

ACCR Education Committee Meeting

October 20, 2009

Co-Chairs: Sandy Beahm and Dennis Hughes

Note taker: Nancy Hornicek

Attendees: Dennis Hughes, Debbie Miller, Mike Gruber, William Boyce, Paul Wittman, Vicki Boynes, Candice Henry, Sandy Beahm, Debbie Duch, Vanessa Mayers, and Nancy Hornicek

Announcements:

1. The minutes from the September 15th ACCR Meeting were approved. The budget for the fiscal year has been activated and new proposals are to be started and developed the new fiscal year.

2. MHAAC (Mental Health America Allegheny) is hosting a budgeting seminar for two sessions on Nov. 5th from 12:00pm-1:30pm and another from 2:00pm-3:30pm at 1945 5th Ave. in the MHAAC Conference Room on the 3rd Floor . For more information on these financial wellness programs anybody can contact Sarah Rosso at 412-391-3820 ext. 25 or e-mail her at srosso@mhaac.net.

Agenda Item 1. Review of ACCR Steering Committee goals. Planning for fiscal year.

Committee Goal Being Addressed: The members want to focus on the development of project which will support the overall goals of ACCR. We are also looking for opportunities to collaborate with other committees in the completion of this mission.

Discussion: The Mission of The ACCR Committee was discussed. The Committee is searching for ways to address their needs and to focus on how they can meet their objectives by planning activities and actions for setting standards with creative materials for people who are involved in recovery programs. These materials such as booklets and information on recovery methods will meet certain guidelines for development in outreach and growth about self-efficacy and health and body wellness in order to promote recovery. There was a lengthy discussion of Objective 2.2: ACCR will have developed and distributed a report on respectful communication. The Education Committee feels that it can work with other committees and groups to develop an impactful report on respectful communication.

Agenda Item 2. Hope and Change Survey.

Discussion. The survey draft was completed and sent to ACCR members to critique. The committee also used today's meeting to make additional improvements in the tool. Suggested adjustments will be made over the next month with the goal of having the survey added to the ACCR web site in December of 2009.

Agenda Item 3. Meaningful Activities Dialogue. The Education Committees' Social Marketing Task Force conducted a dialogue at the C.O.G. Building in Homestead on September 17th. The session was facilitated by Lynn Alms of the Education Committee. The event was a resounding success. We have received feedback which indicates that some Service Units are already implementing some of the ideas discussed.

Next Meeting: Date and Time: November 17, 2009 from 12:30pm-2:00pm

Location: Community Care Behavioral Health (CCBH)

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