### Information Item P-1: Presentation on Healthy Minds Fairfax Website

### **ISSUE:**

The Children's Behavioral Health Systems of Care Blueprint calls for the development of a local website to help parents and others access services for children and youth with behavioral health issues.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On March 4, 2016 the CPMT approved a multi-year children's behavioral health system of care blueprint for calendar years 2016 through 2019, and fiscal years, 2017, 2018, and 2019. The Blueprint represents goals and strategies to be implemented by and with the support of Fairfax County human services departments and Fairfax County Public Schools to address the behavioral health needs of children, youth and families community-wide. Wherever possible and appropriate, the public entities responsible for implementation of particular strategies noted in the plan work in conjunction with family, consumer and other non-profit organizations, and provider agencies. Moreover, consistent with the system of care principles, families and consumers are involved in planning, implementation and evaluation of activities to implement the Blueprint.

# Goal 6: System Navigation

Educate/inform/assist families on how to access services and navigate the system to include developing an accurate and accessible database of behavioral health care providers that includes information on if they are accepting new clients, if they accept insurance and their areas of expertise.

Strategy 1: Develop an accurate, accessible and real-time database of behavioral health care providers that includes information on if they are accepting new clients, if they accept insurance, and their areas of expertise, with functionality to assist families in understanding behavioral health issues and in navigating the system to access services.

### **ATTACHMENT:**

None

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