

MINUTES
NEW LTC DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE
September 23, 2009
1:00 p.m.
Brown County Human Services

Present: Kim Wolfmeyer, Barbara Larson-Herber, Rick Kane, Shawano County; Mike Reimer, Craig Johnson, Oconto County; Robin Elsner, Glenn Sartorelli, Stacy Stasler Marinette County; Roger Tepe, Joe Krebsbach, Door County; Bill Kelsey, Carol Patterson, Kewaunee County; Jean O'Leary, Brown County; Barb Nelson, Lois Krizan; Dave Larson, Oneida Tribe; Cori McFarlane, Regional Office; Barb Moore, Community Care, Inc; Mary Kennedy, Project Manager

Additions and Modifications to the Agenda

None.

Minutes of September 4, 2009 Meeting

No additions or corrections

Updates from Mary Kennedy

Mary Kennedy attended the meeting when the actuaries presented the 2010 rates. A number of changes have been made in the rate calculation. An adjustment was made to allow about three years for the expanding MCOs to reach the savings the pilots achieved.

Mary also listened in on the meeting when WCHSA representatives met with the MCOs. Issues from WCHSA perspective were IMD usage and discharges, coordinating rates for purchased services between counties and MCOs, referrals for unnecessary guardianships, increased APS referrals, use of expensive guardians, involuntary discharges from MCOs and concerns with consumers losing eligibility due to delayed paperwork for Economic Support. Freddi Bove indicated the State is working on issues such as alternatives to guardianship, less usage of corporate guardianship, limits on guardian fees and polices on payment of guardians. While some MCOs are meeting with counties regarding these issues, the State concluded they needed another focused meeting with WCHSA and the MCOs. There was also discussion of residency issues MCOs are having but managed care did not alter the existing residency statute, rules or process for resolving conflicts.

Updates from Community Care

Community Care has received a Letter of Intent to contract for Calumet, Outagamie and Waupaca Counties. Calumet is intending to enroll all Waiver people on January 1, 2010. Community Care will begin Family Care for people with disabilities in Milwaukee County on November 1, 2009. Since Milwaukee County Department of Aging operates both the MCO and the ADRC for elderly, counseling on Partnership/Family Care/IRIS

benefit for the elderly will be done by the Milwaukee AAA to limit potential conflict of interest.

Updates from Counties and Tribes

Brian Shoup, Brown County's new Human Services Director, will begin employment on October 19, 2009.

Report from Care Management Task Force

The Introduction to Care Management in Family Care training will be held October 27, 2009 at the Rock Gardens from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Barb Moore will do the main presentation in the morning; followed by an afternoon panel discussion with 3-4 people who have done care management in the Waivers and in Family Care. CEHs will be available. Counties will be asked to pre-register their participants.

The Steering Committee agreed to use grant funds to provide lunch at the State rate of \$9:00.

Judy Drier and Kim Wolfmeyer have agreed to participate in the state Managed Care Work Group.

Mary Kennedy is suggesting that the Care Management Task Force become the standing committee for developing the care management system for Family Care. She will contact all counties for members, develop a missions/deliverables for consideration by the Steering Committee and organize a meeting after the October Care Management training.

Discussion of Legal Services Contract

Mary contacted Andy Phillips to solicit a proposal to provide legal services to the NEW Long Term Care District. Legal services would include review of documents, policies, etc and in person assistance to the District Board. The Elected Officials will review the proposal on September 28. The Steering Committee recommended Shawano County Department of Community programs contract with Andy Phillips for a maximum of \$2000 for assistance through the end of 2009.

Discussion of Technical Assistance Contract

Shawano County has entered into a contract with Community Care for a retainer fee of \$4000 plus travel costs through the end of 2009.

Recruitment Strategies and timeline for NEW Planning Director and Fiscal Officer

Although applicants from the first advertising are still being considered, the NEW District will be readvertising for the Planning Director and begin advertising for the Fiscal Officer. Barb Larson-Herber will develop procedures for allowing top candidates to be reviewed/interviewed by the Steering Committee. We will attempt to jazz up the advertisement and clarify the positions would work in Green Bay. Members are encouraged to submit names of potential applicants to Mary or Barb.

Review of Stakeholder materials and process

The draft power point was reviewed and will be modified as suggested. The Stakeholder forums will include consumers, providers, care managers, Board and Advisory Committees. Attendance sheets will be maintained. The number, location, schedule, etc were discussed. Shawano County would like to provide forums in November but most counties preferred to wait until after the first of the year. Counties will coordinate dates with Barb.

Web Site and Domain name

The templates for the web site have been developed and Mary is completing the documents for the templates. As soon as a domain has been selected, the software can be ordered and, once the documents are loaded onto the site, NEW members will be able to review and comment on them online. General discussion regarding a NEW name and domain occurred but the final decision was delayed until the Elected Officials meeting on September 28, 2009.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be October 21, 2009 at 9:00. The Care Management Task Force will meet immediately after the Steering Committee to finalize arrangements for the Training. November 10, 2009 is being reserved for a Steering Committee meeting with John McMahon of Northernbridges. When the specific time of his presentation is known, Mary will notify members.