**TRANSCOM MEETING**

May 26, 2017

***Attendees:*** *Alicia Anzaldi, Jonathan Bowen-Leopold (phone), Deborah Delman, Jon Delman (phone), Nan Donald, John Frazier, Jenna Gillies, Yuka Gordon, Steve Hahn, and Marcia Webster (phone).*

Announcements:

* MOAR’s Annual Fundraiser, MOAR Laughs, will be held on Sunday May 30th in Arlington from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Comics are members in long-term recovery. Tickets are $20.
* The Metro-Boston RLC will be undergoing structural changes in FY2018. North Suffolk will start operating Hope Center. The Ruby Rogers Center and Transitional Employment will be closing. A new RLC location will be opening July 1st on Mount Auburn Street near Harvard Square and will be operated by Bay Cove. Yuka Gordon will send flyer to Transcom members when the site is opening.
* The dissolving of the Metro-Suburban RLC was briefly discussed. The Transformation Center has added two new sites to Central RLC: one in Framingham and one in Canton. The North site will go to the Northeast RLC, Quincy will go to the Southeast RLC in June and the area from Brighton to Woburn will go to the Northeast.
* The Transformation Center’s Community Voice Gatherings will be hosting a CPS and Peer Worker Summit on June 2nd at Clark University. Registration will be posted online either today or Tuesday, May 30th. The topic will be focusing on Continuing Education and CEUs.
* DMH’s RFI on how to re-design the CBFS program was briefly discussed, particularly determining if Transcom should respond to it. The deadline is June 2nd. All agree to submit the draft documents with a note that Transcom will have a final version ready by July 1st.
* PPAL’s Annual 7th Annual Conference & Celebration was held on Friday May 19th in Marlborough MA. The keynotes were: Linea & Cinda Johnson, authors of *Perfect Chaos: The Story of a Mother’s and Daughter’s Journey through Mental Illness towards Hope*.

Public Meeting Minutes:

* The DMH public meeting law requires all public meetings to post approved minutes to the DMH Public Access website. In the past, Transcom has posted the agenda a week ahead but DMH has now requested that Transcom post the meeting minutes as well.
* Concern was raised over Transcom members being mentioned in the minutes. All agree that only guest presenters will be mentioned.
* The minutes from last Transcom meeting were reviewed and approved.
* Whether to post the conference call to determine Transcom’s agenda was raised. It depends on how many participants.

Review Completed Documents:

* The documents “Transcom Appeal to Policy Leaders” and “Transcom Q&A” were reviewed. The documents were created to clarify Transcom’s “asks,” and to prepare for Summit II. The deadline is July 1st.
* There was a brief discussion on CPS and Recovery Coach cross-training. All agree that there should be cross-training to help address co-occurring disorders.
* The following suggestions were made for “Transcom Appeal to Policy Leaders:’
  + - Add a section on co-occurring disorders
    - Review the BRASS-TAC documents regarding CPSs and recovery coaches and add some recommendations to this document.
    - Consolidate the bullets on page two.
    - Re-arrange the order so that the Policy Appeals section comes after the introduction.
    - Move the first two bullets on page two to the first page.
* Alicia offered to help edit the “Appeal to Policy Leaders” document.
* The following suggestions were made for the “Transcom Q & A” document:
  + - * Change “colleagues” to “peer support colleagues” on page two.
      * Change “spectrum” to “continuum” on page three.
* The suggested revisions will be reviewed by Steve and Marcia.

*Minutes Approved June 23, 2017*