

Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery

Quality Improvement Committee

Minutes

Date: 8/08/08

Co-Chair(s): Wes Sowers and Meg Park

Note taker: Marilyn Micknowski

Attendees: Harold Hartger, Sarah Goldstein, Meg Park, Wes Sowers, Wendy Drapcho and Marilyn Micknowski, Bridget McNamee.

Agenda Item 1: Principles Brochure

Committee Goal Being Addressed: Distribute principles in easy to read format for the widest possible audience.

Discussion: Attempt will be made to make changes to brochure in order to present final product to printer by August 27. If necessary a meeting of a work group will be called.

Action Item	Person Responsible	Target Date
E-mail for edits to be returned to Meg by 8/ 20	Whole committee	8/27/08
OBH Providers meeting distribution to provider staff	Steve	September 12
Distribution to service users in Allegheny County	TBD	October 2008

Agenda Item: Budget for Fiscal year 2008-2009

Committee Goal Being Addressed: Present request to Steering Committee

Discussion: Meg distributed handout of budget worksheet. Additional money is being requested for the printing of the brochures as well as money for people who receive services to do focus groups with their peer on the upcoming Universal Plan. Wes and Meg will present recommendations from today's committee to the Steering Committee on August 29. The total budget request for QI for FY 2008-2009 is \$9,516.

Action Item	Person Responsible	Target Date
Budget Request to Steering Committee for August 29	Meg and Wes	August 29

Agenda Item: Universal Service Plan Development

Committee Goal Being Addressed: Decide on "Domains" for Universal Plans.

Discussion:

- Meg and Wes reported on the joint meeting with people from the DHS System of Care Initiative (SOCI). They are largely following the Youth and Adolescent (and Children's) Needs and Strengths Assessment models.

- Continue defining categories using YANSA and CANSA assessment tools as guides. Possible fields:
 1. Safety (Risk prevention)
 2. Functioning (meaningful roles to include education/vocation)
 3. Supports & Stress – recovery environment
 4. Health & Wellness
 5. Recovery or Resilience & Recovery
- Much discussion centered on how to incorporate the concepts of a fulfilling life and other areas that are not concrete or measureable. Issues of character development, experiencing the human condition and the capacity for compassion as ways to replace the negative in people’s lives with positive experience. The Ohio Recovery Management Plans were brought up with their emphasis on 1) Hope and Empowerment, 2) Meaningful roles, and 3) Self-responsibility. The work of Boston University was also discussed as a possible place to go to for resource to use to think about how to incorporate the ideas into comprehensive and universal plans.
- The use of focus groups for this defining of these principles.

Action Item	Person Responsible	Target Date
Define categories , possibly with a focus group	Committee	Ongoing
Look at samples of e-versions that are in use	Steve	Sept. 5
Work on domains more and keep simple but comprehensive	Committee	Next mtg.

Task for next mtg.: View a few formats for recovery principles (Universal Service Plan Developments), layouts, etc.

Next meeting: Friday, **September 5, 2008** @ CCBH offices, One Chatham Center, 3rd floor, 12 NOON
Meeting room # TBA