

## ACCR Child and Family Committee

### Meeting Summary

January 11, 2005

**Present:** Nancy Reed, Fred Fowler, Laura Barrett, Victoria Livingstone, Sherry Shaffer, Shari Morris, Deb Freeman, Tammy Marsico, Diane Hartman, Curtis Upsher, Wes Sowers

The meeting began with introductions, and a review of the meeting summary from December 1. The summary was approved as written.

The major order of business was the presentation and review of the Resiliency/Recovery crosswalk prepared by Deb, Sherry, Tammy and Wes. Reception for the document was very positive overall. Several concerns were expressed and lead to some discussion around terminology, organization, and format. Sherry agreed to take these comments and weave them into a revised version which would be distributed and reviewed by the entire committee. At our next meeting, we will consider how the document might be used and what additional contextual material ought to be added (introduction, references, etc.).

The concurrent development of definitions for recovery and resiliency as well as practices supportive of these concepts by SAMHSA was noted by several members and Wes reported briefly on a conference sponsored by SAMHSA that he attended in mid Dec. that included some information related to this work. We noted the momentum of this movement and agreed to monitor and report developments in months ahead.

Jan was not present for this meeting and so no information was available related to the development of a brief recovery training for committee members. We will try to make arrangements for a time via email.

Diane reported that there had been no progress in making arrangements for a family event either, but she intends to contact Jan, Aurelia, Nancy and Laura to begin this process. Two other family members had been expected for today's meeting, and it is hoped that they will be able to attend future meetings. We reiterated the need to increase family involvement before proceeding too far with other tasks.

Wes noted that the committee was achieving some stability in its membership and so it is time to start thinking about more permanent leadership. He asked committee members to start thinking about taking on such a role and noted that traditionally the ACCR has appointed consumer-professional co-chairs.

The next meeting was tentatively set for Tuesday, February 8, 2005. It would again be held at MHA at **12:30 PM**.