

RMOLTC Community Advisory Committee Meeting:

Date: July 15, 2013

Time: 8-10am

Location: RMOLTC- 2812 E Bijou St. Colorado Springs, CO

Organizations Represented: RMOLTC, Aspen Pointe, The Independence Center, Representative for Consumer, El Paso County Department of Human Services.

Present: Natalie Matthewson-RMOLTC, Kyndra Carpenter-RMOLTC, Stephanie Williamson-RMOLTC, Traci Abeyta-RMOLTC, Nicole Lien-RMOLTC, Cheryl Stine-Aspen Pointe, Jane Bloise-representing parent/consumer, Katey Castilla, RN-The Independence Center, Jo Bell- El Paso County DHS

Absent: Laura Thomas- TRE, Scott Bartlett-Ombudsman with Pike Peak Area Agency on Aging, Pam Satterly- Pikes Peak Hospice

Agenda

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Committee responsibilities**
 - a. Review Definition of CAC responsibilities:
Review Following is the definition of the Community Advisory Committee role as set forth in Volume 8.393.11.B: The community advisory committee shall provide public input and guidance to the SEP agency in the review of service delivery policies and procedures, marketing strategies, resource development, overall SEP agency operations, service quality, client satisfaction, and other related professional problems or issues.
- 3. Analysis of the long term care resources available in SEP District:**
 - a. The discussion quickly moved to Gaps in Resources
- 4. Gaps in LTC Resources within the SEP District-**
 - a. Mental Health Population: El Paso is the only county without a locked unit, modified waivers for dual diagnoses clients, no waiver available for adults with autism
 - b. Medicaid Application Process: Medicaid Navigator
- 5. Strategies to Develop Needed Resources-**
 - a. Specialized Homes for DD and MI clients.
 - b. Develop Medicaid Navigator positions in the community.

c. There was discussion if an RFP @ State level for agency that could assist individuals to navigate through the system is needed; especially applying for benefits-Natalie M mentioned the Colorado Cross Disability Coalition (CCDC) is strong client advocate agency based in Denver. CCDC has volunteers across the state to assist individuals with accessing resources and through the eligibility process with Medicaid, SSI, etc...

7. **Plans to implement strategies-**

- a. Utilizing and promoting the use of 211 (955-0742 for mobile users).
- b. Researching agencies that have Grant writers in the community.
- c. Senior Reach: referral program that trains community to recognize vulnerable seniors (Cheryl Stine will update the CAC in October).

8. **Additional Members:** Discussed ideas for additional members to the RMOLTC CAC- discussed contacts in the community for City Council, attorneys, other legal representatives.

9. **Follow up on Action Items from July 15th Meeting-**

- a. NH Training Report: training discharge planners and social workers.
 - Referral Process
 - Assessment process
 - PASRR (federal requirement) Level I Review
 - PASRR Level II review- DD and MI

10. **Action Items -**

- a. Stephanie Williamson will check the availability of Myron Stratton as possible venue for 12pm-2pm for ongoing training and procedural discussion for DC Planners, DHS, etc.
- b. Natalie Matthewson will coordinate with agencies who will be training on designated topics- Aspen Pointe, The Resource Exchange (TRE), El Paso County DHS, RMOLTC
- c. Traci Abeyta will be updating the Brown Bag Distribution List.

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