

**Meeting Notes**  
**The Behavioral Health Subcommittee of the**  
**State-Wide Health Care Facilities and Services Plan Advisory Body**  
**October 21, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Results
I. Opening Remarks and II. Approval of last month meeting notes	<p>Al Bidorini opened the meeting by apologizing to the members for cancelling the conference call scheduled for October 7, 2011.</p> <p>All members present approved last month's meeting notes since no changes were noted.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next conference call November 4, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.</li> </ul>
III. Update on Data Collection efforts	<p>Al Bidorini talked about the Value Options conference call on October 12, 2011. On October 12, 2011, Al Bidorini, Liz Collins, Karen Roberts, and Paolo Fiducia participated in conference call with Value Options (Scott Greco, Kevin Colvin). VO will provide a file, which is a Medicaid provider file; it will be used as another source for the inventory. Jim O'Dey asked at what level will the information be given and Al responded that it would not be at clinician level. Robert Plant noted that there are different services i.e. In-Home Services, within the outpatient setting that will be an anomaly. It was agreed to look at the VO data once it comes in and then see if additional information is needed. The members agreed that at this time, we would stay away from capacity and only look at the inventory landscape. Karen Roberts noted that at this time we have licensing list from DPH and DCF, we will be getting a list of ICFMR providers, we are looking at service locator at SAMSHA, a request will be put in place to Wheeler Clinic for the CT Clearing House data, also looking at Network of Care.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VO information was received on October 21, 2011 and is under review by OHCA.</li> <li>• Wheeler Clinic provided clearinghouse data set on October 28, 2011 and is under review by OHCA.</li> <li>• Norma Kirwan will review a list of community health providers.</li> </ul>
IV. Description of the Behavioral Health Environment in CT	<p>The focal point of the discussion was how descriptive and how much detail do we want to put in to describe the environment. Several options were mentioned: i.e. separate mental health and substance abuse descriptions, populated age for children and adults, public and private setting (hospitals, community based providers, state operated) and funding sources, payor sources. Al mentioned that another way to describe the environment is thru "Point of Access" for example the ED, FQHC. Jim O'Dey said that all look good except for the funding source because it will probably not be the same in the future. Robert Plant mentioned that he had done a presentation using a graph representing the landscape of mental health for children in the state, which he will share with the subcommittee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robert Plant will disseminate the referenced DCF report and chart.</li> </ul>
V. Identification and discussion of studies or reports issued by authoritative sources	<p>Al Bidorini mentioned to the members that he had provided OHCA a list of sources and asked members if they are aware of any authoritative sources that have been published within the last 3 – 5 years and to provide them to OHCA. The discussion centered on how to identify a gap in service, how to identify need for services, and how to identify the best place for those services, all of these are difficult questions to answer. The idea came up to refer to different reports and then have a link that goes directly to that report. Evidence based practices came up and will probably have a general paragraph about this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OHCA will send reminder notice regarding the upcoming conference call on November 4, 2011.</li> <li>• Members should send OHCA and Al Bidorini any recent</li> </ul>

		studies/reports of value in this discussion.
VI. Other – OHCA’s Inpatient Discharge Database and Subcommittee members assignments	The data available to OHCA through the hospital inpatient discharge database and ED database was discussed in terms of its use in this chapter. It was discussed that OHCA should run data for three years to see trends especially for children. Al Bidorini mentioned that he has 3 years of ED data for substance abuse.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OHCA will run IDB by LOS, age and town of residence and provide to committee members for discussion.</li> </ul>

Attendees: James O'Dey, Al Bidorini, Robert Plant, Jeffrey Walter (Conference Call), Norma Kirwan,  
Attendees from OHCA: Karen Roberts, Paolo Fiducia  
Absent: James Siemianowski, Sandra Bauer, Lauren Siembab, Liz Collins, Dr. Maybelle Mercado-Martinez, Kaila Riggott