



Planning & Network Advisory Committee (PNAC)
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 8th, 2008 at 12:00 pm
1700 South Lamar, Large Training Room

Members Present: JoAn Baird, William Brown, Cecile DeWitt, Cathy Ehigie, Drew Glass, Patrick Herndon, Henry McMahon, Liz Shelby, Mary Pat Smith, Angie Wagner and Ludivina Zambrano.

Staff Present: Marietta Noel, Michelle Putman, Rosa Hernandez, Will Leon, Arturo Hernandez, Sally Spill and Charles Harrison.

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm.

2. Introductions

Members introduced themselves.

3. Announcements

April 29th at 5:30, Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center (ATCMHMR) will hold a Community Forum on Local Planning and Network Development.

4. Approval of the Minutes from January 10th, 2008.

A motion was made to approve the minutes with modifications to the section on training which stated Cultural Confidence. This was changed to state Cultural Competence. The motion was seconded and approved.

5. New business

A. Local Planning and Network Development (LPND) Training and Education

Ms. Noel discussed the change in training at the Department of State Health Services' (DSHS) website and asked for feedback. Ms. Noel indicated that ATCMHMR would be customizing the DSHS training to better accommodate and reflect our local community. Members asked that when ATCMHMR creates the new presentation that the acronyms be spelled out. Ms. Noel talked about the

expectations of the PNAC regarding the LPND. She also discussed the LPND timeline and distributed a handout. Ms. Noel will bring the Local Services Area Plan template provided by DSHS to the next meeting. Several PNAC members had comments or questions, as noted below:

Patrick Herndon

- It will be difficult to find private mental health providers willing to operate at previously-defined capacity levels
- What is the new “outcome standard” regarding effectiveness of mental health services being delivered under the new system? How is productivity defined? Is it defined in monetary terms or is it client-based?

JoAn Baird

- Public sector agencies will have more resources at its disposal than private sector agencies.

Henry McMahon

- Suggested that Marietta Noel communicate to State of Texas that services not be bundled in Travis County. (Ms. Noel says it might be better if the recommendation comes from PNAC Committee members and inquired if that was a recommendation that the PNAC wants the Board to make to the state agency? If so, there are issues to be discussed.

B. ATCMHMR Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Discussion

Mr. Harrison distributed the Local Plan and Budget Development calendar. Members were asked for input on the budget and indicated that it will be sent to the Executive Management Team for their review and response. Mr. Harrison recorded all ideas and comments from the PNAC.

C. Evidence based interventions: Efficacy of inventions

This update will be given next month, due to time constraints.

D. Task Force Report on Family Involvement Update

Mr. Blumberg provided a handout which contained the current ATCMHMR family involvement initiatives which will be attached to the recommendation that will go to the ATCMHMR Planning & Operations Committee. It was stated that all three division directors were in support of the recommendations made by the task force which was assigned to support the PNAC recommendation.

6. Citizen' Comments

Angie Wagner (read by Liz Shelby)

Can we add to each quarterly training session a printed update of what the Center is currently working on and has in progress so we aren't suggesting or discussing things already in progress? If printed, no training time is wasted. Members can read information outside of the meeting and bring questions to the following PNAC meeting. This would allow us to forethink, and not rethink.

7. May Meeting Agenda

- Evidence-based interventions; Efficacy of interventions.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Liz Shelby, Chair

Michelle Putman, Recording Secretary