

**Southwest Wisconsin Care Management Coalition (SWCMC)**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**In-Person Conference**  
**Location: Spring Green Public Library**  
**230 E. Monroe St.**  
**Date: Thursday, February 15, 2007**  
**1:00 – 3:30 P.M.**

**Present:** Crawford County: Sara Ryan, Kathy Leard, Kelly Hefel  
Grant County: Jon Angeli, Gayle Antony  
Green County: Greg Holcomb, Linda Boll, Dave Folks, Julie Sachs  
Juneau County: Michael Roraff  
Iowa County: Mike Tiber, Judy Lindholm  
Lafayette County: Tom MacDonald  
Richland County: Randy Jacquet, Teri Buros, Kim Enders, Stacy Hach, Linda Symons, Joan Hansen, Mary Lou McDonald  
Sauk County: Bill Orth, Sue Hebel, Trish Vandre  
Unified Services: Neal Blackburn  
Area Agency on Aging:  
Independent Living Resources: Jason Beloungy  
DHFS:

**Attachments emailed 2/12/07:** Agenda, 2/2/07 SWCMC Meeting Minutes.

**Attachments emailed 2/14/07:** CWAG Training News Release, ADRC Conference Flyer

1. **Check-In and Introductions:** Meeting called to order by Mr. Jacquet at 1:04 P.M. Attendance was taken. Ms. Buros introduced Ms. Joan Hansen as Richland County's new CMO Quality Coordinator. The members welcomed Ms. Hansen.
2. **Approve February 2, 2007 Meeting Minutes (*Attachment*):** Ms. McDonald reported two errors in the minutes. First, attendance for Unified Services the name should read Cheryl Knapp, not Carol. Second, time of adjournment should read 11:04 A.M., not P.M. Mr. Folks noted Agenda item #6 should include the word "Care" to have it read County Update on Managed Care Communication Plan Activities. Motion by Mr. Roraff, seconded by Mr. Orth to approve 02/02/07 meeting minutes with noted changes. Motion carried.
3. **Review Agenda and Timeframes – "Walk-ons":** Ms. Buros requested to have item #5. *Work Plan Update* moved to after item #9. *Work Group Update*. The request was approved.

4. **Update on Managed Care in Wisconsin:**

- **Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups (CWAG) Training (*Attachment*):** Mr. Folks reported that the CWAG training for our region will be on March 6, 2007 at the Dodger Bowl in Dodgeville, WI from 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Applications are due by February 27, 2007. A second day of training will be scheduled at a later date. Mr. Beloungy reported that Independent Living Resources will have a mentoring table set up at this conference. All SWCMC counties were encouraged to send the CWAG New Release to their local newspapers and radio stations as soon as possible. The members discussed the very short time between advertising and the application due date.
- **Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Conference:** A brief discussion was held regarding an upcoming ADRC Conference on April 16 & 17, 2007 at the Concourse Hotel in Madison, WI. Those who are involved in planning new ADRC's were encouraged to attend.
- **Choice in Managed Care:** Discussion was held regarding the mandate by the Federal Government that requires Managed Care to offer a choice. The State has been resistant to this mandate and is asking for a waiver. A choice of Family Care and Partnership or Family Care and Waiver would need to be offered. Care services are not enough of a choice.
- **Governor Doyle's 2007-2009 Biennial Budget Address:** Mr. Jacquet reported that in the Governor's address it was mentioned that an additional 22 million dollars was budgeted for Family Care. The Department of Health and Family Services had requested 25 million dollars for CMO's and ADRC's.

5. **County Updates on Communication Plan Activities:**

**Crawford:** No recent activity.

**Grant/Iowa:** Mr. Blackburn reported that he recently presented to a group at Southwest Wisconsin Vocational-Technical Institute in Fennimore, WI. He and Mr. Tiber will be presenting to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors on February 20, 2007.

**Green:** Mr. Folks reported that Green County will be sponsoring four forums. The first will be on February 27 for providers and the other three will be on February 28. The locations for February 28 are as follows:

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| Monroe                   | Brodhead                          |
| United Methodist Church  | Bank of Brodhead – Community Room |
| 2227 4 <sup>th</sup> St. | 806 E. Exchange St.               |
| 9 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.      | 1 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.               |

New Glarus

New Glarus Home – Multi-Purpose Room

600 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

They have been promoting the forums through radio segments, flyers in grocery bags on Senior's Day, organizational newsletters and parent councils. A person from UW-Extension will facilitate the forums.

**Juneau:** Mr. Roraff reported an attendance of twenty people for their first forum on February 7. The low attendance may be attributed to the sub-zero temperatures on that day. They are planning to do another forum in two weeks in Elroy, WI. They will target people on the waiting list and work with the local clergy to help increase attendance.

**Lafayette:** No recent activity.

**Richland:** Ms. Symons reported that they are training speakers to meet with people in local areas. The first forum is scheduled for Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. at UW-Richland Campus, Pippin Conference Center in Melville Hall.

**Sauk:** Mr. Orth reported that their first forum is scheduled for April 20 and they plan to do another one in June. They, too, will target people on their waiting list.

6. **Citizens' Comments:** Mr. Beloungy reported that Independent Living Resources will do targeted mailing in counties that haven't been getting information out to their consumers about long-term care reform.
7. **Comments from the SWCMC Website:** No comments.
8. **Work Group Updates:**
  - a. **ADRC Work Group:** Ms. Symons reported that she and Mr. Beloungy, representatives from the ADRC work group, met with the Governance work group this morning. She reported that the Governance members received the ADRC plan for a two four-county regional model well and gave them good feedback.
  - b. **Communication Work Group:** Mr. Folks reported that this group had a teleconference yesterday. Major discussion points were: CWAG training, progress with forums and other activities in each county, ILR advertising in counties that are not currently advertising, training human service staff, level of commitment of each SWCMC county and unanswered questions.
  - c. **Data Analysis Work Group:** Ms. Hach reported that she spoke to Mr. Tom Lawless regarding rate setting methodology. She reported that the rates will be set according to the Functional Screens, which is the methodology of the current CMO's. They will not use geographic data. Ms. Hach reported that Richland County receives the Functional Screen report but Waiver Counties do not. The State will look into sending this report to them.

Ms. Enders reported that it is important to update the Functional Screens whenever a client's condition changes. Also, Functional Screens must be updated for those who have been on the waiting list for a long time. It was reported that the Functional Screens should be updated as close to the "live" date of the CMO as possible.

Mr. Blackburn reported that it would be very important for the waiting list to include the Sinsinawa Dominican nuns, approximately 200 in number, residing at Sinsinawa Mound in Grant County.

- d. **Governance Committee:** Mr. Orth reported that this group met this morning at the Shed in Spring Green. He reported that they passed a motion at the meeting to pursue a 66.0301 or Long-Term Care District model (formerly known as the Family Care District model) for planning purposes. In these models, the State contracts with the "Entity" created in the 66.0301 agreement or with the Long-Term Care District Model. They would then contract with Richland as the Lead County and then the Lead County contracts with the other seven counties.

If Richland is unable to be the Lead County, then the "Entity" created by the 66.0301 agreement or the Long-Term Care District Model would employ administrative staff and then subcontract with each county for Care Management. The advantage of having Richland as the Lead County, represented in the first two models, is the savings of not having to create a separate administrative staff. The difference between a 66.0301 and the Long-Term Care District model is that in a 66.0301 the counties bear the risk and with the Long-Term Care District Model, if the recent statute changes went through, the District bears the risk. Portage, Wood and Marathon Boards chose a 66.0301 model even with the possible risk to the counties.

9. **Review Updated SWCMC Work Plan:** Ms. Buros reported that she will update the work plan with the new governance models that were just agreed upon today.

Ms. Buros spoke to Monica Deignan, the SWCMC's State contact person, regarding the CMO's implementation target date. The earliest that we will submit a Request for Proposal (R.F.P.) is the fall or winter of this year with implementation no sooner than six months and possibly 12 months after that. The SWCMC has planning grant money through September of this year. The State communicated earlier that as long as the Coalition is making progress, the grant could be extended to the end of this year. If the State does not see enough progress being made, they can request any unspent funds to be returned. In past conversations with Ms. Buros, the State has been pleased with the progress that the SWCMC is making. Quarterly reports to the State are no longer required, but Ms. Buros will continue to create quarterly Project Updates to the Coalition. The next update is due in March.

10. **Upcoming Meetings:**

- a. **ADRC Work Group:** Thurs., March 1, 9:30-3:30, Spring Green Library
- b. **Communications Work Group:** Wed., March 14, 1-3:00, Teleconference
- c. **Data Analysis Work Group:** Thurs., March 29, 1-4:00, RCHHS
- d. **Governance Work Group:** Thurs., March 15, 10-1:00, The Shed, Spring Green.
- e. **SWCMC Teleconference:** Friday, March 2, 10-12:00.

15. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn at 2:30 P.M. by Mr. Angeli seconded by Mr.Orth.  
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou McDonald  
Administrative Assistant, SWCMC