



South Shore Community Partners in Prevention

South Shore Community Partners in Prevention (CHNA 23)
Wednesday, October 10, 2018
8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.
Plymouth Public Library
132 South Street
Plymouth, MA 02360

Minutes

In attendance:

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Meeting called to order by Mike Jackman, SSCPP Chair at 8:57 a.m. All were welcomed.

Minutes from our September meeting were approved by all in attendance.

Mini Grant Outcomes Report: Plymouth Community Intermediate School Bridge Program presented by Siobhan Cavacco

- The Bridge Program, funded by SSCPP, takes place at the PCIS middle school in Plymouth.
- Program is in its second year and assists students who are struggling with medical and/or mental health issues impacting their performance in school.
- See a lot of similar cases at the high school level and found it is trickling down to middle school.
- Over the past 20 years, the number of students hospitalized for psychiatric disorders has increased by nearly 300%.
- Program helps kids transition back to school as it can often be overwhelming- the Bridge room is a safe and comfortable room for students. The room is open and staffed all periods of the day.
- Created a home-like environment for students. Have computers, crafts, relaxation space. Can lower lights if needed.
- Main mental health issues seen at PCIS: mood and anxiety disorders

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- 2017-18 year served 16 students. 20% were identified as school-avoidant. Most want to be in school but have are having some challenges.
- 2018-19 year: Currently have about 10 students in the program.
- Main goal is to get students back into all of their classes and transition back to a full schedule as quickly as possible.
- Good mental health is at the root of long-term growth, success and stability.

Forum on Question 1 (Patient-to-Nurse Limits)

Speakers: Karen Higgins, RN, MNA Past President; Tim Quigley RN, VP/Acute Care Operations, South Shore Health System

Mike introduced speakers. Each were invited to give position statements.

Karen: Yes on 1

- Karen is an experienced bedside nurse and past president of the Massachusetts Nurses Association. MNA is made up of about 23,000 nurses and health-care professionals across the state. 90% of members are bedside nurses.
- Have been fighting for this issue for 20 years.
- Are seeing problems for acute care patients- nurses have up to 8 patients at once.
- Every patient over 4 in a case-load creates a 7% increase in a bad outcome.
- Do not need to find staff in 37 days- need a plan in place by then.
- Have enough nurses- graduate over 3,000 full time nurses each year and not all can find full-time jobs.
- Costs- patients are worth it. Cited local hospital financial stats.
- If this passes, a person will never be denied access to an emergency room.
- California, only state with this law implemented, has a 47% shorter wait time in emergency rooms than MA. CA has not closed any hospitals due to this law.
- We mandate number of kids in daycare, classroom size, etc. but not patient limits.

Tim: No on 1

- Tim is the chief nurse at South Shore Health and has been a nurse for over 36 years.
- Bill will reduce access and does not improve quality.
- MNA represents 23% of nurses in the state. Been fighting for 20 years, but has not been pushed through legislature.
- Would have to add 90 FTEs to emergency department to implement.
- Nurses work in teams and not every task needs to be done by an RN.
- MA Emergency Nurses Association backs No on 1.

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- Nurses are charged up to a \$25,000 fine per incident if they go over patient limit- puts nurses with skill set needed to treat a mental health patient, for example, with a full case load in an ethical dilemma.
- As written, the law requires implementation in 37 days for Jan. 1st.
- At SSH, see an average of 6 patients per nurse.
- There are 2,900 psychiatric beds in MA. Would lose significant number of beds if bill passes.

The floor was opened for questions.

Mike shared that the steering committee is currently reviewing SSCPP behavioral health grant proposals and we hope to make funding announcement in November. SSCPP mini grants are open and can be found on our website. Fall mini grant deadline is Oct. 15th.

The floor was opened for agency announcements.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Nov. 14th**. Will have opportunity to give feedback on community needs as part of hospital community needs assessment.

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