and are looking for internships. If anyone is interested please contact Kathleen directly for more information at 978-249-8467.

b. MBHP: The DSS Health Medical Team is in the process of hiring new Regional Nurses; Kevin Weir has more information if needed.

c. MBHP: MCPAP Program, Dr. Betsy Brooks from Holyoke Pediatrics will be working with Regional Pediatrics who may have questions regarding screening children for mental health needs.

d. MBHP: ESP (Emergency Service Program) is up for procurement.

e. DSS: The DSS Health and Medical Service Team are pleased to announce the hiring of six Regional Nurses. The nurses will have orientation and training for 3 weeks at the central office, the anticipated date for the nurses to start in the region as of January 28, 2008.

f. NCHS: James Keevan from North Central Human Service Agency announced that they are in need of Masters Level Clinicians, if anyone is interested please contact him at 978-632-9400.

g. CSO: Clinical Support Options has temporarily closed the SOAP program due to lack of referral, they are hoping to reopen it mid February.

2. Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts:

Rebecca will be submitting the letter of intent requesting funding to continue the support of all the partners of the Comprehensive Access Network. This funding will consist of funds to assist the families in navigation through the system, continued trainings of partners, and support of families.

Next Meeting

**Date: Monday February 25, 2008 10-11:30 am
Athol Memorial Hospital**