

## ***FYI Fridays***

### **(Policy Guidance and DBH Updates)**

March 23, 2018

DBH

1. **Budget Update** – The legislators have been on spring break this week. Upon their return next week, the appropriation bills should be heard on the House floor. Once passed on the House floor they will go to the Senate appropriations committee for their recommendations. As of right now DBH has been appropriated \$3M for recovery services, \$1.6M for Peer Recovery Coaches in emergency departments, \$1M for Eastern Region, and \$1M for Youth BH Treatment and Training Pilot Program in the Eastern Region.
2. **CCBHC** – CCBHCs and DMH continue testing the new Claims Validation System (CVS). Quality Bonus Payments (QBPs) will be made to CCBHCs by June. DBH is currently reviewing shadow claims to determine if performance measures are met to receive a QBP. DMH and Mercer are starting to work with providers to become CCBHCs in FY 2020.
3. **STR Update** – Year one ends April 30, 2018. To date, 1,496 consumers have been enrolled with 1,119 active consumers. Thirty-eight (38) separate treatment **sites** from 14 agencies are currently accessing STR dollars. The 8<sup>th</sup> Opioid Crisis Management Team (OCMT) training is scheduled for June 26 in Kansas City. A series of three webinars are being created related to the Medication First model. The first was on psychosocial interventions in the medical treatment of OUD (<https://youtu.be/fm4OKbcMfiU>). The second was on the realities of setting up a clinic (<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3508516703662603778>). The last webinar is set for April 2 and will focus on buprenorphine induction. The training team has provided 68 total consultations to 54 different treatment agencies on the Medication First model and OUD treatment using medications. While there are news articles getting national attention regarding the relative underspending of STR funds, Missouri anticipates expending 75% of the first year dollars...not bad given the staged rollout of treatment dollars and the bid/award process for recovery community centers. The anticipated federal budget doubles the STR dollars for year two, but much more information is needed before talking about any plan revisions.
4. **CSS to CSS Supervisor** – DBH has outlined draft guidance on a career ladder for community support specialists to become community support supervisors within the CPR and CSTAR programs. After an internal vetting at DBH, a handful of providers are now reviewing and will be providing feedback. Once any questions or issues are resolved, the DBH will put forth a clinical bulletin or memo outlining requirements. The new policy/procedures would be effective upon publication of the memo. MHD and MMAC will be notified.
5. **Justice Reinvestment Initiative** – Legislation is still pending, but the DBH has started working with the Department of Corrections and the Council of State Governments (CSG) on the development of a pilot program for offenders with SUD who are at high risk for re-offending. The performance-based payment

program will require care coordination, peer support services, along with supported housing (in addition to accessing the full menu of treatment services as appropriate). The aims of the initiative are to improve community SUD services for offenders to support sustained recovery and, ultimately, prevent the need for prison expansion in MO. Specific outcomes of focus will include criminal activity/arrests, employment, housing, and abstinence.

6. **Crisis Intervention Team Conference (CIT)** – The 4<sup>th</sup> annual state-wide CIT conference was held this week with over 500 in attendance. Law enforcement officers from police departments, sheriff departments, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol attended along with staff from the Department of Corrections and various mental health providers.
  
7. **Buprenorphine Waiver Trainings: No-Cost Half & Half | THREE LOCATIONS | MAT Waiver Training** Opioid STR, in partnership with the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare, is providing an 8-hour MAT Waiver Course. This course is different from the traditional 8-hour live course, as the first 4 hours will be in person and second 4 hours will be individual online work. Once you complete the first 4-hour live training, you will receive an email from AAAP with a link for the other 4 hours of individual work. Once that work is completed, they will send you a certificate of completion.

**Scheduled Trainings** (all trainings are 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.):

1. May 12, 2018 | Columbia, MO | Register online now:  
<https://katiehorst.wufoo.com/forms/z1tvvupa07i2szu/>
2. June 2, 2018 | St. Louis, MO | Register online now:  
<https://katiehorst.wufoo.com/forms/znhsvbd1udf6xi/>
3. September 29, 2018 | Kansas City, MO | Register online now:  
<https://katiehorst.wufoo.com/forms/z1h3ax300k39net/>

*Note that while medical residents can take the waiver training, they will not be able to apply until they have a personal DEA number and an unrestricted medical license.*

*If you obtain your buprenorphine waiver following this course, you (or your agency) are likely eligible to receive \$500 reimbursement for your time.*

***Look for updates on different topics/initiatives next Friday!***