

Community Information Exchange April Meeting Summary

On Thursday, April 20th, 2023, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), with the support of the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI) and Open Referral Initiative, convened the seventh Community Information Exchange Task Force meeting. Members of the task force include representatives from community-based organizations (CBOs), health care organizations, health payers, health IT, consumers, and government entities.

At the April CIE Task Force meeting, the task force heard from Crystal Corpi and Steph White from the MDHHS MiBridges team. [MiBridges](#) is our statewide web application for reaching temporary assistance. Of particular interest to the CIE Task Force are the capacities MiBridges has to support community referral partners to provide client referrals, including to food assistance, housing and shelter, utilities support, transportation, childcare, etc. MiBridges can support community partners to directly receive client referrals and to access a directory of clients they have assisted through MiBridges.

The group spent the remainder of the April meeting working toward refining final recommendations on the development of statewide CIE capacities. MDHHS published the [Community Information Exchange Task Force Interim Report](#) in early March detailing its work toward five key objectives. The CIE Task Force's final objective is to generate actionable and operationalizable recommendations and articulate potential pilot scenarios. The final set of recommendations will provide guidance as to the prioritized capabilities for CIE, the appropriate balance between statewide and regional/local capacities and roles, prospective principles, and processes for governance, incentives and adoption support for CBOs, guidance for legal agreements, and a roadmap for implementation.

Prior to the April meeting, the CIE Task Force Executive Committee fielded a survey to its members on a drafted set of recommendations. The group spent the remainder of its April meetings in breakout discussions reviewing concerns and/or questions and objections to the drafted final recommendations, as well as proposing revisions and alternatives to the objectives.

The CIE Task Force final report will be published in late summer of 2023 following the final Task Force meeting in June.

The task force meets the third Thursday of each month through at least June of 2023.

About CIE: The Community Information Exchange (CIE) is a localized effort to create and sustain the technology and relationships required to support the social needs of both individual and community. CIE maximizes a person-centered approach by ensuring social care information is collected only as needed and is stored safely. CIE also promotes streamlined access to health enhancing non-clinical services (e.g., social services and supports), helping to coordinate care across a variety of clinical and non-clinical partners, while using data on existing community resources, needs, and gaps to drive policy change.

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