



## Meeting Minutes

### 1. Welcome and introductions

**Attendees:** Luke Bowen, *Macomb County EMS Medical Control Authority*; Debbie Condino, *Macomb County EMS Medical Control Authority*; Sheila Coté, *Macomb County Office of Senior Services*; Jay Cutler, *MCHD*; Adrienne Gasperoni, *CARE of SEM*; Nicolette Gjakaj, *MCCMH*; Haley Kehus, *MCHD*; Kevin Kulhanek, *Easterseals*; Whitney Litzner, *MCHD*; Jane Lozen, *Henry Ford Macomb*; Kaitlin Maloziec, *CARE of SEM*; John Pascaretti, *MCCMH*; Annette Perrino, *Operation Rx/MCHD*; Melissa Peters, *Judson Center*; Dawn Radzioch, *MCOSA*; Ryan Reblin, *CARE of SEM*; Lauren Scipione, *MCHD*; Maria Swiatkowski, *MCHD*; Ricki Torsch, *MCOSA*; Patty Wagenhofer, *MyCare Health Center*

### 2. Workgroup review and 2020 progress report

**Jay** reviewed the Community Health Improvement Plan timeline as well as the workgroup's progress since the plan's inception in 2017. With an upcoming Community Health Assessment this year, the workgroup should aim to focus in on what its members aim to accomplish by the end of 2020. Workgroup members prioritized the improvement and promotion of the Behavioral Health Resource Map in the workgroup survey at the end of last year, as well as promoting tobacco/vaping cessation programs. **Jay** also noted that it is crucial to evaluate progress that has been made on workgroup accomplishments in order to plan for future projects or programs.

### 3. Review of Behavioral Health Resource Map

As the Behavioral Health Resource Map ([gis.macombgov.org/go/bhmap](https://gis.macombgov.org/go/bhmap)) is one of the integral accomplishments to come from the workgroup, it was the central focus of the meeting. A list of all current locations on the map was provided to workgroup members for their review. **Jay** opened up a discussion about how the map looks and how to improve its content and interface.

Multiple members noted that changing some category names would be useful by highlighting common terminology such as 'therapy' or 'depression' instead of 'counseling and psychological services.' **Melissa** noted that psychological services denotes specific resources like testing, and should be delineated from other counseling services. Others suggested that 'behavioral health' was potentially vague for individuals trying to use the map, and defining this term and providing examples may be helpful for users.

There was a general consensus that users would utilize the category section (Summary of Locations) the right side or the search bar before dragging around or looking at the map. As such, the categories could be more descriptive and potentially not be delineated by municipality. Additionally, there was a discussion about key words and the map's search capabilities. Since the search bar can pull from any of the fields in the attribute box for each location, some noted that it could be beneficial to include information about insurance (e.g. Medicaid or Healthy Michigan Plan) or services provided (e.g. therapy) for each location in the form of tags. The addition of new categories of data would need to be finalized in order to avoid excessive revamping of all of the map data. It was also noted by multiple members that removing the worldwide address search may be helpful for those utilizing the search bar function on the map.

**Sheila** noted that information on the Access Center is critical for those who have Medicaid, as they may need to utilize the Access Center or their health plan in order to access those services. In addition, it may be helpful to include a disclaimer about calling the Access Center in the case of an emergency on the splash screen. **Kevin** noted that it would be helpful to inform users that they should check with their insurance company (by using the number on the back of the card) to see if that provider is covered before going to their office or calling.

Returning back to the interface of the category section, **Annette** noted that it may be helpful to be able to hover over the category and see a description of what is included in that category. **Nicolette** noted that the map could be smaller and the list of categories/locations could be enhanced as that it likely users' first focus. **Dawn** noted that there may be many types of 'rehabilitation services', so it may be helpful to delineate or clarify for users when looking at that category. **Kevin** noted that it was unclear if psychiatric hospitals could or should be included with other hospitals, instead of just counseling and psychological services.

Reviewing the list of locations, **John** noted that the clubhouse locations for MCCMH were redundant on the location list. Some locations on the map that were noted as not included at the time of the meeting included: The SHED, MyCare's MAT program, and chain pharmacies for drug disposal.

**Kevin** noted it was difficult to find the map on the health department website, and Maria added it to the bottom of the main page under the 'Focus' section ([health.macombgov.org](http://health.macombgov.org)) as well as other locations on the website (e.g., [cha.macombgov.org/cha-resources](http://cha.macombgov.org/cha-resources)).

Lastly, Workgroup members were also asked about the format of the business cards that contained information to utilize the map. **Ricki** noted that the notice on the card "Missing Location? Let Us Know!" makes the card feel more appropriate for health professionals/other staff who may be using the service on behalf of their clients, rather than laypeople using the card for their own use.

#### 4. Policy updates

**Jay** highlighted the new Tobacco 21 policy from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that bans the sale of all nicotine products (including cigarettes as well as e-cigarettes and other vaping devices) to persons under the age of 21. The workgroup discussed that there was some lack of clarity coming from the state and the FDA about the enforcement of this policy, but there was agreement that retailer education or cessation programming for young adults may be potential routes the group or organizations can take. A press release from the FDA on this new policy can be found [here](#).

Jay also discussed the MDHHS and University of Michigan-created Safer Opioid Prescribing Toolkit, which can be found online [here](#).

#### 5. Partner updates

- **Melissa** highlighted Judson Center's new integrated Family Health Clinic in Warren that combines both physical and behavioral health care. If you would like more information, contact Melissa at [melissa\\_peters@judsoncenter.org](mailto:melissa_peters@judsoncenter.org) or head to the Judson Center [website](#).
- **Debbie** discussed the MCA's opioid outreach program where paramedics, peer recovery coaches from CARE, and police deputies will follow up with overdose patients in certain municipalities at their residences. She said there will be a media release soon and will share statistics on the

program when she has them. For more information, contact Debbie at [debbie.condino@mcemsmca.org](mailto:debbie.condino@mcemsmca.org).

- **Ricki** mentioned that on February 14, there will be a training on medical marijuana for clinicians from 1:00–3:30 p.m. at the MISD. Registration can be found [here](#).
- **Nicolette** announced that MCCMH was recently awarded an opioid prevention grant, and is willing to collaborate with others on this project. Nicolette can be reached at [nicolette.gjokaj@mccmh.net](mailto:nicolette.gjokaj@mccmh.net).
- **Jay** mentioned that he created a Google form for workgroup members to send organizational updates and events for the newsletter. This form can be found [here](#).

## 6. Next meeting

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, February 27 from 9:00–10:30 a.m. at CARE of Southeastern Michigan's [newly opened Recovery Community Center](#) (located at [32577 Garfield Rd, Fraser, MI 48026](#)). We will be revisiting our discussion reviewing the Behavioral Health Resource Map, and will be looking at other potential avenues to pursue this year with regards to our other workgroup objectives.

