

**Clinical Advisory Committee**  
**PDS Conference Room**  
**November 19, 2008**  
**12:00PM**

**I. Approval of Clinical Guidelines**

**a. Employment Guidelines –**

Bonnie and Ted have reviewed the general resources for Employment Guidelines. There we no big changes in this guideline except that the amount of money a person on disability can make per year changes every year. We have referenced a government website for the current amount.

Motion to approve; seconded, motion carries. We have a forum on the vote and those providers have been here. Motion carries.

**II. Restriction of State Funded Services –**

A letter was sent to providers from Dan concerning the shortfall in our state funding.

Our monies have been cut by the State. Currently it is a 3% reduction and it may be more. We are going to curtail some services and hope this will make up the shortfall. Medicaid funded services are not threatened but unfortunately state funded will be managed indirectly by cutting or limiting some services. We have been to manage clinically but out of necessity will have to manage by resource availability and clinical appropriateness.

Several providers had heard of a 3% reduction now and a 2% later. This is a total of 5%. The cut is not believed to be over 5%.

**III. Cultural Competency**

We had a meeting today with Wilma Townsend - She brought numbers of rates of services for different ethnic groups, their diagnosis, and percent of people who get services. – African Americans – a rate of 11 to 12% higher than Caucasians. PBH has the data to get more information. Dr. Hummel will meet with Tamika and Wilma again to obtain more statistics.

**IV.** We will pay a stipend for people to come to this meeting. Hopefully this will help and we will get information on the rates for everyone next meeting.

**Next meeting.....January 21, 2009.....12:00PM**