

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVES
FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
ASSESSMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 20, 2006 – 1PM
Rm 198-Main Annex

PRESENT: Rita Landgraf, Co-Chair, Lottie Lee (DMS); Randal Wimberly, DSCYF; Becky Allen, The ARC; Roy Lafontaine, DDDS; Michelle Hess, Commission staff; Alan Keohane, DHSS-HIPAA; and Victor Orija, DSAAPD.
Alan Ackman presented an update.

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1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Minutes and Agenda
3. Commission update
4. Assessment update – Alan Ackman
4. General / next meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 1pm. Agenda and Minutes were approved.

Update:

- (i) Gary Heckect has relocated to New Jersey. He will no longer be a member of the subcommittee.
- (ii) Michelle Hess was introduced as the new Commission staff person. She will coordinate commission agenda etc. Michelle is affiliated with the Centers for Disabilities Studies (CDS), University of Delaware. Subcommittee staff now meets on a monthly basis for information sharing.
- (iii) Next Commission meeting is on September 21, 2006 at Goodwill Industries, Lea Blvd, Wilmington, Delaware. It will commence at 9am.
- (iv) Development of the commission website continues. Some information about subcommittees is currently available.

Assessment update:

Alan presented a handout titled: “Creating a Consumer and Performance Profile.”

Key components include:

1. Assessment Process and Tool Implications.
 - Core set of data on each consumer.
 - Common identifiers
 - Socio-demographics
 - Functioning status indicators – ADLs, IADLs
 - Diagnoses etc

According to Alan, the Master Client Index (MCI) will be a fundamental requirement to link assessment data with other performance data.

2. Potential Targets of Opportunity.

This will include:

Core data initiative-, which will lead to common screening or intake data
Common performance measure initiative - which will create consensus on
Common set of performance measures
Common approaches, Information/Technologies for Promoting Consumer
Self-Management/Self-Determination. – this will include educational
Information, and self-assessment tools for self-direction.

3. Models for Promoting Self-Management Capacities – web based application

4. Data Warehouse Initiative:

- Resumption of data warehouse initiative of prior years
- DMMA will finance most of the development
- Invite multiple divisions to participate and share initiative.
- Design Considerations must embrace the inclusion of multiple data sets and not just Medicaid data.
- Ensure the capacity to analyze outcomes not just utilization.
- Ensure capacity to do longitudinal studies of clients and expenditures.
- Ensure capacity for cross-cutting profiles e.g. individuals with disabilities.
- Create a “Data Mart” for disabilities to support ongoing analysis and use.

5. Common Program Performance Measures:

Measures will include (a) Client Oriented Outcomes
(b) System Outcomes

Client outcomes should embrace consumer characteristics, capacities, conditions, Circumstances, and self-perception.

Also, these outcomes must address Quality Issues and Priorities.

We revisited the list of divisions that have been contacted by Alan. The Kids Division and DVR still need to be visited for input.

As a next step, Alan will meet with divisional representatives who supervise data information. There was a consensus that some of the data we are seeking are currently available. (**Mtg held on August 1, 2006**). This meeting will produce a path forward. In August ---Alan Ackman will meet with data personnel from the divisions.

- Will discuss how to obtain the profile of people with disabilities who are on Medicaid.
- There is a general opinion that data is available despite the absence of a data warehouse.
- Alan Ackman will produce a structured query language (SQL) to enable us access current data. SQL will be presented soon.

NEXT Meeting: September 12, 2006, 1 to 3pm. Conference Room 198. Herman Holloway Campus, New Castle, DE.

