

Cottonwood CDDO Affiliate Meeting

7/26/22 – 2pm

Zoom

Present; Andrea Pike, Nancy Bullock, Janine Gracy, Colleen Himmelberg, Chris Seal, Mark Gonzales, Zoe Surprise, Logan Pope, Colleen Hunter, Kara Walters, Lynette Goldizen, Ranita Wilks, Jonathan Tran, Jeff Whittier, Sarah Elliott, Connie Farmer, Angie Dougan, Stephany Semple, Rebecca Guerrero, Alisa Snyder, Drew Diedel, Susan Davis, Caitlyn Hendershott, Nancy Lamb, Lorraine Dold, Phil Bentzinger, and Angela Levy

1. Guest Speaker – Christi Crawford of Dementia 360. Here is the link to her presentation - [Dementia360 Introduction Presentation \(canva.com\)](#)

2. System Updates
 - a. COVID – Please continue to inform the CDDO of positive cases; either by uploading an AIR or sending an email to Angela.

 - b. HCBS Final Rule – The next technical assistance session is July 28th @ 11:00am.

 - c. FY 23 HCBS rate increase – A reminder of Legislative intent is that the rate increase be used to increase direct support staff wages, due to testimony from several providers regarding the staffing crisis for direct support staff positions. There is also a reporting requirement in the budget language, so expect to be contacted to report how you used those funds by the next Legislative session. Here is the link to the new rate table - [22115 - Table.pdf \(kmap-state-ks.us\)](#)

 - d. IDD Waiver amendment for 2023 – Please review the full changes to the IDD Waiver amendment as not all language changes are typically covered in the presentation, just the highlights. Public comment information can be found here - [LTSS Public Comment Section \(ks.gov\)](#)

 - e. KDADS/CDDO Contract
 - i. The FY 22 contract has been extended for FY 23. CDDOs area still waiting on KDADS to finalize the amendment document for review and signatures.

- ii. Capacity Assessment – Capacity reports were submitted by the end of June using the 2019 template. There were no changes for our area from the 2019 report. The biggest challenge to providers opening for referrals continues to be the lack of direct support staff.
- iii. Workgroups
 - 1. CDDO Operations – The June meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is July 28th and recommendations from subgroups on how to resolve several system issues will be reviewed.
 - 2. Eligibility – There were no meetings last fiscal year. The next meeting is August 10th and the group still needs to finalize an updated eligibility policy and update the eligibility manual.
 - 3. Functional Assessment – Subgroups are meeting over the summer to review the BASIS manual and recommend updates. The next meeting is August 17th.
 - 4. Quality Assurance – No meeting is scheduled.
 - 5. Complex Needs – Subgroups are meeting over the summer to make recommendations to KDADS regarding three areas; training, crisis supports, and integration of services across systems. The next meeting will be the end of August / beginning of September.
- 3. Provider Sharing – No one had any updates or information to share.
- 4. Consumer Marketing List – You may request a copy from Angela by email.
- 5. FY 23 meeting schedule
 - a. October 25th @ 2pm - Matthew Faulk Director of Housing at Bert Nash
 - b. January 24th @ 2pm – Abby Githens & Sara Andres with DCF Pre-Employment Transition Services
 - c. April 25th @ 2pm – need suggestions for guest speakers