

Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization

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Meeting of the Sedgwick County Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board Tuesday October 8, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
In-Person and Zoom option
SCDDO, 615 N. Main, Wichita, KS 67203

Al Besser, Jr. Kara Sumner Sherry Arbuckle Shelley Herrington Vanessa Lohf Dave Jones Tim Kaufman Rebecca Shell Jeannette Livingston Peggy O'Donnell Cassandra Sines Deidre Manis Grace Kneil Joanne Kilgore

Welcome and Introductions

Grace called meeting to order.

Review Minutes of Previous Meeting

Dave Jones moved to approved the minutes from meetings dated 08/09/2022. Al Besser, Jr seconded. Minutes were approved.

2023 Meeting Schedule

The schedule for 2023 meetings was presented. Attendance is still an issue so Jeannette asked if there were any barriers with the current times. Joanne commented that as a business person getting away at any time will be an issue no matter the date or time. Vanessa stated the virtual option is a great option.

Attendance is taken and after a certain number of absenses, according to the by-laws, the commissioner who appointed you will be made aware. If you have informed us of your absence it will not be counted against you as an absence.

If one of the commissioners up for re-election aren't re-elected then you will still have a seat on the board until either the new comminssioner re-appoints you or appoints someone else in your place.

Grace asked that everyone try to make it as much as possible because if they don't have a quorum it makes it hard to pass things. Jeannette mentioned that there are some upcoming affilates in process and it's important that there is a quorum when these are brought to the meeting.

QAC 3rd quarter 2022

There were 38 indivduals with targeted case management (TCM) who had a full review. This means they were done at the TCM organization level with a monitoring team representative from their organization and a volunteer.

Rights, Choice and Emergency sections were given high scores while a personal care service (PCS) agency had a deficiency regarding not having a support plan which has already been corrected.

Two organizations scored low in the same section for two consecutive quarters and have been placed on intervention plans. We are working with them to look at their process to come up with a correction plan.

SCDDO Managers Reports

Director's Report – Tim Kaufman, Deputy County Manager and Interim SCDDO Director

The State contract has been received and there is a slight increase in resources available. Staff will be identifing all process effeciences that we can implement and identifing any gaps in the system so we can plan on how to use the additional resources.

In the 2022/2023 budgets the county made a significant commitment to compensation for salary increases to be competitive. Due to this increase it has created an imbalance for the 2024 budget and all departments have been asked to identify opportuinites to offset this increase. May be potential to identify some position efficiencies but doesn't see it causing layoffs. The CDDO positions are funded by the state.

Staff is working with HR to make sure all positions are properly classified to assist with recruitment and retention.

Legislative agenda for county commission is in draft format and will be adopted sometime before Dec 15, 2022. Some of the main items on the agenda is addressing the

waiting list and the TCM rate.

Tim is working with the health department to look at ways to increase the updated COVID vaccination (bivalent) rate for the elderly and disabled populations to ensure everyone that wants a shot can attain one.

The workgroup that has been discussing consolidating Department on Aging and CDDO will be finalizing their recommendation by Monday, November 14, 2022.

Deputy Director - Jeannette Livingston

Met with the Affiliate Directors in October to go over how we currently use our State Aid funding of \$1.043 million to primarily help those who are not on the waiver currently. Jeannette reviewed the current items funded and explained the affiliates were asked about any new items they would like to see included in the budget or other changes. They were then asked to rank the items including any that they would like us to remove from the budget. They were happy with the current funding options but suggested we close one time funds so starting Jan 1, 2023 those will be closed. Adult Project SEARCH Scholoraships will also be changed from 5 scholarships down to 2 scholarships. We will also be pulling some people off the state aid waiting list.

Monthly Happenings can be found on the website at https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/developmental-disabilities/monthly-happenings/

At the October Community Council SKIL and Assistive Technology of Kansas did a demonstration of assistive technology items they have available. They offer funding sources and a loan program where you can try it before you buy it.

This years Project SEARCH classes are smaller than past ones. Sedgwick County has 3 students, Maize has 3 students, and Derby has 5 students.

Service Access and Operations – Sherry Arbuckle

Statewide waiting list is currently at 4,840. Sedgwick County is currently at 984. There were 15 Sedgwick County offers sent out in July. Of those 15 offers 8 were accepted. There were 21 offers sent out in October. Currently there have been 4 offers accepted, but it is still early. From Jan 2022 we have added around 400 people to the statewide waiting list even after 2 rounds of offers. The last date for offers on the waitlist was Oct 13, 2012 (so all individuals with intake dates later than this are still on the waiting list).

There are currently 47 individuals in state hospitals. There were 3 new admits this year and 2 were denied access to state hospital by KDADS – 1 is in the appeal process. Looking at trends of movement into Sedgwick County from other counties to have needs met that they can't get in their own county.

Sherry is going to be at a 2 day meeting to participate in a Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) meeting. They are going to be looking to identify the gaps for individuals with complex needs that have co-occurring mental health diagnosis and are engaging with the criminal justice system and how we can manage the situation and address the issue.

Waiting list letters were mailed out via certified mail time stamped sensitive asking individuals if they are wanting to stay on the waiting list or if they would like to be removed. We did end up taking 41 individuals off the list who requested to be removed or had moved out of state. This is a yearly requirement but we usually just ask them if they want to be removed to let us know. This year we requested a response from everyone with the state working on a plan for the waiting list.

SAO is fully staffed. We have hired 3 people in the last couple of months.

Quality Assurance – Shelley Herrington

Covid reporting is still active but as of July 1, 2022 we are only reporting those who test positive.

Currently no significant quality issues with providers. No providers on hold due to quality issues. No TCM agencies on intervention plans.

QA is also fully staffed. With the last postion filled our field work should increase.

Other Business/Announcements

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