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A SPECIAL EDITION Newsletter of the Tri-County Board of Recovery & Mental Health Services

Frequently Asked Questions

The transition team comprised of representatives from the Tri-County Board, UVMC, Miami County Mental Health Center, Darke County Mental Health Clinic and Miami County Recovery Council continues to meet to finalize details regarding service provision for Miami County. Below are a few of the most frequently asked questions regarding the transition.

Q. I've heard that services will be provided in a one-stop-shop in Miami County. How will that work, where will it be located, and who will be involved?

Plans are still underway to streamline the tri-county behavioral health system and offer a one-stop-shop of behavioral health services for citizens in Miami County that will host the entire array of services provided by the tri-county behavioral health system.

Long term plans are to offer a one-stop-shop facility of services in two locations — one in Piqua and one in Troy. Short term plans include the immediate transition of services from MCMHC to DCMHC and MCRC. Mental health and 24-hour crisis services will continue to be provided at the current mental health center location on the UVMC campus while AoD services will be provided at MCRC. More information regarding the relocation of services and the status of the onestop-shop project will be provided as they are available.

Q. Where will services be located in Miami County?

Substance abuse and chemical dependency services will continue to be provided at the Miami County Recovery Council, 1059 N. Market St. in Troy. Mental health and 24-hour crisis services will be provided at the current mental health center location on the UVMC campus, 3130 N. Co. Rd. 25-A, until relocated to the one-stop-shop. More information regarding the relocation of services will be provided as they are available.

Q. What is the timeline for the complete transition in services?

The Miami County Recovery Council has hired staff and is taking over services provided by the Miami County Mental Health Center CHOICES program beginning April 2010. Darke County Mental Health Clinic is currently in the process of hiring staff and finalizing details to provide mental health and crisis services in Miami County in June 2010.

Q. How will all of this affect SafeHaven?

This transition will not affect SafeHaven. SafeHaven will continue to operate at their current locations in Miami and Darke Counties.

Q. How will this affect Community Housing?

Community Housing will continue to provide housing and supportive services to homeless mentally ill persons in the Tri-County area. Their administrative office, located at 1100 Wayne St. in Troy, will relocate to the one-stop-shop when that project is complete.

"The Tri-County Board remains dedicated to protecting core services provided in Miami County and will work with UVMC and the MCMHC to ensure that the transition in service provision is as seamless as possible for the clients we serve."

> Mark McDaniel Executive Director Tri-County Board

Transition Update

The *Transition Update* newsletter will be published on an ongoing basis throughout the transition of Miami County Mental Health Center to a new provider. It is our intention to keep our system, community partners, and the consumers we serve informed of the plans and progress made during this transition.

We are happy to answer your questions and address any concerns you may have during this time of transition. Please send your questions or concerns to Amanda Brown, Director of Community Resource Development at the Tri-County Board:

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Q. Please explain how crisis services will be operated?

Crisis services currently provided by the Tri-County Crisis Center under the administration of the Miami County Mental Health Center will be included in the transition to Darke County Mental Health Clinic. Crisis services will continue to be provided by the Tri-County Crisis Center located on the UVMC campus until a permanent location at the one-stop-shop is determined.

Q. What does "streamline the system" mean?

Streamlining the system means to simplify. The Board is looking at ways to more efficiently and effectively provide services in our tri-county area to improve the overall service delivery system. One way the Board will be streamlining the system is to offer services provided by the tri-county behavioral health system in a one-stop-shop location for Miami County citizens. This one-stop-shop of services will simplify our system by offering clients one location for all behavioral health services rather than having agencies and services spread out across the county.

Q. How will the expansion affect services in Darke County?

The expansion of Darke County Mental Health Clinic into Miami County will not affect services provided in Darke County.

Q. What will happen to the current staff and clients of the Miami County Mental Health Center?

The Miami County Mental Health Center has an outstanding staff of professionals committed to helping individuals in our community who are suffering from mental illness or chemical dependency. The Miami County Recovery Council has already hired several staff to expand services provided by their agency. The Darke County Mental Health Clinic is currently interviewing interested staff from MCMHC to fill positions within their agency for services provided in Miami County. It is the hope of the Transition Team to make the transition in services as seamless as possible for the clients we serve.

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