**Peer Support**

### Meeting / Committee Name

**Peer Support Stakeholder Workgroup**

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<th>April 19, 2018</th>
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<td>Time / Duration</td>
<td>1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (4 hours)</td>
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<td>Location</td>
<td>ASH campus building 552 conference room 125</td>
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<td>Committee Member Attendees</td>
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<td>Noah Abdenour, Dennis Bach, Patty Doty, Anna Gray, Stevie Hansen, Colleen Horton, Jason Johnson, Meredith Jones, Sachin Kamble, Joe Powell, Stanley Williams, Karla Rose, Gregg Sherrill, Stephanie Jack, Jason Howell, Karla Rose On Call: Amelia Murphy, Stanley Williams, Stephanie Jack, Greg Sherrill, Janet Paleo, Joseph Sanchez</td>
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<td>Additional Participants</td>
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<td>HHSC: Reese Carroll, Mary Sowder, Jennifer Sublet, Sheri Jackson, Wendy Latham, Laura Munch, Rebekah Falkner, Laura Jourdan, Laura Gold, AC Gaines</td>
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### Introductions

**Agenda**

1:00 – 1:15

Welcome, Introductions and logistical Announcements

Addressed any housekeeping issues

Discussed the appraisal of the entire rule process – Stakeholder group will continue to meet monthly until the rules are adopted.

Future topics the workgroup will address are the core and specialty trainings.

### Overview of Accomplishments

**Agenda**

1:10 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Assistant Commissioner Sonja Gaines and Robert Dole provided a power point presentation acknowledging the accomplishments of the 1486 Stakeholder Workgroup. A few of the accomplishments included:

- Defining of terms,
- Supervisor/supervision requirements
- Conducted a Supervision survey of SUD providers and LMHA’s on peers and recovery coaches
- Background check requirements
- Grandfathering provisions

AC Gaines indicated that peer services are a first in Texas – it is exciting times.

### Update from CMS

**Agenda**

2:00 – 3:00

Laura Gold provided updates from Medicaid, she discussed a phase in approach due to time constraints:

- **Age range** – Phase I will include ages 21, only, this will include both individual and group delivery
  After implementation of phase I HHSC will then address the 18-20 age range
**Update from CMS**

- **Consumer Operated Service Providers** – TMHP has been reached out to discussing the possibility of peer run organizations having the ability to bill for Medicaid. It does not appear this will be possible in Phase I due to the cost and time needed to add a new provider type to the claims engine. Future discussions will continue once the draft SPA is submitted.

- **Rate Setting**: the rate analysis department will be asked to evaluate the service and determine proposed individual and group rates for the procedure code that will be used to bill for peer services.

- **Timeline/Opportunities for public input**: as of now there is a rate hearing to be scheduled in November. Medical policy is in the process of being drafted and will be posted for public comment in June. Draft rules will be posted for informal comment in June, formal public comment period for rules is in September in the Texas Register.

- A Peer Specialist Medicaid Benefit Timeline was provided to stakeholder members

**Review of Draft last minute changes**

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<th>Amy Chandler reviewed the rule draft to ensure all changes are correct and updated</th>
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- Discussions: posting information on the website regarding:
  - Criminal Bars,
  - Peer Specialist Orientation and
  - Self-Assessment

Grandfather Clause for currently Certified Peers the certifying entity that individual to have provided services within past two-years to be eligible. Also, added Grandfathering Clause for current trainers (SUD and MH) by Motion and Motion Passing. Draft Chapter 6 Next Tuesday.

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:58 p.m.**