IFSP Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes of the August 23, 2010 Meeting

I. Welcome

J.C.S. welcomed members to the meeting. Introductions were held to welcome the new Human Services Director.

II. Finalize ICSP Plan Submission Request

- J.C.S. held a discussion regarding the submission of the plan which will be submitted on September 15 and an update on the Systems of Care.
- J.C.S. reported on the IFSP Advisory Board Meeting. There were two new parents in attendance. They attended as a result of, "Lift Every Voice," a meeting that P.H. put together. J.C.S. gave a presentation on IFSP at the meeting and the new parents became interested in becoming part of the committee.
- J.C.S. commented that a decision will need to made regarding the direction of prevention Strategy for the plan submission.
- J.C.S. informed the group that the State has requested the submission of one plan for funding, one item line. Truancy Prevention money was requested. Children and Youth did receive money in Needs Based budget for truancy prevention as well. They are looking into if funding is needed in both areas. If the additional funding is not needed through IFSP Promising Practice monies, the budget would be amended to change what is being requested.
- J.C.S. mentioned there was a discussion held at the last meeting regarding drug and alcohol intervention and prevention training for staff in schools. The plan is for drug and alcohol prevention training for staff, preprom activities for youth, a parent's night and expansion of the ROAD (Rubbing out Alcohol and Drugs), training for the SAP (Student Assistance Program) Teams and a Student Assistance Community Day.
- The second category is working on Family Engagement, a public meeting education day for the community and creating a more welcoming I&R environment. Another area discussed was the possibility of a newsletter sent through the internet or a mass mailing.

III. System of Care Update

- J.C.S. updated the group on the process of SOC (Systems of Care), a
 program that works with families and youth for multi-system kids that are
 court involved. Judges are struggling with the length of time it takes to get
 a child in either a MH treatment facility or MR services.
- B.F. mentioned she had decided to look into this problem for kids that need more intensive therapeutic services but are also court involved. An SOC Committee to move forward and a subcommittee under SOC to figure out how to make this work for families and youth will begin. An idea was to begin a juvenile Team MISA made up a representative from each office.
- L.K. explained how CJAB/Team MISA operates and described its function.
- J.C.S. reported information was received for interested counties to submit a letter of interest to be submitted on September 30. There will be a webinar meeting held on September 7 to learn more. She will report more on the State's expectations.
- There was funding requested for HiFi Wraparound from the Needs Based Budget even though there are two more years of funding through HealthChoices dollars through reinvestment. A SOC attachment and summary page will be sent describing what the team's responsibility would be for the Cross Systems Coordinator.

IV. Office Updates

J.B. reported that I&R is working with a different budget and will be working on providing the same level of service for consumers with three caseworkers instead of six. They plan to do this by focusing on consumers and referring professionals that call for direct program information to the other offices. This should cut calls by 26% and is currently being tested

R.M. commented that she notices that HiFi Wraparound and the other programs work and make a difference.

Next Meeting Dates: Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, October 25, 2010, 9:30 a.m., Room 201

IFSP Advisory Committee Meeting

Friday, November 12, 2010; 10:00 a.m., Room 123

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