Family Support Council Meeting
Feb 1-2
Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center
Pierre, SD
Meeting Minutes

Members present: Sarah Carlson, Valerie Ahrendt, Pat Norin, Tim Reinbold, Amber Finnesand, Diane Baumiller, Kristi Hale, Christine (Tina) Kenser, Rhiannon Town, Bridget Leiseth, Jennifer Carda

Members absent: Lindsey Madsen, Elizabeth Brown, Darci Bible

DHS Staff: Darryl Milner, Jaze Sollars

Opening Round and Introductions:

Jen Carda called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM CST. The meeting started off with a welcome and introductions of each council member, their role on the council, what area of the state they lived in, and what brings them to the council. Darryl discussed how to fill out the mileage forms.

Approval of minutes:

Pat motions to approve minutes from the November/December meeting with the edit for the name misspelling, Sarah seconds the motion.

Review/Discuss changes to Council By-Laws:

Jen discussed the council by laws by going through each section. This discussion revolved around feedback that was received on the changes to the by laws. The council is appointed by the office of the Governor of South Dakota and is confined to follow the duties as defined in the executive order. The council discussed the composition and terms of the council and possible connections to fill the current vacancy. Discussed how members cannot be removed for a lack of absenteeism. Pat makes a motion to table the changes to the by laws to the next meeting. Diane seconds the motion, all in favor.

Family Support Council Sub-Workgroup Update:

Tina discussed the council's participant in disability awareness day on Feb 26th from 8-1pm. They discussed that they would like to pass out brochures and Lifespan folders. The council would also like to present Family Support 360 to the legislatures and report on the cost effectiveness of family support vs CHOICES vs institutional settings.

Division of Developmental Disabilities Update:

Darryl provided a quick update on the legislative sessions and provided an update on the Keeping Families Connected quality action plan progress, including the feedback that we received from DSS.

Public Input

Jen received several comments on the bylaws from former Family Support Council members. That feedback was shared with the council during the review of the bylaws.

Diane Baumiller motioned to end the meeting and Amber Finnesand provided a second. The members decided to recess for the evening at 9:20 PM CST.

Saturday February 2, 2019

Jen called the meeting to order 8:42AM CST. Sarah Carlson, Valerie Ahrendt, Pat Norin, Tim Reinbold, Amber Finnesand, Diane Baumiller, Kristi Hale, Tina Kenser, Rhiannon Town, Bridget Leiseth, and Jennifer Carda were present.

Division of Developmental Disabilities Update:

Darryl gives background on DSS authority of the Medicaid waiver programs and the SURS team discusses the DSS audit findings. The council asked the Division to send information on LifeCourse core values and the three buckets to the council prior to the next meeting and asked for the minutes from the Community of Practice meetings to be sent out to council members. They suggested outreaching to families directly possibly through a letter or through a PowerPoint on the website, explaining how the system changes are good for families. They discussed the need for flexibility within the waiver while maintaining compliance with federal and state requirements. The program will not be cookie cutter as each family is different. The family support council members suggested attending community listening sessions to provide testimony on the impact of LifeCourse. Darryl expressed his appreciation for the input that the council provides.

Darryl briefed the council on the incontinence supplies federal mandate that Medicaid State Plan has to cover incontinence supplies. The state is considering that Medicaid will cover \$1,345 through the State Plan. This new process will include the requirement of a physician's order for all incontinence supplies. Council members asked for a list of DME providers of incontinence supplies in the state. They also shared the issues with medical brand diapers that they have experienced, so it was suggested that the state consider that if it chooses to go to a single vendor model. Darryl discussed how this process will look differently for families and what they are currently doing so the State plans to give family ample time to get a physician's order so that they do risk losing their supplies.

Schedule 2019 Meeting Dates

Rhiannon motions for the next meeting dates April 5th and 6th to be in Deadwood with a conference line available, Pat seconds the motion. Motion passed

Pat motions for the June 28th and 29th meeting to be in Aberdeen with a conference line available, Bridget seconds the motion. Motion passed

Rhiannon motions for the September 6th and 7th meeting to be in Sioux falls with a conference line available, Amber seconds the motion. Motion passed with all in favor

Pat motions for the December 6th and 7th in Pierre with a conference line available, Valerie seconds the motion. Motion passed all in favor

The council suggested having a presentation on LifeCourse and the three buckets at the next council meeting as well as the possibility of having a presentation from Black Hills Works on any innovative technology they are using.

Adjournment:

Pat motions to adjourn the meeting, Tim provided a second. All approved at 12:26PM CST.

Respectfully submitted,



Rhiannon Town Secretary