

CARBON-MONROE-PIKE MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES STATUS REPORT

OCTOBER 2020

Early Intervention

Early Intervention Service Coordination Supervisor Linda Migneco and two Service Coordinators (Denise Gonzalez and Chrissy McManus) have been participated in the Virtual Zero to Three Conference this month. Topics include the latest research on early life adversity to policy solutions for advancing equity in early childhood programs. This opportunity has been provided by CMP's Mental Health Department to Early Intervention Staff. The Mental Health Department has offered to collaborate with the Early Intervention Department with trainings again during this fiscal year. We look forward to their continued support.

The Early Intervention Department received 44 referrals in the month of September, 2020.

Developmental Services

Developmental Services continues to make every effort to reduce the number of individuals on the waiting list. Currently, there are 177 individuals on the waiting list that require services within the next six months. Of the 177 individuals, 47 are looking to transition from their current waiver to one with a higher budget limit. From July to October four individuals were removed from the waiting list and enrolled in PFDS waiver. Additionally, three individuals were removed from the waiting list and enrolled in Consolidated Waiver. The department is currently identifying 2021 graduates and determining the urgency of need for services post-graduation. The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) is not expecting a graduate initiative this year. As a result, 2021 graduates will have to be served with our existing waiver capacity. Currently, we have more graduates than waiver openings. We will continue to strategize so we can best meet the needs of our community members.

The Interim Process for Quality Assessment and Improvement (QA&I) is in full swing. Both the Administrative Entity (AE) and the Support Coordination Organization (SCO) submitted all the necessary documentation to ODP. In addition, the AE began the QA&I review for eight providers. Virtual conferences are scheduled throughout the next few months, wrapping up by December 31, 2020. In addition, the SCO submitted documentation pertaining to their SCO Qualification Triennial Application to ODP.

In Pike County, a local newspaper highlighted a young man's accomplishments at work along with his goals to be successfully employed and a contributing member of his community. This young man participated in Project Search throughout his final year in high school. After graduation he was hired at Woodloch Resort in the kitchen and received job coaching services.

The article highlighted the value he adds to the team at Woodloch Resort. *Good Morning America* saw his story and will be airing a clip about his accomplishments with their viewers sometime in October.

Personnel

In Developmental Services, Sara von Prime has been promoted from HCSIS Coordinator to Waiver Coordinator. Interviews are currently taking place to fill the vacant HCSIS Coordinator position. There is also a vacant Early Intervention Clerk Typist position. EI is hoping to fill this vacancy in the near future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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