Disabilities Advisory Council Minutes



Meeting: Disabilities Advisory Council

 Date:
 5/28/2013

 Start Time:
 2:00 P.M.

 End Time:
 4:00 P.M.

Location: Conference Room 1020C

Multi-Agency State Office Building

195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Type of Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Members:	Present:	Absent:
Peggy Augustine	\boxtimes		Shane Sadler		\boxtimes
Joseph Taggart	\boxtimes		Paul Smith	\boxtimes	
John Westling		\boxtimes	Dustin Erekson		\boxtimes
Deborah Bowman	\boxtimes		Marsha Colegrove	\boxtimes	
Krissie Summerhays	\boxtimes		Kristen Chapman	\boxtimes	
Josip Ambrenac	\boxtimes		Larry Valdez		\boxtimes

Public, stakeholders, and DSPD staff in attendance:

Kris Fawson, Jamie Wuthrich, Nathan Wolfley, and Ryan Carrier

Meeting Open:

Joseph opens the meeting at 2:10 and welcomes everyone.

Motion to accept Minutes:

Deb makes a motion to pass the May 27th meeting minutes. Council unanimously approves.

Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities:

Leah Lobatao introduces herself and her work as the Director of the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. Leah's position is housed in the Office of Rehabilitation. Her group is looking at how to continue to encourage employment while laying the required framework going forward.

Leah introduces the Alternative State Application Program and new regulations in section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act that allows employers to ask up front about disabilities. Leah is also seeking public representation for a monthly committee on addressing these issues.

Needs Assessment Revision Update:

Jamie Wuthrich from DSPD presents an update on the needs assessment revision. The Division is currently in contract with the University of Utah to develop a new validated and reliable tool. Part of this process included sending everyone waiting for services an invitation to provide feedback on a new needs assessment. Over 500 people have responded back. The University of Utah will soon send out a

survey for people to rank individuals based on perceived needs. The U of U is still creating the survey but the release is soon. Responses are expected to return late July or early August.

The Division is constructing a report for the legislature and it will include these processes in the report.

Division Human Rights Council:

Jamie Wuthrich notes the Human Rights Council has waxed and waned in the past. However, the Division has revamped the Council and added completely new membership with a vibrant energy.

The Division will promote the new email at the June Provider conference.

Incident Reporting Newsletter:

Laura Roe from DSPD introduces a new quarterly, *Incidentally*. The newsletter shares information to staff, providers, and external support coordinators on incident trends and best practices. The vision is to include light educational information. The Division hopes it will also help prevent incidents.

The first issue went out in May. The next edition will be released in September.

Provider Guidebook:

Nathan Wolfley from DSPD presents a new provider guidebook concept. The Division had a conversation on the need to have a manual for working through the processes, procedures, and general preferred ways of doing things. The Division considered if a Provider guidebook would make sense to go along with the USTEPS guidebook.

Suggestions: interfacing SAS families, the ISO process and recruitment, waiting list things providers can be helping with/respite program/wait list intervention programs.

The Division would like to get feedback from the members on what to include, what you've heard from colleagues. Send Nathan an email if you would like to include items.

R539-9-1 Support Employment

Nathan Wolfley presents on updates to Supported employment. This rule defines a way to provide services to people waiting for services. Given the energy towards employment, the Division thought it appropriate to bring in the rule for Supported Employment for people waiting for services. Rules are only effective if they are clear. The Division hopes the Council can provide the needed outside perspective on the rule, even if it is just a request for clarification of an undefined area.

The presented paper appears to show large substantive changes. However, the edits are mostly a reorganization of material.

Suggestion: use the most up-to-date language for people with disabilities.

Public Comment: none

New Business:

The Council will not meet in July and will resume on its scheduled time in August.

Chair makes a motion to adjourn