

Regional Service Council Minutes Region #12

Meeting Date: April 10, 2017
Meeting Location: Fayette County DCS Conference Room
Meeting Chair: Kelly Owens
Meeting Secretary: Myrna Baldwin

Meeting Called to Order at: 3:31 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Bill Ammerman, Rush County DCS; Kathy Hobson, Fayette County DCS; and Aimee Reese, Franklin County CASA/Foster Care Representative.

Council Members Absent: Karen Bowen, Wayne County CASA; Kimyi Taylor Henry County DCS; Bette Jones, Fayette County Prosecuting Attorney; Judge Bob Witham, Henry County Circuit Court; Judge Brian Hill, Rush Superior Court; David Balmer, Henry County DCS; Catherine McNamara, Franklin County DCS; and Tonya Smith, Rush County DCS.

Others In Attendance: Hannah Robinson, Regional Service Coordinator; Stephen Groce, Choices; Norm Smith and April Coffin, Wernle; Amy Crossley, DCS Continuance Quality Improvement; Erin Lambert, Franklin/Union County DCS; Lisa Suttle, Reid Health; Mary Anne Butters, Wayne County Commissioner; Debbie Branfield, Crossroad; Katrina Norris, Fayette Regional Care Pavilion; Jason Woods and Jessica Pflum, Meridian Health Services; and Chelsea Shelburne, Indiana Trafficking victims Assistance Program. Also in attendance via conference call, Lisa Whitaker, Program Director, Continuance Quality Improvement.

<h3>Meeting Minutes</h3>

I. Welcome, Introductions

- a) Council lacked a quorum – no votes were taken
- b) Meeting agenda distributed.
- c) Introductions and welcome.
- d) Erin Lambert serving as proxy for Catherine McNamara

II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

III. Quality Service Review Results

Amy Crossley distributed the *Quality Service Review Indicators* handout prior to Kelly Owens presenting a Power Point presentation containing the results of the Quality Service Review (QSR) that was conducted on January 10-11, 2017. Amy Crossley and Lisa Whitaker also provided feedback and guidance as to what the results represented.

Hannah Robinson questioned if any service gaps were identified. Crossley and Whitaker noted LGBTQ youth services were either not specifically available or referred as well as underlying

trauma. Individualizing services to fit specific needs are reflected in the child and family planning process.

IV. Regional Service Coordinator

Hannah Robinson reporting there is no date set for Request for Proposals (RFP) and no new contracts before July 1. Any provider wishing to expand or remove services should contact Robinson. Discussion was had regarding available residential detox/treatment providers.

V. Community Partners for Child Safety

Representative of Community Partners was unable to attend.

VI. Regional Financial Manager Report

Bob Daugherty, Region 12 Finance Manager, unable to attend.

VII. Prevention Dollars

A planning committee has reviewed requests for prevention dollars. Owens reported she will present the committee's recommendations electronically to the council and providers will be notified soon.

VIII. Other Business

No other business to discuss.

IX. Public Comment

- Lisa Suttle asked if there was a Neo Natal Abstinence service standard. Robinson advised there was not one she was aware of, but that a provider could submit information which would then be presented to the Regional Manager. Owens noted there are a few pilot programs in the state begun by hospitals with input given by DCS Regional Managers.
- Stephen Groce, informed the council that Choices, with a grant from DMHA and the Health Department, will begin a service that will mainly focus on coordination. They will correlate services ensuring peer coordination as well as transportation to appointments and identifying fathers. The kick off for this is set for June 1, 2017. The program serves mostly Region 15, however it does include Franklin County.
- Wernle is now scheduling child hearsay referrals and trauma assessments. Slots for sexual maladaptive for boys are open.
- Hobson and Lambert spoke about the Pinwheels for Prevention events in Fayette and Franklin/Union Counties.

X. Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be held on July 10, 2017, at 3:30pm, at the Fayette County Local DCS Office.

Bill Ammerman made the motion to adjourn with Erin Lambert seconding. Meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

**Regional Service Council Electronic Vote
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Council Members Voting Electronically: Karen Bowen, David Balmer, Judge Brian Hill, Bill Ammerman, Tonya Smith, Aimee Reese, Kathy Hobson, Judge Bob Witham, Catherine McNamara, and Kimyi Taylor.

Council Members Not Responding: Bette Jones

On February 13, 2017, Hannah Robinson, Regional Service Coordinator, submitted a request to the Council through an email to Council Chair, Kelly Owens. An electronic request for voting was issued to council members on February 13, 2017.

On February 14, 2017, with a majority of votes cast in favor, the proposal was adopted as follows:

The agency, First Achieve the Challenges for Excellence (FACE), is interested in expanding services to Rush, and Henry counties. They have been contracted for a few years in R 10, R 11, and R 14. I asked the coordinators for the other regions for feedback about the agency and they did not have anything negative to provide. In order to add these services I need your approval and as well as a vote from the RSCs.

They are interested in providing HBCW, Homemaker/Parent Aide, Visitation Facilitation, and Tutoring.

The contact person for FACE is Azonda Andrews her phone number is 317-525-3597 and her email address is facehelping@yahoo.com.