Notes from the Program Director

WELCOME!

Welcome to the inaugural newsletter of the Wisconsin Charles E. Kubly Child Psychiatry Consultation Program (CPCP). This publication is specifically aimed at our enrolled providers, to disseminate updates about the project, announcements from around the state, and also educational material concerning mental health treatment you may find useful in your practice.

Each edition of our newsletter will include updates from Drs. Jon Lehrmann and Robert Chayer, the project leaders, and from our project coordinators, Sara Herr and Jonathan Blake, regarding the Milwaukee and Northern Region Hubs. You will also see columns dedicated to medications and other “Tools of the Trade” for behavioral and mental health management, and finally announcements regarding “What is Valuable to Know,” including available resources from our intake coordinator, Rich Robinson.

We have fielded almost 150 calls and emails from you, our enrolled providers, and these are increasing every day. Most of these calls (87%) dealt with management of medications, and resulted in consultation from our child psychiatrists. In our section “Mental Health Highlights,” we spotlight one of these encounters, demonstrating how our team can help you. As a reminder, we also have a psychologist on staff, Matt Jandrisevits, (see his column regarding the PHQ-9 screening tool in this issue in “Tools of the Trade”), who is also available to answer questions regarding behavioral health treatment. He can provide consultation regarding, for example, how to direct parents to help their kids cope with grief, loss, divorce, etc., ways of gradually re-introducing kids into daily routines and school as they recover from a long-term illness or injury, or brief cognitive-based and behavioral strategies to help improve mood.

We have received 171 Baseline Surveys from enrolled providers, as well as 20 Follow-up Surveys, and 45 Provider Satisfaction Surveys. We thank you for completing these important surveys, as they allow us to gauge the impact we are having upon the management of mental health in children. This is vital information for future efforts to expand our services.

As we continue our expansion in the Milwaukee and Northern Regions, we look forward to continuing to support you in managing the mental health needs of children in Wisconsin. You will be hearing more from the project coordinators regarding further educational opportunities and other resources in the coming months, feel free to contact them with any program-related questions. Also, we hope to see you at our Stakeholders Meetings in July (see “What is Valuable to Know” for more information). Finally, we encourage you to continue to reach out for consultation to our phone line and email address, our team is standing by!

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MENTAL HEALTH HIGHLIGHTS

Presenting Problem:
Enrolled provider utilized CPCP email address and described patient as a teen boy with anxiety and depression, on Prozac 20mg/day. Provider stated that his depression has improved, but wants better anxiety control. Question: Should Prozac be raised or switched to a different medication?

Outcome:
Recommendation was to raise Prozac to 30mg/day x 2 weeks, and further to 40mg/day at that point to try to decrease the anxiety, rather than switch medications.

Teaching Point:
It often takes a higher dose of SSRI to treat anxiety, with depression often responding to a lower dose. It is better to maximize the Prozac than to switch, due to partial benefit seen.
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The CPCP has successfully launched two initial hubs both in the Milwaukee area and Northern Region of Wisconsin. We hope you will find this newsletter to be informative and a helpful tool of communication. We welcome feedback from you so that we can continue to improve our collaborative process and our publication. Thank you.

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THE PHQ-9 QUESTIONNAIRE

In each newsletter, we will describe a different screening or intervention tool that can easily be utilized within the primary care visit. For this issue, we will focus on the Pediatric Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) to assess for adolescent depression and suicidality, applicable for youth ages 12-18 years. The American Academy of Pediatrics has endorsed this tool, with evidence of solid psychometric properties (88% sensitivity and 88% specificity) as well as ease of administration. The PHQ-9 contains nine items that screen for common depressive symptoms experienced over the past two weeks. Additional items assess the negative effect of symptoms on life functioning as well as current or history of suicidality. The PHQ-9 can be completed as a self-report by patients, or administered by medical or office staff. It takes approximately five minutes to complete and interpret. Scores are assigned for each item ranging from 0 (“Not At All”) to 3 (“Nearly Every Day”). Guidelines for interpretation are as follows:

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<th>PHQ-9 Score</th>
<th>Depression Severity</th>
<th>Proposed Treatment Actions</th>
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<tr>
<td>0–4</td>
<td>None-minimal</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>5–9</td>
<td>Mild</td>
<td>Watchful waiting; repeat PHQ-9 at follow-up</td>
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<tr>
<td>10–14</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Treatment plan, considering counseling, follow-up and/or pharmacotherapy</td>
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<tr>
<td>15–19</td>
<td>Moderately</td>
<td>Active treatment with pharmacotherapy and/or psychotherapy</td>
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<td>20–27</td>
<td>Severe</td>
<td>Immediate initiation of pharmacotherapy and, if severe impairment or poor response to therapy, expedited referral to a mental health specialist for psychotherapy and/or collaborative management</td>
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From Kroenke K, Spitzer RL. Psychiatric Annals 2002;32:509-521


For screening purposes, a severity score of 10 or higher indicates a positive screen for depression. Additionally, follow-up conversation with patients is recommended if they report any symptoms that occur more than half the days, or interfere with daily functioning. For those who screen positive for depression or endorse any of the suicidality items, follow up discussion of treatment options and/or crisis resources is recommended. Options include:

- [www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)
- [www.locator.apa.org](http://www.locator.apa.org)
- [http://www.aamft.org/iMIS15/AAMFT/Content/Directories/Find_a_Therapist.aspx](http://www.aamft.org/iMIS15/AAMFT/Content/Directories/Find_a_Therapist.aspx)

You may also call the CPCP phone line to discuss questions or clinical direction.

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REGIONAL CENTERS—CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

The State is divided into five regional centers: Western (based in Chippewa Falls), Southern (based in Madison), Northern (based in Wausau), Northeastern (based in Neenah), and Southeastern (based in Milwaukee). These centers offer information and assistance to families in addressing a wide variety of concerns and needs for children and youth from birth to 21 years old. The staff is available to solve difficult situations, locate regional services, assist with communication with schools/health benefits offices, and access to support groups and educational resources, just to name a few. Typical examples of special health care needs include, but are not limited to, medical and mental health diagnoses, cognitive disabilities, and hearing/vision impairments. There may also be parents of children with special health care needs on staff. Personal experience is a true asset! Offices are open Monday through Friday 8am-4:30pm.

Not sure of which region you fall into? Contact Wisconsin First Step at either 800-642-7837 or online at www.mch-hotlines.org, a 24-hour information and referral hotline.

WISCONSIN CHARLES E. KUBLY CPCP Stakeholder Meeting

The CPCP pilot program provides primary care clinicians with psychiatric consultation services, educational programming, referral support, and links to community resources.

Join us in Wausau Wednesday, July 29, 2015
Northcentral Technical College
100 West Campus, Wausau, WI 54401

AGENDA
9:00am–9:30am .........................Registration
9:30am–9:45am ......Wisconsin CPCP Team
9:45am–10:45am ......CPCP Pilot 2014–2015
10:45am–11:15am.......... Early Successes
11:15am–11:45am......Questions & Answers
11:45am–12:00pm ..........Evaluation Survey

No pre-registration is necessary

Learn more! Email the CPCP Advisory Council at klabracke@wiaap.org

SAVE THE DATE!

Care Integration:
Models, Tools, & Measurement
Supporting Medical Homes and Youth Health Transitions

For professionals who work with children, youth, and young adults with special health care needs and their families

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2015
GREAT WOLF LODGE, WISCONSIN DELLS

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