

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY  
AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** October 11, 2010

**TIME:** 3:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

**Members Present:** Ginger Beuk, Janice Dibble, Diane Egan, Debra Hogue, Ann Jungwirth, Donna Lohry, Mike Norton, Deb Pahl, Rob Paterson, Tom Widener, and Jean Wollerman

**Members Excused:** Jef Hall

**Staff Present:** Mary Krueger, Ron Duerkop, Mark Weisensel and Dorothy De Grace

**1. Introductions:**

Introductions were made of each person present.

**2. History and Purpose of ADRC:**

Mary said ADRC's have been in existence for several years. The purpose of an ADRC is to bring resources together in one place to make it easier for individuals to get information to make decisions about the services and supports they might need. Mary said about 85% of the people statewide who come to the ADRC are not eligible for long-term care through Family Care. Mary asked the committee to inform her if they hear of suggestions or concerns about the ADRC.

**3. Overview of ADRC Operations:**

Mary said we receive several different funding sources for the various services offered under the ADRC umbrella. Ron Duerkop gave an overview of Adult Protective Services (APS) that are provided by the ADRC. He said APS includes petitioning the circuit court through the Assistant Corporation Counsel for services such as guardianship and protective placement. The target group for these services is adults who are believed to be mentally incompetent to provide for their own care due to a mental, physical or developmental impairment as explained in Chapters 54 and 55 of the Wisconsin Statutes. We also provide investigations and interventions for adults at risk (aged 18-59) and elder adults at risk (aged 60 or over) for any type of abuse or neglect or financial exploitation as explained in Chapter 46.9 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Ron Duerkop said the ADRC receives a variety of calls and requests that are responded to by an on-call specialist who determines the reason for the call and handles the request. Our role is to help individuals understand their options by providing information about the different programs and services that are available. It may include giving the caller information about short-term care management; counseling people regarding various options; or enrolling individuals into long-term care programs. Sometimes a worker goes to an individual's home to do an assessment. A functional screen is completed to determine if the person meets one of the target groups for long-term support service. If a person is found eligible, we assist him in completing the paperwork to get enrolled in a long-term care program, such as Lakeland Family Care or IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct).

Ron explained that the Lakeland Care District is a quasi-governmental agency for Manitowoc, Fond du Lac and Winnebago counties. It was formed to provide Family Care benefits to eligible individuals in the three counties. Mary Krueger explained that Winnebago County is no longer responsible to provide long-term care for the elderly or adults with disabilities. The responsibility is now with Lakeland Family Care District. Ron said the state certified the district and provides them with a capitated rate per member per month.

Mark Weisensel explained that the ADRC provides services to the elderly using Older Americans Act and Wisconsin Elder Act dollars. Some of the services offered are those at senior centers, YMCA's, prevention services, and Health Department services. Mark coordinates transportation services for the elderly and disabled through Valley Transit and Oshkosh Transit. He also coordinates the nutrition program through Advocap, Oshkosh Family, and Valley VNA. Mark said we have two elderly benefit specialists on staff that work with consumers aged 60 and over, specifically with public benefit programs. Mary Krueger said we have two disability benefit specialists who assist and advocate for individuals aged 18 to 60.

**4. Role and Responsibilities of ADRC Committee:**

Mary said the guidelines for an ADRC Committee dictated that we needed to have 25% of the committee as consumers or guardians of people in a target group. Of the target groups, at least 55% must represent the elderly; 30% developmental disabilities; and 15% physical disabilities. We have been able to meet those requirements. Mary said the ADRC Committee is advisory to the Human Services Board, and we will be sharing information with them. We will focus more on this agenda item at the next meeting.

**5. Identify Committee Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson:**

This item will be tabled until the next meeting.

**6. Set Dates, Times, Agendas for Future Meetings:**

This will be discussed and acted on at the next meeting.

**7. Introduction of ADRC Facility – Upcoming Survey:**

Mary Krueger said the state will be doing a survey of the physical plant of the ADRC's around the state. She referred to a sample checklist of the things each county was to look at in planning the ADRC. A quality specialist will be attending a future ADRC meeting to discuss the importance of the physical location of the ADRC. They will be doing a survey with some members of the committee and sharing the results with us.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m. The next meeting of the ADRC Committee will be held at 3:30 p.m., Monday, November 8, 2010 in Room 33 of the Oshkosh Human Services Building.

Respectfully submitted:  
Dorothy De Grace, Recorder