



River Edge Behavioral Health

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River Edge Behavioral Health Center

Knowledge Network Update
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Technical Modifications:

Goal #1: CIO will begin participating in the KN Data Warehouse implementation monthly or as needed.

Goal #2: REBHC's CIO will work with CareLogic System Administrator to create mechanism to report outcomes.

Goal #3: CIO will work with CareLogic System Administrator to integrate real time clinical decision support tool into the electronic system.

Goal #4: Set up and run a weekly data pull into KN Data Warehouse.

Goal #5: Scripted weekly submissions tested and validated.

Deliverable: Outcomes Report

Due Date: October 2010

Deliverable: Integrated CDS Tool ready for testing

Due Date: May 2011

Deliverable: Successful data transfer into KN Data Warehouse

Due Date: March 2011

Clinical Modifications:

Goal #1: REBHC's Policy & Development Department will develop and implement an aggressive education campaign on the benefits and risks of clozapine based on Dr. Meltzer's work and address staff concerns.

Goal #2: REBHC's P&D Dept will work with CareLogic System Administrator to create a monthly report to monitor the level of clozapine prescriptions, by site.

Goal # 3: REBHC's P&D Dept will work with IT Dept and Clinical Team to identify and implement a real time clinical decision support tool.

Deliverable: Lunch and Learn with Medical staff re: Clozapine use.

Due Date: March 2011

Deliverable: Real-time Clozapine prescription report

Due Date: March 2011

Deliverable: Clozapine CDS Tool in Use

Due Date: July 2011



Since becoming a member of the Knowledge Network, River Edge Behavioral Health Center (River Edge) has been actively participating in the Technology, Implementation and Policy workgroups. River Edge appreciates the continued opportunity to be a member and values the mission and the work of the Knowledge Network.

Technical Modifications:

Both the CIO and Carelogic Systems Administrator have been working with the Knowledge Network staff who have been developing the KN Data Warehouse. As of Friday, April 1, 2011, River Edge had their first successful transmission of data to the KN Data Warehouse. The data for the warehouse can be pulled easily from our Electronic Record; however, scripting the data for transmission has taken 1 staff member 3 days to fully execute. This has been largely due to the way we code our data in our Electronic Record and how the data needs to be presented for the transmission to be successful. Our next step is to work with the Knowledge Network to develop a mechanism for scripting the data more efficiently as we are unable to dedicate that amount of staff time for each data pull.

Clinical Modifications:

According to the Medical Director of River Edge, of the 15,000 persons served annually, there are very few who are on clozapine. This has been largely due to the side effects and the difficulty in monitoring the individual as required. Typically clozapine is given as a last resort and it is dependent of the compliance of the individual to come in to all appointments that are required (which the individuals who are in need of clozapine are the most ill). The following action steps have been put in place to increase the prescription of clozapine:

- Securing additional materials and research on clozapine to distribute to all of our prescribers
- Having all of prescribers participate in the proposed webinar
- Include the new Pharmacist in the workgroup calls so that he can be informed of the work of the KN
- Have the Pharmacist pull baseline reports on clozapine prescriptions

This update is prepared by Kathleen C. Varda, Director of Policy and Development. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have questions about the report.