



Charlotte Burch and Ric Browne, Co-Chairs

**Quality Improvement Committee
Meeting Summary**

Meeting Date: Friday, May 7th, 2010
Start Time: 8:55 a.m.
End Time: 10:40 a.m.
Location: The Greek Olive, New Haven
Presiding Chair: Ric Browne
Recorder: Tracy Kulik

Summary of Committee Business Votes

1. Approval of December 4, 2009 minutes

Council Member Assignments:

1. Review results of Monday, May 3rd presentation on 'Evidence Based Approaches to Substance Abuse and consider in light of refined Standards of Care.
2. Attend Wednesday, May 26th wrap-up (Super-Pod) of refinement of Standards of Care for Mental Health and Substance Abuse

Staff Member Assignments:

1. Formalize Standard of Care for Mental Health
2. Prepare for next meeting on May 26th
3. Reposition next QIC meeting for June 4th (vs. July) to review 2010 Site Visits, Forms, Data Collection focus

Attendance Record – 2010

Committee Members	5/7	7/2	9/3	11/5	1/7	2/4
Adaline DeMarrais	√					
Beverly Leach						
Brian Datcher						
Charlotte Burch (Co-Chair)	√					
Christine Romanik	√					
Clara Ramos						
Dennis Torres						
Jennifer Loschiavo	√					
Joanne Montgomery	√					
Krystle Moore						
Loif Mitchell (Council Co-Chair)						
Ric Browne (Co-Chair)	√					
Richard Coover (Began as of 4/1)						
Robert Sideleau	√					
Roberta Stewart						
Tom Kidder (Council Co-Chair)	√					
Other Attendees						
Ryan White Office	√					
Planning Council Staff	√					
Other Participants	Dr. Barakat, Nick Boschnack, Sandy Gossart-Walker, Luz Gonzalez, Brian Kuerze, Richard Smith, Ken Teel, Dr. Valentine, Mary Walton, Glen Wolff					

Ryan White EMA Planning Council

New Haven and Fairfield Counties



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(1.0) Moment of Silence

Ric Browne called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m. A moment of silence was observed in recognition of all who have been affected by HIV/AIDS.

(2.0) Welcome and Introduction

Committee members introduced themselves, followed by attendees of the QI Super-Pod.

(3.0) Co-Chair Announcements

(1) An electronic copy of the presentation from Monday, May 3rd will be distributed by Tracy to all attendees via email.

(2) A pdf containing the two appendices (articles) from the Institute of Medicine related to Mental Health and HIV/Substance Abuse and HIV will be distributed via email to all attendees.

(4.0) Approval of December 4th, 2009 Meeting Summary

Bob Sideleau moved that the minutes of the December 4th Quality Improvement Committee meeting summary be approved. Joanne Montgomery seconded the motion.

For: 5 (Charlotte Burch, Chris Romanik, Joanne Montgomery, Bob Sideleau, Tom Kidder)

Abstain: 1 (Ric Browne-chair)

(5.0) New Business/Old Business

a. Review Quality Improvement PCAT

The PCAT stated that a) QM Plan update for 2010 will occur and b) Standards of Care will be reviewed. Both items were discussed and completed

b. a. Discuss ramifications of Monday, May 3rd lecture on Scientific-Based Provision of Behavioral Health services to (1) Current Substance Abuse Standard of Care

Key points from this lecture included: 1) Need to incorporate cognitive issues (vs. traditional focus on behavioral) 2) Pharmacologic treatment of Mental Illness 3) Need to meet clients where they are at and provide them evidence of their prognosis realizing that relapse and recurrence is a part of this disease 4) Major outcomes are to Attend Substance Abuse services and to Stay in HIV medical care

Discussion focused on the resistance of the Mental Health Standard of Care to demonstrate improvement and the admission that the current Standards is more of a documentation guideline (see accompanying presentation displaying 5-year SoC performance for all core services and summary points from Institute of Medicine report on Mental Health and HIV.) The group brainstormed a new Standard of Care based on the discussion (see attached DRAFT Standard) which will be formally ratified at the June 4th QIC meeting prior to 2010 Site Visits).

c. Review Quality Improvement Committee Plan for 2010

A copy of the 2009 QIC Plan was reviewed with the recommendation that Tracy update the 2010 plan to reflect current activities. That will be distributed with next month's meeting (now June 4th) to accompany all 2010 Chart Audit Tools and updated Standards of Care.

(6.0) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. **The next meeting is on Friday, June 4 from 9-11 a.m.**