

FAMILY CARE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP SYSTEM OF CARE UPDATE

October 2008

Rhode Island System of Care Redesign Efforts- Building Partnerships

The Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) is working with agencies, families, youth and community members across the state to support the planning and implementation of the Family Care Community Partnership Initiative.

The goals of this initiative are the following:

- Establish and continue to develop a statewide, integrated, family driven, youth guided, culturally and linguistically competent community based system of care for children and families at risk for abuse and neglect and who have serious behavioral health needs.
- Strengthen the collaboration and partnership between youth, families, state agencies, providers, and the greater community as it relates to formal and informal business relationships, decision-making and service delivery.
- Implement a high-fidelity wraparound process (see definition on page 2) that is a family-centered model, is strength based and intervenes early to address potentially serious problems.
- Ensure that each child and family receiving wraparound has a single integrated care plan aimed at ensuring the highest quality services and supports.
- Develop four regional provider networks in which there will be both formal service providers and natural, social support resources. The provision of services will be in the least restrictive setting and will emphasize community integration for families, children, and youth.
- Develop a centralized data collection process to aggregate and analyze statewide FCCP data for further system analysis and continuous quality improvement to ensure that we are meeting our defined outcomes .

Working with Families, Youth and Providers for Successful Transition

The Family Care Community Partnership Initiative (FCCP) continues to prepare for implementation. The FCCP standards are in the final stages of review and a public hearing is scheduled on November 18th (see page 2) for final input before promulgation. The Regional Provider Networks are in final contract negotiations with DCYF and contracts are expected to be in place by December 2008 and implementation will begin no later than January 2009.

DCYF is sensitive to families need for continued care and support during this transition period. DCYF is conducting case reviews with existing providers to help ensure children, youth and families receive services and supports as appropriate. The Regional Provider Networks are discussing transition plans with DCYF during the contract negotiations.

DCYF continues to provide ongoing training and technical assistance opportunities for successful transition. DCYF is currently preparing training in regards to risk management, high fidelity wraparound, and data to ensure successful implementation. In December, regional provider networks will receive system of care building training, Primer Hands On, December 9th and 10th.

Families and youth can expect transition and change over the next six months. Families are encouraged to call Parent Support Network (PSN) , the Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN) or DCYF if they are experiencing challenges in accessing services and supports: PSN- 467-6855 or 1-800-483-8844-c.ciano@psnri.org RIPIN-727-4144 or 1-800-464-3399- info@ripin.org DCYF-528-3797/ Debra.DiScullo@dcyf.ri.gov



FAMILY CARE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Rule Relating to Family Care Community Partnership (FCCP) Practice Standards

Tuesday, November 18, 2008—6:00-8:00 PM

DaVinci Center—470 Charles Street, Providence, RI

The Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the adoption of proposed DCYF rule, **Family Care Community Partnership (FCCP) Practice Standards**. This proposed rule provides guidance to assist the FCCP in implementing an integrated system of care that uses a system level Wraparound approach in the planning, implementation and evaluation of services and supports for families with children and youth who are at risk for abuse and neglect, who have serious emotional disturbance (SED) or a developmental disability (DD) and/or who have juvenile corrections involvement. These standards are intended to assist the FCCP initiative in achieving statewide consistency and established outcomes with Rhode Island's children, youth and families.

Family Care Community Partnership (FCCP)- Family Community Advisory Boards

DCYF will be working with state partners, FCCP designated agencies, families, youth and communities to work on the development of the Family Community Advisory Boards. These boards will ensure state and local level governance and quality assurance for the FCCP Initiative. There will be an emphasis on youth, family and diverse community participation.

DCYF is currently working with advocacy programs and family organizations to begin to provide leadership and input in order to create a common mission, adopt standards and begin to develop and operate the State Family Community Advisory Boards.

Until now, the Department has supported the implementation of eight Local Coordinating Councils (LCC'S) across the state. The LCC's have provided state and local system of care leadership and service delivery guidance. DCYF will now transition to four local Family Community Boards with an encouragement that LCC membership will join forces with new membership to lead the local Family Community Advisory Boards.

Please watch for more information for community and state level involvement as we all work towards creating family driven, youth guided, and culturally competent governance structures and leadership. Parent Support Network is recruiting family and youth leaders who would like to become more involved in participating in the state and local Family

High Fidelity Wraparound

The National Wraparound Initiative defines, *Wraparound* as a team-based planning process intended to provide individualized, coordinated, family-driven care to meet the complex needs of children and their families. The wraparound process requires that families, providers, and key members of the family's social support network collaborate to build a creative plan that responds to the particular needs of the child and family. Team members then implement the plan and continue to meet regularly to monitor progress and make adjustments to the plan as necessary. The team continues its work until members reach a consensus that a formal wraparound process is no longer needed. Visit national wrap-around initiative website for more information: <http://www.rtc.pdx.edu/nwi/>

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