



Welcome to the **Cuyahoga Tapestry System of Care** e-newsletter.

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Tapestry is based on the belief that when you bring together important people in a child's life with resources in their own neighborhood, a young person with even the most complicated social and emotional challenges can thrive.

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Director's Corner



Welcome to our September 2010 edition of E-Threads. In this edition you will read about our accomplishments, upcoming events, and a summary of our data. Additionally you will read about the value of community-based programming which is highlighted in the recent evaluation report by Kent State University on the Youth & Family Community Partnership (YFCP) initiative.

Tapestry is one of several models in our county which serves families using a community approach. YFCP is another one of these models. Intuitively many of us in the helping profession have known that serving children and families in the

community is the best approach. Increasingly we have evidence, like the report from KSU which supports this belief. I am encouraged by the growing collective support to continue in this direction at both the national and local levels and I invite each of you to continue in our partnership to sustain our community-based efforts.

Catherine L. Lester, MSSA
Director

News, Events, Highlights

Tapestry is pleased to welcome two new members to our team. Holly Cliffler joins us as our Training Manager and Carolyn Nabakowski joins us as our Specialist for Continuous Quality Improvement processes and data systems.



Holly Cliffl, Training Manager Carolyn Nabakowski, CQI/MIS Specialist

- The Tapestry website www.cuyahogatapestry.org is now live!
- Save the Date: The 2010 Tapestry Annual Meeting will be held on November 5th at the Visiting Nurses Association...more details forthcoming
- October 12-13 & 26-27 will be the next 4 day Wraparound Training
- 3rd Quarter CQI analysis, data dissemination and site visits - October 15 through November 12, 2010

*For more information on news, events, and highlights please contact the Tapestry office at 216-443-6067.

Data/Outcomes

Clients Enrolled, Disenrolled & Served by Care Coordination Agency (January 1, 2010 - August 31, 2010)

Indicator	# Enrolled	# Disenrolled	Total # Served
- Applewood	47	36	146
- Beech Brook	63	56	160
- Bellefaire JCB	23	7	37
- Catholic Charities	88	69	181
- Cleveland Christian Home	88	91	202
- The Village Network	13	13	28
By Cluster			
- Northeast (SMDP)	80	69	187
- Southeast (EENH)	88	66	192
- Central (USH)	29	24	86
- Westside (WSCH)	119	113	270

Timelines (January 1, 2010 - August 31, 2010)

Indicator	% of Any Contact w/in 2 days of enrollment	% Face to Face Contact w/in 7 days
By CCP providers		
- Applewood	97	56

- Beech Brook	95	81
- Bellefaire JCB	78	65
- Catholic Charities	93	61
- Cleveland Christian Home	78	42
- The Village Network	38	58

Support Groups (parent/caregiver) July 2010*

Indicator	Total # of Support Groups	Total # of Families Attending Support Groups
By Cluster		
- Northeast (SMDP)	0 (See Note 1)	0
- Southeast (EENH)	0 (See Note 2)	0
- Central (USH)	3	38
- Westside (WSCH)	0 (See Note 1)	0

Support Groups (youth) July 2010*

Indicator	Total # of Support Groups	Total # of Youth Attending Support Groups
By Cluster		
- Northeast (SMDP)	0 (See Note 1)	0
- Southeast (EENH)	0 (See Note 2)	0
- Central (USH)	3	16
- Westside (WSCH)	0 (See Note 1)	0

* due to reporting timeline, available data is one month behind

Engagement (January 1, 2010 - August 31, 2010)

Indicator	Avg. Face to Face time per month (hours)	Avg. Number of Face to Face contacts per month (times)
By CCP providers		
- Applewood	4.7	3.2
- Beech Brook	5.6	3.7
- Bellefaire JCB	2.6	2.6
- Catholic Charities	4.4	2.9
- Cleveland Christian Home	4.2	3.1
- The Village Network	3.2	3.2

Behavioral Health Diagnosis (January 1, 2010 - August 31, 2010)

Indicator	(N)	% with Behavioral Health Diagnosis
By CCP providers		
- Applewood	140	62.9
- Beech Brook	159	88.7
- Bellefaire JCB	36	94.4
- Catholic Charities	175	66.9
- Cleveland Christian Home	209	80.9
- The Village Network	27	88.9

Note 1: No support groups in July; Annual Summer Cluster Event held in place
 Note 2: No support groups in July; Family Orientation to Wraparound held in

place

Provider Services Network (August 2010)

Indicator

Children referred to services via the PSN	280
Vendors used	23 (of 34)
Dollars expended	\$505,976

Training & Workforce Development Activities (August 2010)

Indicator

Training:

- # of training sessions	1
- # of attendees	27

Learning Communities:

- # of learning communities	6
- # of attendees	38

Budget Information (January 1, 2010 - July 31, 2010)

Indicator	2010 Budget	Year to Date Expenses	Year to Date %
Personnel	\$936,602	\$416,103	44%
Contracts/Services	\$6,846,344	\$3,009,471	44%
Operating/Occupancy*	\$1,585,024	\$51,275	3%
Total	\$9,367,970	\$3,476,850	37%

* includes the match and carry over costs that will be transferred to the related index code. This transfer is initiated by OBM and will occur later in 2010.

Success Story

(as told by a Parent Advocate working with a family on a Wraparound Team):

“When I first met Ms. Helen and her son Juan*, he had just returned home from a respite stay. Juan had a history of isolating himself from his mother and wouldn’t talk to her that often.*

Ms. Helen’s goal was to have her and Juan bond together like they did before he went to respite. They worked on this goal with the help of Tapestry and their Wraparound Team. Since being involved with Tapestry, mother and son have been getting along a lot better; they now have family night and enjoy going out together to eat on occasions.

Juan has been cleaning the house and abiding by moms rules as well as rules set by the court and his probation officer. Ms. Helen and Juan’s father have grown closer and are keeping in contact to help manage their son’s behavior. Juan’s grandmother has also reconnected with the family. Mom reports a decrease in her level of stress and claims to feel better overall.

I am proud to say the goals set for this family have been accomplished by mom’s willingness to accept help, and the support of the Family Team and a Parent Advocate. The family is doing much better.”

*name changed to protect identity

Service Delivery/Capacity Building Article

Community-Based Programming - A Step in the Right Direction

The Youth and Family Community Partnership (YFCP) was developed as a community-based alternative for youngsters involved with Juvenile Court who previously would have been served in a residential setting at The Youth Development Center (YDC) in Hudson, OH. YDC closed in December of 2008 and through a partnership between the Board of County Commissioners, Juvenile Court, Residential and Community Providers, and Tapestry System of Care, the YFCP was launched.

YFCP is one of many emerging community-based programs currently being implemented in Cuyahoga County. The underlying goal of YFCP, and many of the other initiatives including the Behavioral Health/Juvenile Justice Project (BH/JJ), Tapestry System of Care, and MyCom, is to provide services to children and their families in the community's in which they live. An overarching goal of community-based programming is to decrease the number of youths that are being served in more restrictive residential settings and court placements.

A recently released preliminary outcome evaluation report on YFCP prepared by Kent State University under the direction of Dr. Daniel Flannery*, reflects significant improvement over time for youth served in the outcome study. These improvements were measured by several evaluation tools including the YLSI, GAIN SS, and the Ohio Scales. In general, these tools look at likelihood to recidivate, internalizing and externalizing disorders and problem severity and functioning.

Although this is a small sample of a large community effort to more effectively serve children and families, the initial findings are hopeful. Our community needs to focus it's commitment to advancing the practice of community-based programs and providing services in the most normalized environments possible. YFCP, and our other community-based initiatives, represent a movement that is attempting to keep children in their community, close to their families and support systems, rather than sending them away to institutions or residential settings.

* To request a copy of the report, please contact the Tapestry System of Care Office.

If you have news that you would like shared through *Threads*, or would like to add an e-mail address to the distribution list, contact Amanda Apathy at aapathy@cuyahogacounty.us or 216-443-6062.



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