Disabilities Advisory Council Minutes



Meeting:Disabilities Advisory CouncilDate:3/28/2017Start Time:2:00 P.M.End Time:4:00 P.M.Location:Conference Room 1020B
Multi-Agency State Office Building
195 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84116Type of Meeting:Regular Monthly Meeting

Members:	Present:	<u>Absent</u> :	<u>Members</u> :	Present:	<u>Absent</u> :
Peggy Augustine	\boxtimes		Shane Sadler	\boxtimes	
Josip Ambernac, Proxy	\boxtimes		Angella Pinna	\boxtimes	
Jon Westling	\boxtimes		Dustin Erekson		\boxtimes
Deborah Bowman	\boxtimes		Krissie Summerhays	\boxtimes	
Kate McConaughy		\boxtimes	Amber Foster	\boxtimes	

Welcome and introduction:

Meeting began at 2:06 pm

Motion to accept minutes:

John motioned to accept minutes with corrections, Peggy seconds.

Meeting Agenda Items:

Legislative Debrief: Angella Pinna, Director of the Division of Services for People with Disabilities

- We did not have any rules or specific policy going through. The direct care staff went through \$2 million ongoing, MTP ongoing, WL \$750K ongoing (will serve 139 people with funds), \$200K increase for fiscal intermediaries, \$500,000 for dental clinic housed at USDC, \$505K of MAN/DCFS is ongoing (\$3.6 million is one-time).
- Systems of care legislation passed. Formalizes systems of care as part of the department and expectation to communicate between divisions. Primarily focused on children.

Request For Additional Services (RFS) Information: Clair Abee, Services Program Administrator

- Committee meets twice per month on requests over \$5,001 and tends to review about 50 per month (about 6 DCFS clients per month). Another committee meets regarding requests under \$5,000. Also receive emergency requests.
- Seeing an increase in requests since January, not sure if it is a true increase or just support coordinators are understanding how to process the requests better
- We had an audit about the RFS process, this is how we responded
 Developed criteria on who receives the funds, looking at needs and changes
- Relying more on support coordinators are explaining as the consumer's needs or how their "story" has changed
- Still trying to develop policy within the system
 - \circ $\$ Camp K has been an issue if the person receives residential

Professional Parent Program, Clair Abee Services Program Administrator

- Host home/professional parent is a step down from residential
 - Can be for adults (host home) or children (professional parent)
- Home typically goes through same process as foster care families
 - Everyone in the same home over 12 years must have a background check
 - Person must have personal space, including access to kitchen and bathrooms. Usually will use mother-in-law apartments
 - o Guardians cannot be in charge on individuals funds
- If host home needs respite, the host home rate can build in some respite support. They
 purchase time back from the Contractor to help provide respite. Depends on the contractor.

Self-Administered Services (SAS) Cap: Angella Pinna, DSPD Director

- The Division is investigating raising the cap on SAS. Right now, the cap is at \$50,000. We have had three rate increases that have impacted SAS, so we are looking at revising the rule to say that if there are increases that the cap will raise proportionally.
 - Has not changed yet, but should be addressed in coming months.
- Krissie: Division should communicate with Support Coordinators each year saying what the new SAS cap is.
- Overtime is part of the issue too, unsure of how to address this in policy

Post High Study: Emily Crandall, Research Consultant

- There is quite a breadth of research regarding disparities that exist in post-high opportunities for students with disabilities compared to those who do not have disabilities, but little to no research about WHY the disparity exists
- We are conducting a study to investigate what parents/guardians think about post-high opportunities for their child and any perceived barriers to reaching those opportunities
 - Want to also better understand local business and educator perception of post-high opportunities
- We are in the process of calling districts and schools securing permission. 17 approvals, 3 denials, 6 waiting for research proposal approval, and others we have contacted three times.
- Will keep the council updated during process. Should be finished around July 2017.

Victim of Crime Act Grant: Jolene Hanna, Policy and Documents Manager

- Grant will hire victims advocate and training/education specialist
- Will develop program to help assist crime victims, specifically will provide services to people on the waiting list or those that are not on the list but qualify for services
- Grant will be two years long, with six month planning/implementation phase. Plan to reapply
- Developmental Disability Council has curriculum to help identify those that have been victimized (Marilyn Hammond)

Discussion

There is an open house at USDC for the new center. Someone needs to tell the council about when to come visit/tour the facility!

Items for Next Month:

Employment Service Codes

Meeting Adjourned at 3:58 pm	Next meeting is Scheduled for April 25, 2017 at 2pm.
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