

# **INTEGRATED SUPPORT & RECOVERY SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL**

September, 14 2015

HHS Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, RM 2000

4:00 PM

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Monica Kruse, Co-Chair, Cindy Delphey, Mary Dahlby, Regina Siegel, Pam Radtke, Celia Fluekiger, Wade Welper, Va Thao, Julie Nuttleman, and Brenda White.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Diane Hietpas, Gary Kleinertz, Keyla Rosa, Karen Sanness,

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Strittmater, Emily Mcgonigle, Nicki Kammel-B-3 Parenting Place, and Lynn Marcou

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Monica Kruse called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. once a quorum was reached.

## **APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Julie Nuttleman/Pam Radtke to approve the minutes of 06/08/2015. **Motion carried unanimously**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **OFFICIAL BUSINESS –**

### **Birth to 3 overview and role of the Advisory Council-The Parenting Place/Wade Welper**

Wade Welper reported that the contract for B-3 is up for renewal. The contract was sent out for Service Coordination (Parenting Place) and Early Intervention Services (Coulee Children's Center which has the Physical, speech, occupational Therapists, and special education teachers). They work together along with the Service coordinators to give personalized services to the B-3 teacher in La Crosse County. He also explained why B-3 needs is brought up through the Advisory Council to give the people a voice and to know what is going and what the agency does, and who the kids are that are being seen. They get referrals from the county and also the Parenting Place.

Wade presented a Video about B-3.

Nicki Kammel explained the Parenting Place Early Intervention Program.

La Crosse County has an estimated 110 kids in the program

Referrals can be made by anyone. When referrals are received, the parents are contacted.

1. Mini screening done over the phone.
2. Setup meeting with the family for an evaluation.
3. Schedule evaluation with service coordinator and two people from the team for a total of three people on the team.
4. Evaluate where family desires.
5. If child is eligible the family can decide to seek services.
6. Determine if there is 25% developmental delay.

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There is a very long list of diagnosis that will qualify a child automatically and will not need to determine the 25% delay. Some examples below are the qualifications:

- Hearing and visual impairment
- Autism
- Seizures
- Down syndrome
- Baby less than 2.8 lbs.

If parents decide to receive the services, goals are written. The plan is updated every three months. If child is approaching three years old, will setup with school district or services they will be using. Children who are subjected to abuse or neglect are automatically referred to B-3. Need biological parents permissions to be able to proceed and the foster parents are not able to make the decision. Benefits of visiting families home as opposed to the child interacting in an unknown environment. The workers have the ability to watch the child interact with siblings, see the family dynamics, hear what's going on with the family when in the home.

### **CLTSW (Children's Long Term Support Waiver) regionalization-Wade Welper**

Matt had started a process 1 ½ years ago to regionalize, Monroe, Jackson County, and La Crosse. Not going to regionalize for the waiver at this time. State is going to regroup and come back in a year or two to look at how it may look.

Matt explained that what the state wants is to encourage multiple counties to work together with the children's labor services. They have to fill out an application to the federal government to continue the Children's waiver program from 2017 forward. Application would need to be written next year. They want to take thoughts and ideas for the future plans of Wisconsin by inviting us to the table while they're writing out the application. Current secretary wants something bigger than just 3 counties. Monica asked what happened to the funding that was issued for this project. Matt explained that this was a couple extra services that the state wanted the county to do and wasn't part of the regular project.

### **Family Support Program-Celia Fluekiger**

Last meeting each member had received a copy of this program explaining what it is and what it provides. Celia briefly explained that the program receives a pool of money which comes to the agency from the Department of Health Services to help serve families who have members that have special needs to help keep their children at home. Intended for families that have little bit lower needs which amount to \$3000.00 or less per year which is the maximum for the support program. This program could also be a supplement to the Waiver Program.

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Celia presented a brief summary of what the program has provided.

- Client Services is \$94,000 each year.
- Spent \$21,375.00.
- Have expenses that have not come in as of yet from the summer. Which may be estimated for total cost of \$60,000?
- Celia says we are on track.
- Remainder of the money is spent on other Waiver costs.
- An issue for the upcoming year is the uncertainty of outcome of the Family Support Program. Plans may be to combine with the Cop Program. Goal is to make both programs easier to manage, but have not received confirmation if this will be starting in 2016.
- Number of children served through this program this year is 53. May be higher because the expenses from the summer have not come in yet.
- There are 75 that have been approved for budget

### **Update on Coordinated Services Team/Emily Mcgonigle**

Emily explained about the core values of CST. There are currently 23 active members and 12 additional teams that are up and running, but not officially enrolled because they don't have a CANS (Child Adolescence Needs and Strengths) in place. It's a lengthy assessment and provides a picture of where the child is at, where their deficits, and strengths are, and who their supports are. CST is looking to use this as a tool to help build the platform of where to go from this. As the process moves forward, it will determine on how the child is progressing and a better understanding on how their team is progressing. The assessment rates the formal and informal performance of the team. Philosophy is considered the biggest piece of CST and it's about bringing everyone together and creating a space where everyone can feel safe and to feel empowered to take those next steps.

### **SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

1. Discuss meeting frequency.
2. Summary of what is spent in each program and where.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, motion by Celia Fluekiger to adjourn at 5:10 PM

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at La Crosse County Human Services Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor RM 2000.

The above minutes may be approved, amended, or corrected at the next committee meeting.

Lynn Marcou, Recorder