

Psychiatrists Leadership and Advocacy Group (PLAG)
Minutes from 9/2/15 Meeting

Members Present – Child and Family Guidance Center, Dallas Metrocare, Adapt, Lakes Regional MHMR, Homeward Bound, Solace, Green Oaks Hospital, VA

Homeward Bound Updates

- Dr. Noss, Homeward Bound Medical Director, attended the meeting and provided information and updates related to their services.
 - Dr. Noss has been reviewing and revising exclusionary criteria and agreed to distribute the updated criteria to the group.
 - There have been some updates to detox protocols.
 - They are now accepting pregnant women for services with the exception of detox.
 - Homeward Bound is also working to improve processes related to continuity of care. This includes a discharge sheet for clients as well as a faxed document for receiving outpatient providers.
 - The current Homeward Bound property located in Dallas has been sold. Homeward Bound will be relocating within the next year or so and is currently in the process of identifying a new location.

Solace Updates

- Dr. Patel, Solace Medical Director, attended the meeting and provided information and updates related to their services.
 - Discussed scope of services.
 - Provided update on Serenity Crisis Residential Program. This program is currently set up to take only direct referrals from Green Oaks Hospital.

Other Discussion

- Discussed authorizations for Suboxone and identified providers who are currently prescribing Suboxone or planning to have credentialed physicians on staff.
- Discussed authorizations for Crisis Residential Services.
- Briefly discussed NorthSTAR transition planning related to SUD services.
- The group also discussed the importance and role of respite services.
- Dr. Ahmed has offered to host the October PLAG meeting at the Dallas County Jail.