**DMH/DD/SAS Updates for the DSS Adult Services Committee: 04/13/2022:**

* Work is continuing to help LME/MCOs prepare for Tailored Plan launch on December 1st, 2022; Business Units composed of staff from DMH/DD/SAS and DHB are working to review documents submitted by the LME/MCOs.
* The **TBI Program is recruiting for membership on the TBI Grant Steering Committee.** This steering committee plays an important role in oversight of grant activity, monitoring project progress, making recommendations, problem solving challenges and other critical functions. Interested individuals should contact Michael Brown at: [michael.brown@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:michael.brown@dhhs.nc.gov) at DMH/DD/SAS. All are welcome and encouraged to join!
* Marti Knisley, the Independent Reviewer for the **DOJ Settlement Agreement** (SA) with the State, is conducting spring reviews with each of the LME/MCOs. She is following a similar format with each one: meeting with Transition to Community Living (TCL) leadership from the LME/MCOs, then separate meetings with Supported Employment, Community Support Teams, Peer Support Service, ACT and Transition Management Service providers and VR staff.
  + The current end date of the SA has been extended to June 30, 2023. These spring reviews will be the last ones done before all the critical parties come together in January to discuss the Settlement and North Carolina’s work in meeting the terms of the SA. These reviews must be completed by the end of July to ensure time for reviewing, editing, etc. before Marti gets her final report out to DOJ sometime around Thanksgiving. There were 103 requirements in this SA and it was one of the most comprehensive SAs in the country for individuals with mental illness.

* + Critical areas related to TCL in the SA:
    - Divert people from Adult Care Homes to the community
    - Help people pursue employment or education
    - Provide people the services they need to live full and meaningful lives in the community.

For any questions, please feel free to reach out to Lisa Jackson at: [lisa.jackson@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:lisa.jackson@dhhs.nc.gov).

Thank you!