

ADRC Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2013
Department of Human Services Room 3075 from 2:30-4:00pm

<u>Members Present</u>		<u>Members by Phone</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Joan Gallegos	Michael Styles	Amy Bosworth	Jen Morgan
Trecia Carpenter	Gina Cook	Michelle Benson	Rhonda Hypio
Judith Holt	Sarah Brenna	Nate Palmer	

ACL Part B Grantee Call Review:

1. ADRC Opportunities for sustainability:
 - Medicaid FFP
 - ACA Initiatives
 - Care Transitions
 - VD-HCBS and VD-Respite
2. National Options Counseling Training possibly ready Fall of 2013
3. Current Funding Opportunities
 - MIPPA
 - Creating and Sustaining Dementia-Capable Service Systems for People with Dementia and their Family Caregivers
 - **NWD/ADRC Sustainability Competitive Continuation Funding for October 1, 2013-September 30, 2014**

This opportunity would provide additional funding and an additional 12 months for existing ADRC grantees to carry out their current activities under their Part B - ADRC Sustainability Program Expansion Supplemental funded in FY 2012. The grant proposal is due **July 24th**. Successful applicants will be provided an additional 12 months to continue to seek the following two key sustainability goals as part of this funding opportunity:

1. Strengthening the capacity of their NWD/ADRC system to serve people of all ages, income levels and disabilities by adopting a “No Wrong Door” approach that operationally involves a wide array of community agencies and organizations that can effectively serve all populations; and
2. Develop financially sustainable NWD/ADRC models that include revenue from multiple public programs (including Medicaid, Medicare, the Older Americans Act, the Veterans Health Administration and other programs).

VA/ADRC Project Update

The proposal for the next fiscal year of funding through the VA Office of Rural Health was submitted on May 28. We hope to find out about the funding award in mid-July.

Jen and Bret Hicken met with Bruce Summers, the Chief of Veteran Services, with the Department of Workforce Services. The discussion was primarily to discuss what DWS was doing for Veterans and how the ADRC could collaborate. DWS has a Federal grant in order to work with Veterans in an employment related capacity, assisting them in job search preparation and training.

Each DWS office has a Vet Rep onsite, available to work one on one with Vets. In the near future, Jen will be making additional contact with Vint DeGraw, the Program Specialist for DWS, in order to connect with Vet rep supervisors, to introduce the ADRC and further discuss the referral process to the ADRC and vice versa.

The 5th VA Benefits training was held and SL County Aging Services on June 18th, 20 staff in attendance. The training was primarily an opportunity for Q&A with Christopher Scott, review pre/post-test, and debrief by Christopher Scott and Deborah Crowther's outreach effort at the Brigham City Health Fair. The next VA training will be on August 29th, as part of the VA Healthcare Conference at the U of U.

Jen and Bret were accepted as presenters at the National Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Conference, September 9-12, 2013 in Arlington, VA. Their session is titled, **"A Partnership Model to Connect Rural Veterans with Aging and Disability Resource Centers for Options Counseling."**

Christopher Scott is available to help the ADRC staff with their applications to become VSOs. Two staff members have already applied and one was recently accepted.

Medicaid Eligibility Worker Updates

Josie attended the Bear River AAA staff meeting on June 17th. The staff was happy to learn that they can utilize Josie's expertise when helping clients complete applications for Medicare cost sharing programs. 211 may be interested in having Josie attend one of their staff meetings in the near future to provide training and/or Q&A about Medicaid programs.

ADRC Program Evaluation Updates

Gina Cook and Judith Holt attended the meeting to provide data, feedback, and next steps from the results of the client satisfaction survey. Of the 317 client contacts that were provided, the evaluators were able to survey 102. The recorded interviews were transcribed and analyzed and results were provided to each individual ADRC site.

The process was developed in order to strengthen the Options Counselors ability to perform the O.C. interview with their clients. Most O.C.s are highly skilled in the function of I & R, but Options Counseling is a more in-depth process, which includes 'next steps' and follow-up in their LTSS planning. Judith will be contacting each site about their individual results and will discuss the next step. In-person discussion and staff self-assessment of the process are options that are being discussed as next steps in improvement methods of the O.C. function.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, July 11th** to discuss NWD/ADRC funding opportunity and sustainability direction.