West Virginia TBI Quality Improvement Advisory Council Meeting

November 14, 2013 | 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Center for Excellence in Disabilities 4510 Pennsylvania Ave. Charleston, WV

Members Present:

Mark Fordyce, Angela Vaught, Lou Ellen Blake, Stewart Phillips, Sarah James (for Rose Lowther-Berman)

Members Not Present:

Brad Anderson, Betsy Peterson, Don Ashworth

Others Present:

Pat Nesbit (for Susan Given) BMS, Brian Holstine TMH-WV, Amy Shriver APS, Sally Burchfiel (by phone) PPL, Nicole Freeman (by phone) WV Advocates

Meeting Minutes from the 8/14/2013 QIA Council meeting were approved as written.

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Agenda Item	Welcome/ Introductions/Old Business	Presenter	Mark Fordyce, Chair
Discussion and Conclusions:			

Roundtable introductions were made by meeting attendees, and housekeeping issues were discussed.

Old business: The minutes from the August 14, 2013 QIA Council meeting were approved as written.

Mark opened the floor to accept nominations for the Co-Chair position. No nominations were forthcoming. Mark indicated that nominations would continue to be accepted via phone or email on an ongoing basis until the position was filled.

Amy Shriver reported that Samuel Mullett had submitted his resignation from the Council by email on 11/13/13, leaving a vacancy to be filled.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Fill the Council seat vacancy	Mark Fordyce/APS	ASAP
	Healthcare	
Add Pat Nesbit to Council email list	Amy Shriver	Immediately

Agenda	Presentation- An overview of the needs and services available for	Presenter	Terry Cunningham,
Item	individuals with co-existing TBI and substance abuse issues		CED

Discussion and Conclusions:

Terry Cunningham, with CED, gave a scheduled presentation regarding the treatment needs of individuals with TBI, as well as the services available in West Virginia for those individuals. She sent copies of her Power Point slideshow to Sally Burchfiel and Nicole Freeman, who were attending the meeting via telephone, at the beginning of her presentation via email.

Terry provided statistics related to co-existing TBI and substance abuse. She reported that 61% of people in substance abuse treatment programs have sustained a TBI, although it may not have been diagnosed/treated prior to or during substance abuse treatment. She noted that substance abuse treatment

programs in WV do not diagnose TBI, although they could with a simple screening tool. The percentage of people who abused alcohol prior to sustaining a TBI is between 40-60%, and continued alcohol abuse post injury is between 37-54%. There is a smaller percentage of people (20%) who begin abusing alcohol following a TBI, when they did not have a comorbid problem.

In addition to the statistics outlined above, Terry discussed the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as relates to barriers and discriminatory policies, accommodations, consequences of TBI, cognitive, social and behavioral changes common among TBI sufferers, executive functioning deficits, and individualizing substance abuse treatment for individuals with TBI.

A brief Q & A period was held following the presentation. A discussion took place regarding individuals with TBI self-medicating to counteract the effects of some of their prescribed medications.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Share a copy of the HRSA TBI screening	Terry Cunningham	ASAP
tool with Amy Shriver, to be dispersed to		
Council Members through email		

Agenda	Presentation – An overview of the	Presenter	Lisa Bruer, State DUI Coordinator, BHHF/
Item	current addiction and substance abuse		Division of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
	programs available in WV		

Discussion and Conclusions:

Lisa Bruer spoke to the group regarding the DUI curriculum utilized by the state of WV. She relayed that there are 18 providers throughout WV who are responsible for all individuals who are charged with Driving under the Influence (DUI). The curriculum was developed by the providers, and is currently being reviewed for changes, which would make the process simpler. Currently, individuals charged with DUI are required to take classes for a minimum of 6 weeks, utilize an Interlock system in their vehicles, and complete a substance abuse assessment. Any individual charged with more than one DUI is considered a multiple offender, regardless of the length of time between the two offenses.

A brief Q & A was held following Lisa's presentation.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
No Action Items		

Agenda Item	Program Updates	Presenters	Pat Nesbit, Brian Holstine, Nicole
			Freeman, Amy Shriver

Discussion and Conclusions:

Updates were provided as follows:

Pat Nesbit, attending for Susan Given from BMS, reported that Susan would no longer be managing the TBI Waiver Program, effective 12/10/13. She noted that a new Program Manager had been hired, and the individual would be starting on that date.

Brian Holstine from Take Me Home WV/Money Follows the Person provided an update regarding the

program. He reported that TMH/MFP has received 173 intakes, in which 162 met eligibility for the program. Five (5) were found ineligible, six (6) are pending intakes, 30 were closed after being determined eligible, nine (9) transitioned from nursing homes without MFP, two (2) stayed in the facilities after being determined eligible, seven (7) changed their minds about participation, and one (1) did not meet level of care criteria. There are currently 132 active members in the program. The program is staffed with five (5) full time transition navigators. Brian shared that MFP held a meeting, which was attended by more than 50 people, to facilitate better communication among MFP, providers, and facilities. Additional meetings are planned across the state to review the program, process, and transition period.

Nicole Freeman with PPL provided an update. She reported that they are currently serving 14 active members of the TBI Waiver Program. They are working on a crisis intervention training, and are collaborating with Lewis County Senior Citizens Center on another training.

Amy Shriver provided an update for APS Healthcare. The Discovery & Remediation (D & R) report was reviewed, as was the TBI Waiver Monthly Activity Report; copies were provided for Council members. Amy reported that a questionnaire was in development for the April 2014 Open Forums, and the final product would be shared with the Council upon completion.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Share TBI Waiver Open Forum	Amy Shriver	February 2014
questionnaire with Council		

Agenda Item	TBI QIA Council Work Plan	Presenter	Mark Fordyce

Discussion and Conclusions:

The updated QIA Council Work Plan was reviewed and discussed. Mark went through the Goals and Objectives, and indicated that he would work on forming/finalizing work groups for each goal. So far, Angela Vaught and LouEllen Blake are members of the work group for Goal 2: Members receive needed TBI Waiver services from qualified agency providers.

Amy shared that APS has developed a Cognitive Rehabilitation Therapy (CRT) fact sheet, which will require approval from BMS before distribution. Amy also shared the document: Data sources pertaining to employment, derived from the Member Assessment and Participant Experience Survey-BI (PES-BI). This information was requested by Angela and LouEllen and pertains to Goal 4 on the work plan, researching trends.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Continue to form and finalize work	Mark Fordyce	February 2014
groups for Goals 1 & 2, and provide information regarding desired trainings		
(Goal 3) to ASO		

Agenda Item	Public Comment	Presenter	Angela Vaught, CED

Discussion and Conclusions:

Angela reported that CED was presenting a training session on 11/15/13 in Parkersburg. The title of the training is Rehab of the Adult with TBI, and it will be presented again in Charleston on February 27, 2014.

There are both Professional and Consumer tracks offered, and CEUs are available. Angela also reported that CED's grant was extended through 06/14.

Action Items Person Responsible Deadline

Agenda Item	Wrap Up/ Confirm next meeting date		Mark Fordyce
Discussion and Conclusions:			
The next meeting date has been scheduled for 02/13/14, and Angela reserved the CED conference room for			
that date.			
Action Items	ns Person Responsible Deadline		
Send out notice of me	eeting date	Amy Shriver	01/15/14

Minutes submitted by	Amy Shriver, Assessment Coordinator, APS Healthcare	November 26, 2013

No action items