

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

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 8, 2015

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

Members Present: Ginger Beuk, Debra Hogue, Eileen Leinweber, Donna Lohry, Mike Norton, Rob Paterson, Harold Singstock and Claire Steger

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

Others Present: Lori Duclon, Public Health Department

Donna Lohry called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. Introductions:

Introductions were made.

2. Public Comments:

Lori Duclon said Public Health has a video regarding Falls Prevention, which she plans to bring to the next meeting.

3. Approve Minutes of the May 11, 2015 ADRC Meetings:

Mike Norton moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Harold Singstock and carried.

4. A Day in the Life of an ADRC Specialist:

Alisa Kleisner shared her experience in helping a family that had some communication barriers, and they needed to use sign language resources. The husband was born deaf and has other physical limitations; the wife is also deaf. Alisa gave him information on some resources, but it was difficult for him to communicate to get his needs met. Alisa contacted the office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing for an advocate to help with the husband's communication barriers, and they helped get a certified deaf interpreter. Alisa collaborated with the advocate and the interpreter to find out his additional needs and discuss Family Care and other options. He now met the functional screen, and Alisa will be giving him enrollment counseling for Family Care.

5. 2015 – 2017 Proposed State Budget Update:

- a. Senior Care: There were no changes to Senior Care.
- b. ADRC: These are staying the same. Governing boards will stay the same for now, but the state Department of Health Services will be doing several studies: 1) study the integration of Income Maintenance and ADRC's; 2) assess the roles and responsibilities of various committees and boards for duplication; 3) evaluate the functional screen to see that it's being completed the same across the state; 4) look at options or enrollment counseling to see how they are being handled.

- c. IRIS: There is no mention of IRIS in the new budget proposal, but there is mention regarding self-directed supports within Family Care. We are waiting for the actual language.
- d. Family Care: They are looking at bringing in long-term care and acute care together as integrated health agencies (IHA). There would be at least five regions in the state, with at least two IHA's in each region offering self-directed services. They are looking at following an open enrollment period similar to Medicare Part D. The current Family Care organizations or the Care Districts could remain if they meet the requirements.

6. Emergency Protective Placement Facility Update:

Ron Duerkop distributed copies of Winnebago County's Emergency Protective Placement (EPP) network protocol, which is in place in response to a Supreme Court Decision of a case in Fond du Lac County in 2012 saying a person that has a dementia cannot be treated in a psychiatric unit of any facility or hospital. They need to be cared for according to Chapter 55, which is the Adult Protective Service (APS) statute. Every county must have a designated EPP facility. Ron said we communicated with the state's APS section regarding the barriers for an EPP to be done to an assisted living facility (Community Base Residential Facility (CBRF) or adult family home (AFH) or to a nursing home. He had a series of meetings between representatives from the Department of Quality Assurance, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities to overcome a few of the barriers. A person under EPP will not need a decision-maker during the 72-hour EPP order, but the court appoints a temporary guardian who becomes the decision-maker going forward. Funding is an issue for people going to an assisted living facility, because Medical Assistance eligibility and enrollment counseling aren't determined overnight. It was decided that our elder abuse funds will be used during the gap. Ron said we currently don't have a designated EPP facility, but we have a network of seven providers who agreed to be available to determine if they can do an EPP when needed.

7. Reports:

- a. ADRC Manager Report – Mary Krueger reported on the following: 1) the state contracted with UWO for dementia training for different populations, such as for family members and friends. The trainings are on-line and cost \$25, but we can offer vouchers or other funds to them; 2) Our staff recently went through some training regarding the eligibility process for medical assistance; 3) Wisconsin Guardianship Support Center recently trained some staff regarding powers of attorney; 4) there are continued planning efforts with the Neighbor Care project with Brown, Outagamie and Winnebago county ADRC's; and 5) as part of the state initiative to try and make changes in how dementia care is provided across the state, training is being offered and there is some one-time-only funding in the Governor's budget for some dementia specialists. Starting in July 2016 there will be funding available for 12 dementia care specialists. There are some efforts in our community to see what more we can do regarding dementia care, such as Memory Cafes.
- b. Committee Member Updates – Ginger Beuk said the grand opening of the Inclusive Park was a huge success. There were an estimated 1500 in people attendance.

Rob Paterson reported that Lakeland Care District is having a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 17 at 4:00 p.m. following their business meeting which starts at 3:30 p.m.

c. Complaints/Grievances – There were none to report.

8. **“Community Beat”**: There was none to report.

9. **Next Meeting: July 13, 2015:**

With no further business, Ginger Beuk moved for adjournment; seconded by Rob Paterson and carried at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting of the ADRC Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, July 13, 2015 at the Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33.

Respectfully submitted: Dorothy De Grace, Recorder