

Minutes

LTC Subcommittee

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Participants:

Terry Sullivan	Vicky Boyle	Mary Miller (HFS)	Adair Galster (McK)
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Cindy Schwechter	Dr. Chess	Ryan Johnson (HFS)	Caryn Jacobi (McK)
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Discussion items

Item	Notes
NP Care Intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continuing to go well in existing facilities that have a NP placement. We are currently live in about 35 facilities.• We have received several very positive reviews and letters from LTC facilities that are working with NP Care. This is very exciting!• Through our work with NP Care, we have found situations where there are discrepancies between claim level diagnoses and those found in the MDS or medical record. We have been working with NP Care on a letter to Physicians and other outreach to address this issue. Norme noted that he has seen this be an issue in the past and indicated that the MDS coordinator may be a good resource to partner with on addressing these kinds of issues.
Itinerate YHP Staff Visits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• YHP is still focused on clinical metrics and is looking for opportunities to drive improvements in sites without a NP. We are talking with YHP staff about opportunities for outreach.
Pharmacy Reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have been providing this intervention for over a year now.• Based on feedback from this group, faxes are now being sent to Consulting Pharmacist with a cc to the DON. We are receiving some faxes back.• YHP team has been able to go back later and view claims to see that changes are indeed being made, even if the fax form was not returned.
Feedback from LTC Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terry provided an update on the task force that was formed by Governor Quinn. Quick highlights include better screening, better treatment options, and a focus on smoother transitions between Behavioral Health and LTC.• YHP agreed to review transition procedures off line. We do have procedures in place to handle transitions of members between LTC and community.• Vicky noted that there is general concern over follow-up after hospitalization. Do not know when members are discharged and this contributes to making transitions more difficult.• Terry to follow-up with Sue Gardiner. They will discuss and consider inviting YHP representatives to attend another Quality Nurse meeting in the near future.
Next committee meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scheduled for May 6, 2010 at 11am CT• Please spread the word to others – we are always looking for additional subcommittee participants to join us on these calls.