

Recipient Rights Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Members: Amie Kupovits, Amit Agrawal, Diane Sansalone, Elizabeth Martin, Hunter Parker, James Diegel, Judi Summers, Melanie Coffey, Miguel Quintero, Renee Judkins, Renee Neddo, Sarah Guadalupe, Ph.D, Sylvia Clark, Ursula Bolton

Date:	August 7, 2025	Start Time:	4:00 pm	Stop Time:	5:15 pm	Location:	Michigan
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Absent: Amit Agarwal, Melanie Coffey, Miguel Quintero, Dr Sarah Guadalupe

OCHN Staff: Vicki Suder

Guest: Trisha Zizumbo and Frances Carley

Facilitator:	Renee Neddo, Chair	Scribe:	Michelle Nabozny
1. Member Attendance	Roll call for the RRAC meeting was completed.		
2. Public Comment	Public comments: None		
3. Vote for RRAC Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ James decided to resign as chair. ➤ Renee N nominated herself as Chair. Ursula B motioned, Renee J seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 10 yes and 0 no. ➤ Renee J was nominated as Vice Chair. Renee N motioned, Hunter P seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 10 yes and 0 no. 		
4. Approval of Agenda Items & Meeting Minutes [June 5, 2025]	<p>Agenda Items: Diane S motioned to approve the agenda items. Hunter P seconded the motion. Agenda Items passed by voice vote.</p> <p>June 5, 2025 Meeting Minutes: Hunter P motioned to approve the June meeting minutes; Renee N seconded the motion. Meeting minutes passed by voice vote.</p>		
6. Goal 4: Continue to get to know OCHN/ Rights Leadership & Committee members – Hunter Parker	<p>Michelle Nabozny introduced herself and her role as the Rights Team Support Specialist. Michelle brought visuals of who she is outside OCHN (art therapy, Equine horse therapy and Turtles to remind her to go with the flow of life and how to move in this world like water.</p> <p><u>Members' Questions and Comments:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hunter welcomed Michelle in and shared "He hopes she stays here for a very long time." 2. Vicki shared we have a team Challenge and asked what Michelle committed to during it? 		

7. Update on PIHP RFP BID – Presented by Trisha Zizumbo and Frances Carley

Trisha Z and Frances C informed the RRAC that MDHHS announced it would issue an RFP [Request For Proposal] bid for the function of PIPH for the public mental health system.

Trisha and Frances shared the following:

- PIHP – Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan: These are regional entities in Michigan responsible for managing Medicaid mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD), and substance use disorder (SUD) services. Oakland County is a PIHP region.
- RFP – Request for Proposal: A formal process issued by the state to solicit bids or applications from entities (like PIHPs) interested in managing behavioral health services.
- BID – Bid (Proposal Submission): The submitted proposal in response to an RFP. This is where existing PIHPs or new organizations compete for the chance to manage funds and services in each region. We are collaborating with other counties to see what umbrella we will be under with the bids of PIHP.
- MDDHS has changed the regions from 10 PIHPs to 3 PIHPs in the bid. Oakland County would be part of the Region that includes Macomb and Wayne Counties.
- For Oakland Community Health Network: We continue to advocate strongly for the value of local oversight and not the merging of Oakland, Macomb and Wayne into one region. OCHN will place a bid.

Members' Questions and Comments:

1. What is an PIHP?
2. What is a RFP?
3. Coule we have townhall meeting with Oakland, Macomb and Wayne.
4. What makes OCHN standout that would showcase us? What is our collaboration strong holds? Show how you support people differently.
5. I hope you have not underestimated the division of the families. They don't know the points that are important. The ear of the community is missing. You must take seriously the different points of view of persons and families. Do a Q&A and make it easy to understand.
6. There are people who still don't know why things have to happen to them such as being put in the wrong Medicaid category and direct care professionals losing \$4 per hour.

<p>8. Legislative Update (Such as Medicaid) - Presented by Trisha Zizumbo and Frances Carley</p>	<p>Frances C shared OCHN is working on advocating against the Federal Medicaid cuts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These cuts will not happen immediately but in a couple of years we will feel the impact of the cuts. • OCHN is working on educating County leadership and finding ways to collaborate to get ahead of this. • There will be work requirements for some persons on Medicaid. SNAP benefits will be reduced. • There is no movement on the current Michigan budget. OCHN has asked for \$3 million for a Behavioral Walk in Center.
<p>9. Goal 2: Review in Detail the “Your Rights Handbook” Presented by Vicki Suder</p>	<p>Vicki reviewed Pages 14- 15 up to Money the Rights Handbook. The topics included Mail, Telephone, Visitors, Entertainment Materials, Religion, Personal Property, and Money.</p>
<p>10. Goal 3: Inform the OCHN Board of community concerns as identified to the Board Representative - Presented by Chair</p>	<p>Judi shared the board should know about what was discussed by the RRAC during Item #7 about what is on the mind of the community.</p>
<p>11. FY25 Goals Status Update – Presented by Vicki Suder</p>	<p>Vicki reviewed the status of the RRAC FY25 Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ GOAL #1 Take necessary steps to revitalize Mentoring Program: Currently five members have mentors. ➤ GOAL #2 Review in detail the “Your Rights Handbook”: This has been reviewed at five RRAC meeting. ➤ GOAL #3 Inform the OCHN Board of Community concerns as identified to the Board representative: At five meetings RRAC members brought up concerns it wanted the OCHN Board to know about. ➤ GOAL #4 Continue to get to know the members of the OCHN and Rights Leadership teams and RRAC members: Six different staff or RRAC members presented so far.
<p>12. Reappointment of RRAC Member – Hunter Parker Presented by Chair</p>	<p>Hunter P first three term is ending in August 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Hunter expressed wanting to be reappointed to a second three-year term ➤ Renee J motioned to recommend Hunter P to a second term. Ursula seconded motion.

	➤ Voice vote: 10 yes, 0 no.
13. Rights Updates - Presented by Vicki Suder	Vicki shared the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ursula B presented at the OCHN Board July Meeting – Stories that Inspire. She did a great job. 2. The Dan Moran Award winners who were honored at the Your Voice Your Value event was Renee N. and Jessica T. 3. Renee J was approved to the Appeals Committee by the OCHN Board. 4. Please be aware of these new phone numbers: Customer Service 888-847-0513 & ORR Main Line 248-975-9578 5. There is a Conference scholarship open for one member. Ursula, Renee N, Diane and Sylvia Plus Renee J (tentative), interested in the scholarship. Transportation is a concern for the 3-hour distance. Michelle confirmed she will check hotel conference availability. Members will be contacted for a final decision once we determine if rooms are available.
14. Site Visit Report – Presented by Vicki Suder	Vicki share the data from the OCHN Contracted Sites Reviewed FY25 June RRAC Report. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ As of 7/2/25 67% of service sites requiring a site visit have been completed ➤ There are currently 505 sites.
15. Agenda Items for the next meeting Sept 4, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Goal 2: Review in detail the “Your Rights Handbook” [pg. 15 beginning at Freedom of Movement – pg. 16] ➤ Goal 4: Continue to get to know OCHN/Rights leadership & Committee members – Greg Szopo – Rights Specialist ➤ Rights Budget Review ➤ Goal 3: Inform the OCHN Board of community concerns as identified to the Board Representative. ➤ Site Visit Reports
16. Public Comment	No public comment
17. Member Comments	Judi congratulated Renee N on being the leader of the RRAC.
18. Meeting Adjourned	Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 4, 2025, at 4:00 pm

Michelle Nabozny 8/20/2025