

Quarterly Report on activities by CMHSPs to form regional partnerships

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- A. As stated last quarter, MDCH staff have continued to provide technical assistance forums regarding regional partnerships as requested by CMHSPs. The frequency of these forums in the past quarter has diminished as the make up of the partnerships appears somewhat more stable. There are still a few CMHSPs that have either not made a commitment to a particular partnership, or are engaging in the development of a partnership, but its not solidified at this writing. The remainder of this report gives a summary of the status as of the date of the report.
- B. Listing and status of Affiliations: (the lead or hub CMHSP is asterisked when known)
1. The entire Upper Peninsula has formed a partnership among the five (5) CMHSPs, and this appears to be on track.
 - a. Gogebic CMHSP
 - b. Copper CMHSP
 - c. Pathways CMHSP *
 - d. Northpointe CMHSP
 - e. Hiawatha CMHSP
 2. The NE part of the mitten consists of the following CMHSPs, and the Sub Abuse Coordinating Agency in that region. This affiliation has been together for quite a while.
 - a. Northern CMHSP *
 - b. Northeast CMHSP
 - c. Antrim-Kalkaska CMHSP
 - d. AuSable CMHSP
 - e. Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services
 3. The NW part of the mitten consists of the following CMHSPs. Manistee-Benzie is the newest member of this affiliation, and there is still development on-going in this regard.
 - a. Great Lakes
 - b. North Central
 - c. Manistee-Benzie

4. The Access Alliance is a partnership that has been together for quite a while and seems well developed. This group includes Montcalm CMHSP, which is not contiguous except for statutory language in the current year appropriation act.
 - a. Bay-Arenac CMHSP *
 - b. Huron CMHSP
 - c. Tuscola CMHSP
 - d. Montcalm CMHSP
5. As of October 1, 2001, the Central Michigan CMHSP and Midland-Gladwin CMHSP merged into a single CMHSP (CMH of Central Michigan).
6. Muskegon * and Ottawa CMHSPs have developed a county-level agreement to partner.
7. Newaygo CMHSP has joined Gratiot and Ionia CMHSPs to affiliate with the Clinton-Eaton-Ingham CMHSP. Newaygo is contiguous, only with the statutory exception in the current year appropriation.
 - a. Newaygo CMHSP
 - b. Gratiot CMHSP
 - c. Ionia CMHSP
 - d. CEI CMHSP *
8. The M-23 corridor partnership continues to develop around Washtenaw CMHSP. This group has been organized for quite a while.
 - a. Shiawassee CMHSP
 - b. Livingston CMHSP
 - c. Washtenaw CMHSP *
 - d. Lenawee CMHSP
 - e. Monroe CMHSP
9. The Thumb partnership consists of the following CMHSPs. It has been together for quite a while.
 - a. Sanilac
 - b. Lapeer
 - c. St. Clair *

10. The Venture group is a group of 5 CMHSPs that have been organized for a couple years at least.
 - a. Berrien CMHSP
 - b. Van Buren CMHSP
 - c. Barry CMHSP
 - d. Summit Pointe CMHSP *
 - e. Pines CMHSP

11. The SW partnership has evolved over the past six months or so and appears on track.
 - a. Allegan CMHSP
 - b. Kalamazoo CMHSP *
 - c. Woodlands CMHSP
 - d. St. Joseph CMHSP

12. West Michigan has struggled to develop a lasting partnership. Their recent attempt to affiliate with Kent CMHSP was not successful. West Michigan is exploring options and expects to resolve this matter during the present quarter. Their options are limited, but they could join an existing partnership, or draw surrounding CMHSPs together to form another affiliation.

13. The following seven (7) CMHSPs are of sufficient size and are not planning to form partnerships as of the date of this report.
 - a. Kent CMHSP
 - b. Saginaw CMHSP
 - c. Genesee CMHSP
 - d. Macomb CMHSP
 - e. Oakland CMHSP
 - f. Lifeways CMHSP
 - g. Detroit-Wayne CMHSP

C. Next Steps

The MDCH requirements and expectations of CMHSPs and affiliations for next year will become clearer for the CMHSPs when the Implementation Guide and Checklist are published this month. These documents will provide more detail than was available in the past, and we believe this will assist CMHSPs in really focusing their partnership development efforts over the next few months.