

Provider Forum  
Beaufort County Community College  
Building 8 Auditorium  
March 25, 2009

Fonda Gonzales gave a review of the agenda and the comfort agreement and rules for the meeting.

System of Care are presented by Nancy Wells and Sadie Gurley  
(brochures and a power point handout were given to providers)

- a. What is it
- b. How does it affect providers
- c. Summary of projects awarded funding by System of Care

#### National Accreditation

1. 3/20/09—3 year date for obtaining national accreditation has passed.
2. If you have not submitted copy of national accreditation certificate to the LME, it is very crucial to do so ASAP.
3. Failure to meet deadlines with accreditation can affect your agency's status of endorsement
4. If accredited then agency has met criteria ( #53)
5. Agencies enrolled after 7/01/08 with DMA will have only one year (365 days) to obtain accreditation.
6. CAP-MR/DD Waiver Services-new waiver 11/01/08. (#52)
7. If already accredited-the agency can wait until renewal of accreditation to add CAP, but must inform accrediting body of the new services

#### Essential Partner Survey

1. Coming out mid-April using survey monkey versus paper form as has been used in the past
2. Survey needs to use technology available to be more effective and efficient
3. Survey will only be 7-8, please complete

#### First Commitment Waiver-Mike Kupecki

1. 6 Pilot Sites in NC
2. Allows for credential staff to complete 1<sup>st</sup> evaluation in the community rather than the ER

#### Tele-psychiatry – Mike Kupecki

1. Dept of Psychiatric Medicine & Brody School of Medicine is hub for largest psychiatric practice in NC
2. ECU will develop protocols for telemedicine
3. 3 FETs of psychiatrists—will assign a project coordinator
4. Scheduling will be centralized by ECU; routine, crisis or emergency
5. Patient visits-buying psychiatrist's time
6. Providers can also buy time from ECU at a reduced rate
7. Psychiatrists must keep the current psychiatric capacity
8. The time purchased must be used for new clients only

9. Provider site will have a SW, RN or other credential staff to support the physician
10. Required equipment should be installed within next 30-60 days
11. Goal is to increase psychiatric resources in the communities
12. State Hospital admissions (Cherry Hospital) have decreased from 58 a month in 2006 to 17 a month in March 2009
13. This also indicates an improvement in the competency of the provider network

Walk-in Crisis Center—Mike Kupecki

1. Ray G. Silverthorne has walk-in capacity now
2. New 3-way contract for \$8.1 million

There will not be a Provider meeting in April. The next meeting will be held in May 2006. The date will be sent out in the MCO Alert when scheduled.