

# QUARTERLY CONSORTIUM MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 21, 2021 10:00 am, Online (via Zoom)

**FACILITATOR:** Kimberly Mitchell (HCD) MINUTES: Dustin Kane (CAFTH)

### **Call to Order & Approval of Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Kimberly Mitchell at 10:04 am. The June meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as presented with a motion from Elizabeth Fletcher and a second from Porsha Goodman.

#### Presentation

TennCare CHOICES Program: Valerie Wade from United Health Care (UHC) provided an introduction to the TennCare also known as TN Medicaid CHOICES program. Pre-Admission Evaluations (PAE) are conducted by the state to determine the amount of assistance needed. There are three primary CHOICES groups, Long-Term Care Facilities (Care is provided at a nursing facility), At Home/Community (Clients choose to receive care at home), or Not Yet Meeting the Criteria (Clients may receive SSI, and have one functional deficit but do not need additional care). Care coordinators are assigned to every CHOICES recipient. For more information about Tennessee Health Plans please visit the UHC website at <a href="https://www.uhccommunityplan.com/tn">https://www.uhccommunityplan.com/tn</a>, or call 800-690-1606. CHOICES can provide up to \$900 per calendar year to recipients for home modifications and assisted technology (Such as ramps, grab bars, door widening, grabbers/reachers, other). Currently, CHOICES has not been conducting face-to-face visits since 3/2021. Valerie can be reached at <a href="mailto:valerie I wade@uhc.com">valerie I wade@uhc.com</a>, and the Long Term Services & Support home page can be found at <a href="https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/long-term-services-supports.html">https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/long-term-services-supports.html</a>. The Aging Commission of the Mid-South can also assist and help determine what type of insurance clients might have locally in Memphis and Shelby County (Their number is 901-222-4111 or toll free at 866-836-6678).

#### **CoC Committee Reports**

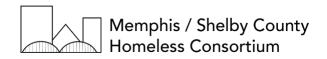
All committee meetings have been taking place virtually and will continue to be held virtually until further notice. See calendar here for more information about future meeting dates and times.

**CoC Planning:** Mia Cotton shared that the committee went over NOFO updates, conducted a planning and goal setting session, and is working to further identify education opportunities and new partners to work with.

Families & Youth: Absent.

**Single Adults:** The committee will be resuming in October.

**Employment:** The committee previously hosted presenters from HopeWorks and the American Job Centers to share employment opportunities and go over program details. The committee is also looking to find a new Chair.



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**HMIS:** Jonquil Johnson reported that CAFTH has been working with providers to help cover the cost of HMIS licenses, and committee members were invited to attend the NAEH conference to learn more about recent developments in HMIS.

### **Announcements and Updates**

**NOFO Updates:** Grant Ebbesmeyer shared upcoming dates for the 2021 NOFO competition (esnaps virtual and in person trainings, CAFTH NOFO webpage, and more), and provided a high-level overview of the Tiers and Rank & Review process.

**Open Floor:** Mia Cotton shared that FFL is using some of their transportation funding for Lyft, and is assisting clients with their Wellness University online training/education program. Ursula Thomas reported that CMI is looking to fill a position for a Lived-Experience Representative. Dana Brooks added that CCWTN has eviction prevention dollars available for RRH singles and families, you may call 901-722-4662 for more information. Ceaira Brunson shared that Agape is looking to fill vacancies or accept referrals for youth RRH (18-24) or TH-RRH DV programs (Both programs can support a client from 6-24 months). Elizabeth Fletcher reported that AHS has eviction prevention money as well and is working to get those funds to those who need it. Lawrence Wilson added the new Creating Homes Initiative (CHI) 3.0 will be launching soon to provide additional/dedicated support those who have been formerly incarcerated. CAFTH is working to develop a Community Plan for the YHDP program. HCD is partnering with CAFTH on the HOME APR program. The ERA program is looking to spend \$40M by Dec. 2021, and HCD spent 80% of the \$8M in ESG funding as of Oct. 2021.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 am.