



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, August 2, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ronk at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Earlene Ronk, Chair; Carolyn Niebler, Ellen Sawyers, Carol Battenberg, Russell Kutz, Ellen Haines and Connie Stengel.

Also Present: Sharon Olson, Dominic Wondolkowski, staff.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Olson certified compliance.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved in a motion made by Battenberg, seconded by Hainesler and passed unanimously.

Approval of 6/7/2016 Minutes

A motion to approve the 6/7/2016 minutes was made by Stengel, seconded by Sawyers and passed unanimously.

Communications

None

Public Comment

None

Discuss: ADRC Report

Dominic Wondolkowski, Supervisor reported Key Outcome Indicators (KOI) for the ADRC for the months of June and July, noting the goal is to meet face-to-face / provide a home visit with consumers within seven days of the referral date unless otherwise requested by the consumer. On average, the goal is met 80% of the time. Training and development of new staff members is part of the reason for not meeting 100% compliance. Volume of calls in June/July was also noted as another factor. There have been no complaints issued by consumers for untimely contacts by ADRC staff.

Wondolkowski also reported of the 201 Farmer Market Vouchers allocated to Jefferson County, only four remain available. Eligibility criteria for a Farmer Market voucher were reviewed. ADRC staff will be present at three Farmer Market locations (Jefferson, Lake Mills and Watertown) in the month of August marketing to the general public.

Wondolkowski also discussed current marketing implemented by the ADRC staff. Posters provided by DHS have been posted in various community locations including libraries, senior centers, medical offices, etc. Churches were suggested by an advisory committee member as another outreach site.

Wondolkowski also provided information on the DHS press release that Family Care and IRIS will be expanded to other counties during 2017 and 2018. Wondolkowski summarized DHS's report to the Joint Finance Committee regarding recommendations to eliminate duplicative functions provided by ADRC governing boards and DHS. In specific, DHS recommended no changes to the statutory requirement for the composition of the resource center governing boards under 46.283(6)(a). DHS also recommended eliminating the requirement of ADRC's to review MCO related grievance and appeals since DHS already does these reviews and ADRC involvement would be duplicative in nature.

Discuss: Dining with Friends Age Friendly Film

The Film highlighted the concepts of dining with friends to learn how this program offered innovative solutions to the adverse effects dementia has on nutrition, hydration and socialization. This program specifically addresses these obstacles and inspired dementia care providers to improve the lives of people with dementia. Along with some feeding techniques, the video offered some solutions for people who may have a soft or pureed diet and how to create pureed food to appear like a regular diet.

Olson discussed working with a couple sewing groups and contacting some of the schools to see if instructor would consider making and donating some of the dining scarfs that were shown in the video as a community service project. The County will be involved in a Dementia Conference in the fall to possibly share the scarves and patterns.

Discuss: GWAAR Update on the Funding Formula

Since the 1970's there have been 5 factors for the creation of the "County Formula" for funding.

1. 60+ pop
2. 75+ pop
3. Non-White 60 + pop
4. Low Income 60 + pop
5. Rural area or urban

This year GWAAR will be using a different formula for the contracts of C1 and C2. Some Counties are going to gain and some will lose as the total of the pie does not grow – it is the same funding amount for the state, so if one county gets a bigger slice, the some other county is going to get a smaller slice.

Data collection and methods may change, but the hardest variable to track is that people do not stay put – they move around. Since 2000, the big census, the number and data is only estimate. The American Community Survey is better able to gather annual data, but the issue is that the American Community survey is limited and not enough information is gathered to support the variables which leave a large margin of error. Poverty is one area the has too large of margin so they are going to throw that out of the formula.

The plan is that GWAAR will be looking at the congregate meal program for the 2017 budget utilizing the new formula. The plan would be to start with base line for all counties and then the formula. An additional cushion to keep from getting hit too hard, would be a cap of 5% drop from previous year. The contract

amount will be discussed at our October ACE Meeting. For 2017, looking at congregate meals and Disease Prevention & Health Promotion - and then the following year, looking at the other 3 programs, that way it does not hit a county so hard.

With all that, there is a strong opinion that they may make an element driven by SAMS data, that will add allocation on the premise that it is also performance driven.

Discuss: Chapter 8 Policy for Nutrition Program

Reviewed some of the updates in the policy that was discussed at a recent meeting. Some of the guidelines for time – temps are to be conducted more often on a shift and thermometers need to be calibrated at the beginning of each shift.

Reviewed the Final Medicaid Manager Care Regulations and the Wisconsin Long-Term Care Coalition Keep our Care at Home on the Sustainability of Family Care, IRIS and Partnership Programs in the 2017 – 2019 budgets.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Kutz, seconded Battenberg and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Olson, Manager
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