

# DHS Updates for WCHSA Executive Board Meeting August 4, 2016

## **Area Administration**

### ***Orientation for new Human Services Directors, Deputy Directors and Financial Managers***

Save the date: September 19-20<sup>th</sup> in Wisconsin Dells at the Chula Vista Resort.

Additional details including the agenda and registration information will be shared as the date approaches.

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## **Division of Long Term Care (DLTC)**

### ***Family Care/IRIS to Expand Statewide***

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) Interim Secretary Tom Engels July 28<sup>th</sup> announced plans to offer Family Care and Include Respect, I Self-Direct (IRIS) programs statewide by the first quarter of 2018. Governor Scott Walker called for the statewide expansion in his 2015-2017 state budget. This expansion covers the final seven of Wisconsin's 72 counties.

"By offering these programs statewide, and eliminating the wait list, we are ensuring our state's most vulnerable citizens have access to high quality services," Interim Secretary Engels said. "The Family Care and IRIS programs offer people the support they need to remain in their homes, where they prefer to be, as opposed to the more costly nursing home option. This expansion means members all across the state can take advantage of services that offer dignity and independence, and allow them to make their own care decisions."

## **Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS)**

### ***Governor Proclaims August 1-5, 2016 Client Rights Awareness Week***

#### **[DMHSAS Information Memo 2016-04](#)**

The Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services is pleased to announce that Governor Scott Walker has proclaimed August 1-5, 2016, as Client Rights Awareness Week. This proclamation recognizes the impact of 40 years of client rights protection for individuals receiving services for developmental disabilities, mental health, and substance use. The client rights law established a basic set of expectations regarding treatment and records privacy and access.

### ***Vote for a New Name for DMHSAS***

#### **[DMHSAS Information Memo 2016-03](#)**

Thank you for submitting suggestions for a new name for the Department of Health, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS). Four names have been selected for final a vote, and that voting closed July 28<sup>th</sup> and the new name will be announced in August.

### ***Crisis Training Grant: Recognizing and Providing Services to Individual with Dementia***

#### **[DMHSAS Numbered Memo 2016-09](#)**

2015 Wisconsin Act 274 directs the Department of Health Services to award \$250,000 in grants to counties or regions comprising multiple counties to obtain training for their mobile crisis teams on recognizing and providing services to individuals with dementia. The funding is provided on a one-time basis for state fiscal year 2017. This memo describes the application process for these funds and the expectations for their use. Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2016.

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***Coordinated Services Teams (CST) 2017 Request for Applications***

[DMHSAS Numbered Memo 2016-08](#)

This memo outlines the grant allocations of Department of Health Services (DHS) Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (DMHSAS) funding to Coordinated Services Teams (CST) Initiatives in 2017. All counties and tribes interested in 2017 funding must submit a completed application and budget by August 15, 2016. Counties that previously did not apply for CST statewide expansion funding may apply for 2017 funding.