

ADRC Meeting Minutes

DATE: 6/1/10

PRESENT: Maureen Henry, Judith Holt, Gina Cook, Marilyn Hammond, Jason Stewart, Juliana Preston, Anna Dresel, Michael Styles, Nancy Bentley, Michelle Benson, Scott McBeth, Deb Mair, Louise Tonin, Yvette Woodland, Anna Fannesbeck, Steve Wrigley, Brooke Plumlee; via conference phone: Maughn Guymon, Carrie Schonlaw

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
ADRC Planning	<p>Key elements of the ADRC deliverables: 1. options counseling in place by September 30, 2010. 2. Statewide plan by April 30, 2011. Presentations by 2-1-1 and DWS in the last few meetings, and UDOH in this meeting, have been to establish a shared understanding among steering committee members of what options are available and future plans of agencies to serve as the basis for the ADRC plan. The next presentation will be by the Division of Aging & Adult Services.</p>	<p>Maureen will coordinate with Aging & Adult Services to present at the next meeting.</p>
Dept. of Health Presentation	<p>UDOH's Jason Stewart provided information on the state's Medicaid waiver options. The waiver summaries are available at www.health.utah.gov/LTC. All waivers must be "cost neutral."</p> <p>"New Choices" helps individuals move out of nursing facilities. The waiver requires clients to be assessed by a case manager to determine applicable services. "ICF/MR" is for an intermediate care facility for those with (intellectual disabilities). "Acquired Brain Injury Waiver" helps those with ABI to remain in their homes or community-based settings. The "Physical Disabilities Waiver" provides services to help individuals with physical disability to remain in their homes or community-based settings and is self-directed. This allows clients to act as an employer for a personal attendant. The Aging Waiver provides services to help older adults who need nursing home level of care remain in their homes or community-based setting.</p> <p>All waivers are optional. About 38,000 people in UT may be eligible for services, but many do not use them. All states' waivers are different, and funding for the various waivers is also different. UT Medicaid funds are split approximately evenly between home and community-based services. Of the current waivers, at least three ("New Choices," "Community Supports" and "Aging Waiver") are being renewed this year.</p> <p>Jason provided an analysis of health care reform's impact on Medicaid. Eligibility is significantly expanded. Many of the figures in the report are estimates, but the emphasis is on home and community based care. Health Care Reform and how it will affect Medicare waivers is addressed on the National Conference of State Legislatures and the Kaiser Family Foundation web sites.</p>	<p>Jason will e-mail Maureen "standard level of care" criteria, the definition of "mental disability" and state census reports.</p>
Funding	<p>A presentation was made to the Utah Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee by Michael Hales, Director of the Division of Health Care Financing, on eliminating the asset threshold for Medicaid. The federal government views Money Follows the Person as a source of funding for ADRCs. The 2010 Call for Proposals for MFP is expected at the end of the year. FFP, (Federal Financial Participation) can help to fund ADRC activities that involve providing information and assistance to individuals who are applying for Medicaid. The state-wide plan will look to FFP, MFP, and other grants as possible funding sources.</p>	

Statewide Database	Restructuring has occurred at 2-1-1 / Utah Food Bank and Lorna Koci is no longer with it. Anna Fannesbeck, representing 2-1-1 / Utah Food Bank said the agency is committed to working with the ADRC. Maureen will meet with Jim Pugh, the Executive Director of the Utah Food Bank to follow-up on the 2-1-1 / ADRC contract. 2-1-1 will also address noncompliance with 508 compliance	Maureen will complete a contract with 2-1-1.
508 Compliance of Web Sites	The ADRC web site is near 508 compliance (screen-reader accessibility); although tags need to be added. 2-1-1 is not yet compliant.	Judith will e-mail Brooke webaim.org instructions. ADRC web site will add "tags."
Options Counseling Pilot Sites	The site visits and initial meetings of the I & R and options counseling sub-committees. The options counseling committee will meet bi-weekly through the summer.	Options counseling committee will meet bi-weekly and work on counselors' skill set.
Other	<p>Due to the extra committee meetings through the summer, the July ADRC will be bypassed and will resume regularly in August.</p> <p>Anna Dressel from Salt Lake County Aging services will be attending ADRC meetings until Shauna O'Neil's position is filled in that agency.</p> <p>Steven Wrigley has replaced Chandler Menteer on the ADRC steering committee representing the Division of Services for People with Disabilities.</p> <p>Maureen and Judith will meet with Tracy Freeman from UDOH to discuss obtaining data that will allow assessment of Utah's population in need of long-term care.</p>	<p>There will be no July ADRC Steering Committee meeting.</p> <p>Brooke will set up a meeting with Tracy Freeman, Maureen and Judith.</p>

Submitted by: Brooke Plumlee

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