

DMH CHPATER:

State wide labor management: June 11, 2010

FY11 Budget:

Both the House and the Senate have agreed on a budget. Best scenario 4million deficit, worst scenario 34million \$ deficit. DMH could absorb 4 million but 34 million would result in cuts to the inpatient account. However unless MA received 600million \$ from the federal funding by 6/30 the governor will be forced to pass an amended budget which will take into account a further 600million \$ deficit.

Furloughs and Pay Rises:

They are going ahead as announced by the Commissioner.

DMH Reorganization:

This will consolidate area office staff for administration efficiencies but should not affect 509 members. DMH will still need 2 area offices in each area to manage the administration of those areas. There has been 1 million \$ savings already but DMH needs more.

Commissioner will put out more information as more reorganization happens.

Forensic Transitional teams

FTT's has been relocated and should be in their new positions by 7/1.

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There is another meeting scheduled with Joan Mikula either 7/16 or 7/23

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The CSW committee has been working on a proposal regarding caseload/workload issues and will be meeting with Management soon to present their proposal.

New forensic unit at WSH

The new forensic unit on 2A needs to be staffed the same as the existing forensic unit on 1A. Management will ask all 509 members if there are volunteers to work on the new forensic unit. Any further issues with staffing should be addressed locally with the COO at WSH.

CM Updates:

DMH is running a mandatory training 'Person Centered Planning' for all CM staff and vendors.

The new Contract Monitoring tool is in draft form and almost ready to roll out and 509 asked for a copy of this draft. Directors of Community Services will do internal training for all; the tool is designed for data entry monitoring and will trigger a response from DMH. Not sure yet how this will affect CM's or 509 members.

Other issues:

Any vacancies will be posted depending on how the FY11 budget looks. Individual vacancies will be considered.

No early retirement packages.

Salemoffice still has serious health issues.

Swapping positions may be possible but will be considered on an individual basis.

Next meeting 7/23 Worcester State Hospital.
The notes were submitted by Sheelagh O'Connor