Disabilities Advisory Council Minutes



Disabilities Advisory Council Meeting:

Date: 4/28/2015 2:00 P.M. **Start Time: 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: |
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| 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 | |
| Glen Larson | \boxtimes | | | | |

In attendance:

Amie Richardsd, Claire Montanya, Joyce Dolcourt, Les Carter, Nayda Urget, Penny Weiss, Bob Downing, Lori Packard, and Ryan Carrier

Welcome and introduction:

The Chair opens the meeting at 2:15.

Motion to accept Minutes:

Council approves the March 2015 meeting minutes with provided amendments.

Amie Richards with the Division's new SCE Choice Report

Amie provided the Council with the text to the SCE Choice Report. The new dashboard will replace the previously used "Star Report." The report should help families better understand Support Coordination companies. The dashboard allows visitors to filter on several attributes of the companies such as services in Spanish, Acquired Brain Injury trained staff, and location served.

The Division has met with representatives from support coordination companies and the original focus group working on this project. The tool will be a conversation starter for parents.

Include information on why companies have a certain number of clients. Include language that a person has a choice to change companies.

The Division will place the module online soon.

Les Carter with the Division's Respite "Strengthening Families Program" DVD

When the Division contacts families for Respite, it can be overwhelming. Division first provides families with a "Strengthening Families DVD." However, the DVD and accompanying requirements might be slowing down the process. Some parents are slower to get to services because this DVD requirement is another item to complete.

We want to keep the evidence based DVD, but we have other requirements we could add such as family skill building classes or conferences. Independent living centers as another option.

Paul Smith on the Federal and State Office of Inspector General Audits

The Division concluded interviews with the Federal auditors from IOG. They left the building last week. Informally the group said DSPD is fine. The group had started out a few months ago at the Department of Health and became more interested in DSPD after reviewing data.

The Division then got an email from the State OIG that they are interested in auditing DSPD. It will be a comprehensive audit and we are not sure of the scoop or length.

Paul Smith on the Autism Waiver Transition

The Autism waiver is going away. About a year and a half ago, the Legislature gave funding for the waiver to be permeant, but the federal government told states they are to include autism service in the State Plan. Kids eligible for Medicaid are now open to Autism services. There will be no more enrollments. There is not an issue of money since funding had stayed at Health.

Paul Smith on Direct Care Wages

DSPD has completed the rate increase. The money is now going out to providers on April 1st.

UACS has already discussed this increase. The 520s came out a few days ago reflecting this change.

DSPD will report to the legislature on how the money is spent. DSPD will collect the data from providers, summarize the data, and send it back to the legislature.

Chair makes a motion to adjourn at 3:40

Dental program at USDC - Guy Update on respite at USDC-Curtis Downing Softheart - Peggy Who is moving in and out at USDC. Parent meeting Saturday. Impact from rate increase