

DDS STATEWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Location: BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

Date: Sept. 18, 2015

Attendance

DDS Commissioner Elin Howe, Christine Shane (Chair), Pat Campbell, Cathe Carpenter, Lisa Ching, Mark Cleveland, Maria Damiano, Lusa Lo, Sue Loring, Pat Pakos, Ann Paszko, Judi Rodger and Victor Hernandez (DDS)

Guest: Lisa Schouten (NC-CAB)

Agenda Items

1. Chairman called meeting to order 9: 26am
2. June 19, 2015 SAC meeting minutes approved.
3. Member introductions and background.
4. Victor Hernandez updated members regarding member search efforts. These efforts involve attending CAB meetings in the Central, Western and Southeastern part of the state. At these meetings DDS initiatives were updated and inviting members to contact me if they are interested in joining the SAC or referring someone they think would be interested in joining. Also discussed with the CABs was the commitment to expand meeting locations to other parts of the state and through the video-conferencing that is now available at various DDS locations throughout the state.
5. Chairman led discussion regarding SAC meeting goals/agenda items for year. Topics included strengthening the connection with local CABs, expand the relationships with statewide organizations (e.g. MFOFC, AFAM, etc.) and advising on frequency of meetings/agenda.
6. Commissioner Howe updated members regarding: Eligibility expansion (numbers eligible, DDS infrastructure; service development); DDS/DMH initiative (collaborative clinical services development, co-training opportunities between the two agencies, identified staff liaison between the two agencies); ERIP update (final numbers positions/ payroll); Real Lives update (work plan implementation; data repository development, advisory board meetings update); Staff Fingerprint Review (technology update. Jan 1st implementation plan, discussions with provider organizations, future staff outreach)

7. Retreat/Annual Conference review & discussion conducted by Pat Campbell. Session topics were finalized: Shared Living & Aging Issues. Agenda suggestions were discussed along with meal suggestions. Volunteers were identified for registration and conference set up. Weekly conference calls will be arrange to review updates and need areas.
8. Chairman adjourned meeting at 12:14pm

Action Items

1. Weekly conference call (Thursdays @ 4pm) for SAC conference development – Victor H.
2. Conference registration development – Victor H

Other Notes

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