

Directors Report

February 2017

The House announced their Committee assignments, an attachment will be forthcoming.

Region VII continues to Co-partner with SAGE, two other AAAs (Region 8 & 11) and the LBGT community on an MHEF approved grant regarding policy and cultural changes.

Region VII is currently in the works of joining in a community collaboration with CMU's Medical School and Survivors of Suicide in pursuing a grant from the MHEF.

The Administration for Community Living (ACL) continues to guide AAA's in business acumen. A webinar on *Health IT Interoperability and the Community Based Organization (CBO)* is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 31 from 1:00 – 2:30 pm Eastern Time** by consultant Tim McNeill.

Region VII's E.D. continues to work on the task force to find 4AM's E.D. Mary Ablan's replacement.

4 AM met with Chris Priest, Deputy Director for Medical Services with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (**MDHHS**) in **January**. We learned that there was \$18 million paid to and kept by waiver agents in FY 2015 not needed or used for services and the lower cost is the reason capitation rates were cut for this year.

Richard Kline is named deputy director of Aging and Adult Services (previously interim)

Region VII is working with a possible new vendor for Self Determination services with lower rates.

IT is currently reviewing backup plan for Region VI with Michael Parnell from Veeam

The Fiscal Department is preparing for its audit scheduled for the week of March 6th.

Waiver staff anticipates that there will be 6 Nursing Facility Transitions and 22 community based participants enrolled, with an additional 6 participants re-enrolling into the program. Given the significant number of participants that have closed to the program permanently since the start of the fiscal year, efforts to enroll new participants have been increased with one Supports Coordinator being reassigned to assist.

Year to Date Participants Served

MI Choice Waiver: 1007

Care Management/Thumb Counties: 49

Veterans Directed: 10