

Evaluation/Quality Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes

Beacon Health, 9244 Mentor Ave., Mentor

March 10, 2014

5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Frank Sarosy	Chair
Dione DeMitro	
Roberta Kalb	
Douglas Klier	
Joanne Zeroske	

Members Absent:

Dr. Gail Fedak

Staff Present:

Christine Lakomiak	Director of Quality & Clinical Operations
Kelly Tuttle	Secretary/Receptionist

Guests:

Laura Corrigan	Beacon Health
Spence Kline	Beacon Health
Kathy Popp	Beacon Health
Laurie Rider	Beacon Health
Minda Brown-Jaramillo	Beacon Health
Megan Bileci	Beacon Health
Tim Kehres	Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Jim Clements	Catholic Charities Services
Dan Porter	Crossroads
Sandra Langenderfer	Extended Housing
Larry Kappler	Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers, Inc.
Josie Jones	Lake Health
Christi Farmer	NAMI
Carole Jazbec	NAMI
Sunny Dhillon	NBHS
Paul Brickman	Signature Health

Mr. Sarosy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and introductions took place.

Quality Improvement Review of Beacon Health Mr. Kline reported the mission of Beacon Health is to empower adults with mental illness and substance use disorders to live, learn, work and participate fully in family and community. The agency came into existence after the consolidation of Neighboring and Pathways; combining core services to produce a one-stop organization better suited to serve consumers.

Mr. Kline highlighted the following accomplishments:

- On July 1, 2012 Neighboring and Pathways became one legal entity. Their Boards of Directors were blended into one cohesive & functional unit and the two staffs were blended into a new culture. Financial and accounting systems were integrated along with HR and they unified

differing payroll cycles. New policies, procedures and forms were created using a blend of what was best from each of the agencies.

- The name Beacon Health was chosen and they initiated the re-branding of the agency through marketing materials, brochures, a new logo, etc.
- Client and service data was migrated into one electronic health record and their three sites were connected to one network.
- They continue to collaborate and partner with agencies such as: NAMI, the Prosecutor's office, Crossroads, Catholic Charities Services, Lake County Coalition on Housing & Support, Council on Aging, Law Enforcement, Local Courts, Probate and Job & Family Services.
- The agency is still at two locations.

Challenges...

- Adapting to healthcare changes. i.e.: Affordable Care Act, Managed Care and Medicaid Expansion.
- How do they develop a "Beacon Health" culture after blending two staffs?

Mr. Kline thanked the Board for their support and confidence. Without the Board's investment the new location would not be possible.

Mr. Kline reviewed a sketch of the exterior view of Beacon Health's new site. He noted that it is 34,000 square feet and they will be reusing what they can from the other facilities. After the meeting is adjourned he asked that everyone walk down to the main entrance to tour the new site and view interior sketches of what the facility will look like after it is built out.

Ms. Lakomiak conducted the agency's Contract Compliance Review and found them in full compliance. She reminded there was no comparison data from the prior fiscal year because SFY13 was their first year of operation.

As there was no further discussion, Ms. Zeroske moved to recommend to the full Board that they accept Beacon Health's Quality Improvement plan as presented. Seconded by Mr. Klier, the Motion Passed Unanimously.

As there was no further business, Mr. Klier moved for adjournment at 6:02 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Zeroske, the Motion Passed Unanimously.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 12, 2014 at 5:30 p.m., at the Lake County ADAMHS Board