

Meeting / Committee Name	Peer Support Stakeholder Workgroup
Date	July 19, 2018
Time / Duration	1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (4 hours)
Location	Austin State Hospital Campus
Committee Member Attendees	Noah Abdenour, Dennis Bach, Patty Doty, Ellen Goodman, Anna Gray, Colleen Horton, Stephanie Jack, Jason Johnson, Meredith Stacy Jones, Dr Sachin Kamble, Amelia Murphy, Janet Paleo, Joe Powell, Karla Rose, Joseph Sanchez, Gregg Sherrill, Reggie Smith, Dr Stanley Williams
Additional Participants	HHSC: Amy Chandler, Robert Dole, Rebekah Falkner, Laura Gold, Jessica Hissam, Sheri Jackson, Wendy Latham, Laura Munch, Carmen Tilton

Welcome, Introductions, and Logistical Announcements	
	Robert Dole convened the meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • Reviewed housekeeping items
Documents Presented	Participant Agenda

Medicaid update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Gold informed the group that the draft medical policy for peer support services was posted for comment in June. Staff addressed feedback by changing the word “assist” to the word “support,” as well as other concerns • Group discussed the amount of units available to fee-for-service Medicaid members, which will be 104 units per rolling six months with an additional 30 units available after per each prior authorization. • Group discussed how managed care organizations may operationalize this • Group discussed the administrative burden of prior authorization and the likelihood of 104 units being too few for most individuals receiving peer support services • Group discussed the possibility of long term return on investment of peer support services and how peer support may decrease overall medical costs

Medicaid update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robert Dole informed the group that HHSC staff have been hearing feedback about the exclusion of transition age youth and peer run organizations Laura Gold updated the group on HHSC's work to change its telehealth policy. She directed the group to the topic nomination process.
Documents Presented	None

Certification entity	
	Rebekah Falkner told the group that Via Hope plans to continue as a training entity for peers and TCBAP will serve as the certifying entity for peers.
Documents presented	None
Facilitated Discussion on Training: Amy Chandler	
	<p>Amy Chandler discussed the changes in the rules made based on stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>The group discussed the removal of QMHPs as supervisors.</p>
Documents presented	None