



HSCB Focus

HSCB is the state-designated community collaborative for Macomb County.

New HSCB Committee Updates

UPDATES

- The Macomb Community Action Central Action Center moved to the Macomb County Family Resource Center, 196 N. Rose, Mount Clemens, MI 48043. All phone numbers remain the same.
- The Macomb Homeless Coalition has a new telephone number: (586) 213-5757.
- A short-term acute psychiatric care program for youth aged 4-17 with autism spectrum disorder and a severe physical, psychological or developmental issue has opened at Harbor Oaks Hospital in New Baltimore. For more information, call (586) 725-5777.
- Effective November 1, 2016, the Hope Center in Macomb, a client choice food pantry, will be closing permanently.

Domestic Violence Prevention

The newly-formed Domestic Violence Prevention Committee, Co-Chaired by Carmen Wargel, Macomb Community



OCTOBER
NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH

Domestic Violence Council and Dawn Walker, Department of

Health and Human Services, held its first meeting on August 18, 2016. At that meeting, the Committee reviewed the Work Plan; affirmed a “survivor-centered/offender focused philosophy (*right*); shared available resources; and, identified the needs of, and barriers for, survivors.

Membership consists of representatives from:

- ACCESS
- CARE of SEM
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Friend of the Court
- Health Department
- Lakeshore Legal Aid
- Legal Aid and Defender Association
- Macomb Batterers Intervention Program
- Macomb County Community Mental Health
- Macomb Community Domestic Violence Council
- MISD - Early On
- MISD - Great Start
- Samaritas
- Turning Point

and two survivors of domestic violence who have completed a training sponsored by Turning Point Domestic Violence Shelter.

SURVIVOR CENTERED/ OFFENDER FOCUSED

THE SURVIVOR HAS A RIGHT TO:

- be treated with dignity and respect instead of being exposed to victim-blaming attitudes
- choose the course of action in dealing with the violence instead of feeling powerless
- privacy and confidentiality instead of exposure
- non-discrimination instead of discrimination based on gender, age, race/ ethnicity, ability, sexual orientation, HIV status or any other characteristic
- receive comprehensive information to help her make her own decision instead of being told what to do

OFFENDER-FOCUSED APPROACH

- Interventions are aimed at changing the offender’s behavior rather than the survivor’s behavior
- Very focused formal and informal sanctions against the offender are central to all interventions
- The burden of addressing offenders is moved from survivors to the state, police or social service agency

Combined, these approaches provide:

For survivors = Self Determination and Safety

For abusers = Accountability

MCHAP provides services to the community

The Macomb Children's Healthcare Access Program (MCHAP) sponsored its first annual meeting on September 15, 2016. MCHAP provides services to Macomb County children and families through the Thompson Family Resource Center in Warren.

Monica Woodson, MCHAP Executive Director, announced that MCHAP completed Phase 1 of their strategies:

- Developed a Three Year Plan
- Completed a Three Year fund raising strategy
- Expanded the MCHAP Board of Director from eight to fourteen (14) representatives.
- Developed a programming model that is in support of the core CHAP services

The officers of the MCHAP Board of Directors for 2017 are:

Chair: Joe Pius, Van Dyke Public Schools

Vice-Chair: John Kinch, Macomb County Community Mental Health

Secretary: Valerie Nunn, Department of Health and Human Services

Treasurer: Darlene Vasi, MyCare Health Center

The Macomb CHAP program was established through the HSCB structure and became an HSCB Affiliated Collaborative in 2015.

For more information, call (586) 459-5108 or go to the MCHAP website:

<http://www.macombchap.org/index.html>



"The Macomb Children's Healthcare Access Program is committed to advancing health equity and improving outcomes by promoting comprehensive, cost effective, coordinated quality health care for all children in Macomb County."

MCHAP mission statement

MACOMB CHAP SERVICES

Preventative Healthcare

Education is provided to families on how to use their doctor's office for well- and sick-child care; help to schedule doctor's appointments; the appropriate use of the emergency room; and help with meeting other needs.

Transportation Services

Free round-trip transportation for primary care doctor visits is provided.

The Macomb Asthma Prevention Program (MAPP)

The asthma education program works with the family (Family MAPP); their doctor (Med MAPP); and services to schools (School MAPP).

Cooking Matters for Families

A free six-week course, in partnership with Gleaners Food Bank, focuses on nutrition, food preparation, and grocery budgeting.

Foster CARE (Coordinating Access to Resources and Education)

This partnership with DHHS targets children in foster care, assuring that their medical needs are met. This program is funded in full by the Michigan Health Endowment Fund.

Help Me Grow

In partnership with Great Start Macomb, MCHAP helps families complete the Ages and Stages Questionnaire, which pinpoints developmental progress in children between the ages of one month to 5½ years.

Supportive Services for MyCare Health Care patients

Clients are referred from each organization to the other.

Working with Health Plans on Quality Improvement Projects

MCHAP is helping some Health Plans address issues with clients.

From the Lead Agency Chair

John Kinch
HSCB Lead Agency Chair



Two years ago, the HSCB went through a re-organization of its committees structure. Some committees were eliminated and a new committee was created: The new Inter-Agency Initiatives Steering Committee (ISC). The ISC was formed to share information and identify issues/projects demanding inter-agency collaboration.

The ISC is co-facilitated by two members of the HSCB Executive Council who represent children and adult issues: William Ridella, Director/Health Officer from the Macomb County Health Department and Rhonda Powell, the Director of Macomb Community Action.

The ISC identifies issues in two ways:
1.) either an issue that has been

identified in the HSCB Annual Working Agenda; or, 2.) a response to a need that the Steering Committee identifies. These issues are then taken to the HSCB Executive Council for approval. If a topic is selected for further investigation or implementation, a Work Plan may be developed and an HSCB work group is convened to achieve the outcomes.

Since its first meeting in February 2016, two Committees have been established (*see article on page 1*) and the following topic areas were identified for further consideration and potential action:

- Financial Empowerment
- Family Resource Centers
- Aging and Youth Populations
- Food Access, Security and Quality
- Structure, marketing and delivery of services across the life span.

These five topic areas were brought to the HSCB Executive Council in September 2016 and the ISC was given authorization to explore and develop potential outcomes and narrow the topics to a list that is manageable. Later, the opportunity to initiate action on these topics will be considered.

All ISC committees are Ad hoc and when the goals, have been achieved, the members will be thanked and the Committee will be dissolved with the appreciation and gratitude of the HSCB Executive Council.

New HSCB Committees (*Continued from page 1*)



In 2014, the need for a portal of service to assess the eligibility of Macomb

County individuals and families for various human services was raised.

Such a portal of service could promote coordination, reduce duplication of services, and assure that individuals/families get the services they need.

This goal was referred to the HSCB Inter-Agency Initiatives Steering Committee for action. A Work Plan was developed and a committee formed, chaired by Laura Rios from Macomb County Department of Veteran Services.

The Portal of Service Committee is investigating the design of an electronic portal that might be used as a universal assessment/screening tool for Macomb County individuals and families.

Macomb County's I.T. department is investigating platforms that Macomb already owns and maintains to determine if any can be adapted to meet the needs of this project.

For more information about the HSCB Portal of Service Committee, contact Laura Rios, Macomb County Department of Veteran Services, (586) 469-6507.

2016 Information Exchange

The 2016 HSCB Information Exchange will be held on Thursday, October 27 2016 at the Macomb Intermediate School District, 44001 Garfield, Clinton Township, MI 48038. Registration starts at 8:30 A.M. with breakout sessions scheduled throughout the day starting at 9:00 A.M. and ending at 4:15 P.M.



**In honor of the election year,
the theme of the 2016
Information Exchange is:
“Secret Services.”**

Breakout sessions

- Refugee and Immigrant Services
- Homeless Continuum of Care
- E-cigarettes
- Internet Safety/Social Media
- Medicaid basics
- LUNA trauma services
- Work incentives for SSI/SSDI
- Family Youth Interventions
- DHHS State Emergency Relief
- Substance Abuse
- Operation Rx
- Early Childhood services
- Guardianship
- Friend of the Court
- Veteran Center
- Social Security

Registration Process

1. Go to: www.misd.net
2. Click on the “**Course Offerings**” tab on the top menu
3. Click on the “**Complete list of Courses/Events**” tab
4. Click on the “**View by Month**” tab and insert the month of October in the “**month**” box
5. Highlight “**Information Exchange**” and click “**Go**”
6. Click on “**Information Exchange 2016**”
7. Scroll down to the Information Exchange session topics and select the ones you wish to attend
8. Select one session in one or more of the four tracks (A, B, C, D)
9. Click on “**Register Today**”
10. For the “**District**” field, enter your Agency Name (e.g., Department of Health and Human Services”)
11. For the “**School**” field” enter your Agency Division (e.g., Protective Services”)
12. For the “**Position**” field, enter your Job Title (e.g., “PS Worker”)

Due to crediting requirements deadlines, Social Work and CMH Children’s Contact hours are not available for this event. Substance Abuse Continuing Education credits are available.

For problems with online registration, contact Carmen Julia Garcia, MISD, (586) 228-3526 or cjulia@misd.net.

For more information about the Information Exchange, contact the Event Co-Chairs: Jenn Putney, (586) 469-5642 or jennifer.putney@macombgov.org or Carmen Julia Garcia, (586) 228-3526 or cjulia@misd.net

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