

**ACCR Child and Family Committee  
Meeting Summary  
September 13, 2005**

**Present:** Fred Fowler, Tammy Marsico, Sherry Shaffer, Wes Sowers, Victoria Livingstone, Mike Reber

We had a small group today due to some last minute call offs, but we were productive as always. The summary from the last meeting was approved by consensus.

We spent a brief period at the beginning of the meeting reviewing the final revision of the “comparing Resiliency and Recovery: A Side by Side Guide” document. Members were satisfied with the product and some final touches will be applied, such as addition of the references, and it can then be distributed.

We spent the remainder of our time discussing the revision of the “Recovery Guidelines” developed by the Coalition for adults. Fred did not have an opportunity to work on a revision of the introductory section and we did not generate a lot of discussion via email prior to the meeting. A couple of issues related to the structure and content of the guidelines were identified. We noted that the system is not friendly to families that are distressed unless they have an identified patient. When we began our work, it was our intent to address issues related to families who wished to get into recovery. We agreed that this fell somewhere outside the realm of treatment. It was suggested that a fourth category for the guidelines be considered, namely prevention. We noted that it may be a good idea to add this to the adult version at some time as well.

We also discussed the relevance of the resiliency-recovery interface to transition age service users, and how this could be a potentially unifying force between systems that have been sharply divided in the past. We agreed that we should make every effort to weave ideas related to transitions into the document as comprehensively as possible. We thought it would also be helpful to include some comments related to transition in the introduction. We can decide at a later time whether we think that further elaboration is needed in this regard.

We ended by developing a plan for the revision, dividing up the work. The following assignments were made:

Introduction- Fred and Wes  
Org. Philosophy and Strat. Planning -- Tammy  
Stigma -Mike  
Training – Victoria  
CQI – Victoria

Outcomes – Sherry  
Empowerment – Mike  
Prevention Outline - Wes

We agreed to request that other committee members each take a section as well, and Wes will solicit volunteers for this. We intend to have draft revisions ready for the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm at the MHA.