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Hello!

Welcome to the *ODM 2022 Press*, previously called the *ODM Managed Care Procurement Press*, a short periodic update on the progress of the Ohio Department of

Medicaid (ODM) strategic initiatives.

You are receiving this newsletter because you have requested to receive periodic updates about ODM's strategic initiatives, responded to one or both of our Requests for Information (RFIs), met with ODM Team members to provide feedback, or partnered with us in a listening session.

Thank you for taking time to provide your ideas and feedback! Through this time of uncertainty and need for many Ohioans, and into the future, we continue to focus on the individual rather than the business of managed care. We want to do better for the people we serve.

Feel free to distribute the information contained within this update to your colleagues, organization's members, or with anyone who you think might find it useful. We want all Ohioans to know what is going on with ODM's strategic initiatives.

Please also encourage anyone who you think might be interested in receiving similar updates to send us an email at MCProcurement@medicaid.ohio.gov.

OhioRISE Stakeholder Engagement: Advisory Council & Workgroups
The OhioRISE team has been engaging with key stakeholders to optimize program development. This integral work involves local partners from multiple child-serving systems across Ohio. To work in partnership with stakeholders, ODM organized an OhioRISE Advisory Council with Workgroups to support the development of the new

and enhanced services to meet children and youth's needs across multiple systems. Each brings a different perspective to serve this population.

The purpose of the OhioRISE Advisory Council and Workgroups is to offer specific advise, expert opinions and suggestions to directors and staff regarding the OhioRISE program; provide clinical and programmatic input on key components of new and enhanced services; review rule development and changes; and provide critical technical feedback regarding initial implementation activities and OhioRISE operations.

Nearly 130 Advisory Council and Workgroup members participate in OhioRISE discussions. These individuals represent behavioral health, people with lived experience, child welfare, developmental disabilities, juvenile justice, and more. In collaboration, the stakeholder meetings include Aetna Better Health of Ohio (the OhioRISE Managed Care Organization), the new Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health Center of Excellence, and the state health and human service agencies. Since January, stakeholders have held 20 meetings to learn about OhioRISE and share experiences, expert advice, and make recommendations to support efforts to ensure OhioRISE best serves children and families.

The Advisory Council meets monthly and the following are ongoing OhioRISE Workgroups:

- Mobile Response and Stabilization (MRSS) Workgroup: Providing experience on current MRSS programs across the state and offering feedback to improve the service.
- Intensive Home-Based Treatment (IHBT) Workgroup: Sharing insights on workforce and team structures to enhance the service.

- Ohio Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Assessment and Care Coordination Workgroup: Reviewing proposed Ohio CANS assessment tool, care coordination services, and eligibility and enrollment.
- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF) Workgroup: Developing PRTFs in Ohio as a new kind of residential treatment service providing high-quality inpatient-level behavioral health care.

We are all a part of a team working to build OhioRISE, including stakeholders. It is essential to connect with those it will impact, providers of the new and enhances services, and local communities that engage with multi-system youth to be ready to implement and operationalize OhioRISE in January 2022.

If you are interested in attending an upcoming stakeholder meeting or want to learn more about stakeholder engagement opportunities, please reach out to Kelly Smith on the OhioRISE team at Kelly.Smith@medicaid.ohio.gov.

In the coming months, the OhioRISE Advisory Council and Workgroups will be continuing work on the CANS assessment, PRTF, and service development. They will also be commencing the Implementation and Operations Workgroups. You can find the members selected to be in the Advisory Council here and the presentation for the kickoff OhioRISE Stakeholder meeting on December 18, 2020 here.

Stay tuned for more information about OhioRISE in future editions of *The ODM 2022 Press* and visit the OhioRISE page on managedcare.medicaid.ohio.gov for updates and additional information.

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Announcing the Community-Based Credentialing Committee Members

Please join us in welcoming the Community-based Credentialing Committee Members. The members will serve as part of our Credentialing Committee which will be chaired by ODM's Chief Medical Officers and consist of a diverse provider group that will include managed care organization (MCO) and Maximus Credentials Verification Organization (CVO) representatives. This committee has been set up as part of our centralized credentialing initiative, which will be taking back the credentialing functions from the MCOs and centralizing them at ODM. In this fashion, we will ease administrative burden on the provider community by removing the need to go through separate credentialing processes for each MCO.

Purpose and Mission

The Centralized Credentialing Committee is responsible for reviewing the history and qualifications of independently-licensed providers who wish to partner with Ohio Medicaid. Utilizing their expertise, they will give thoughtful consideration to the credentials of providers with past issues that may affect quality of care. For example, this can include prior licensure actions, prior clinical privilege actions, or excessive malpractice claims. The committee's main purpose and mission is to protect our members by ensuring they receive the highest quality of care possible.

Dr. Timothy Husted

Dr. Husted brings over 30 years of general surgery experience and has worked with the Toledo Clinic since 1991.

Dr. Dana Vallangeon

Dr. Vallangeon is a family medicine/addiction medicine doctor with 20 years of experience working with MAT and FHQCs. She is one of the founders of Lower Lights Christian Health Center.

Stephen Roller, CNP

Stephen is currently the Chief Clinical Officer for Primary Health Solutions, located in the Oxford area. He brings a myriad of experience with FQHCs and working with traditionally underserved populations.

Staci Swenson LISW

Staci has been practicing as an LISW for the past 20 years and brings experience both in the academic realm as well as the clinical. She teaches social work courses at the Ohio State University and serves as director of behavioral health and social work for Primary One Health.

Dr. Eileen McGee

As well as serving as a clinical instructor at Case Western Reserve, she has practiced in the field of psychiatry, pediatrics, and child psychiatry for the past 40 years.

Dr. Andrew Highberger

Dr. Highberger started his initial practice as an anesthesiologist, and in 2014 transitioned over to addiction medicine. He serves as the Medical Director of addiction services at Shepherd Hill.

For additional information about centralized credentialing, visit the centralized credentialing page of managedcare.medicaid.ohio.gov. For specific questions about centralized credentialing, please reach out to credentialing@medicaid.ohio.gov.

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