**Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) Updates for**

**The September 28th, 2016 CWHP Consortium Meeting**

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**General**

* The CCS Coordinator position formerly held by Cheryl Lofton has been filled by Danielle Graham-Heine. Danielle has been assigned to serve several counties across the state, including the 6 counties in our regional CCS.
* The Wisconsin Department of Health Services announced a new Medicaid Director and Administrator of the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability; replacing Kevin Moore. Following is a link to the news release: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/news/releases/092016.htm>
* The “Partnering for a Healthier Central Wisconsin” video that Sarah Grosshuesch referenced in her 9/27 email is posted on the homepage of the CWHP website: <http://www.cwhpartnership.org/>

**QI Committee**

*For additional information on the committee’s work please visit:* <http://www.cwhpartnership.org/qi-subcommittee.html>

* Quality improvement efforts statewide and in our 6-county region have been focused largely on the results of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) CCS program audits that occurred statewide.
* The statewide CCS meeting was held on September 7th in Wausau. Dan, Lori, and others representing our region attended sessions and brought back material on several topics including but not limited to quality improvement and AODA assessment tools.
* Lori attended the northeast regional CCS meeting sponsored by the northeast regional DHS administration office. Langeston Hughes, Danielle Graham-Heine, regional DHS staff, and a representative from the Division of Quality Assurance attended and answered questions related to clarifying various aspects of DHS 36.
* The QI committee continues its efforts to regionalize processes and forms as much as possible.

**Training**

*For additional information on the committee’s work please visit:* <http://www.cwhpartnership.org/training-subcommittee.html>

* Upcoming trainings:
	+ October 5th, Overview of First Episode Psychosis – Dr. Rick Immler; Montello
	+ November 2nd, Consumer Centered Assessment - hands on review of process and form – Lori Martin and others
	+ December 14th, Recovery-Orientated Concepts in CCS - Maria Hanson, Certified Peer Specialist – Mendota Mental Health Institute; and either Donna Riemer or Laleña Lampe, DMHSAS; Adams/Friendship
	+ The NE regional DHS office is sponsoring a trauma-informed practice workshop for CCS service facilitators to be held on November 16th in either Appleton or Green Bay. Shannon Kelly, Deputy Director of Waupaca County DHHS, will be facilitating the workshop.
* The training committee has also been focusing on provider development and shared services; recent efforts include:
	+ Updates to the provider orientation page on the website: (<http://www.cwhpartnership.org/ccs-orientation.html>).
	+ Development of new CCS providers including equine-assisted therapy, and Two Friends Healing Arts who have experience providing alternative therapies to adults with mental health and AODA needs.

**CCS Regional Coordinating Committee (RCC)**

*For additional information on the committee’s work, please visit:* <http://www.cwhpartnership.org/regional-coordinating-committee.html>

* The CCS RCC is meeting next Wednesday, October 5th. Danielle Graham-Heine is planning to attend with Sally Raschick (also with the Division of Care and Treatment Services).
* A workgroup that includes several consumers representing Marquette and Waushara Counties have been meeting to develop a RCC handbook for existing and new members. The original focus was on consumers, but the handbook can be considered a resource for any committee member. A draft has been completed and will be discussed at next meetings RCC meeting. Local CCS coordinating committees can then use the handbook as a guide for developing their own local handbooks.