

Lehigh-Northampton LINK Partner Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2014

I. Welcome and Introductions

Kim Melusky welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the training session for Lehigh-Northampton LINK.

II. Training Presentations

Training presenters were:

- Lehigh County Apprise – (Denise Musselman 610-782-3193)
- Lehigh County Emergency Management Agency – (Tanya Hook 610-782-4604)

Denise provided information on the Apprise Program, Low Income Subsidy, Medicare Savings Plan, and Medicare Part D open enrollment.

Tanya from Emergency Management and Fallon from Bethlehem Health Bureau provided information on “Preparing our Communities for Emergencies and Disasters.”

III. Training Presenter for November meeting

Marybeth Saporita from North Penn Legal Services will be providing information on general landlord and tenant issues and Fair Housing.

IV. Changes in LINK in this new fiscal year

Kim talked briefly about LINKs regionalizing in Pennsylvania. Lehigh-Northampton LINK remains one LINK.

Lehigh-Northampton LINK now has an advisory committee that will meet at least quarterly.

All agencies and organizations participating in LINK meetings and trainings are listed on the Lehigh-Northampton LINK website. Please check the website for accuracy.

Meeting schedule for 2014-2015 is listed on the LINK website as well as meeting minutes, training handouts, and upcoming events.

Kim encourages the group to email event flyers to be posted on the LINK website. This information will not be emailed to the distribution list, but will be posted on the LINK website.

Please take a few moments to view the site and provide a link from your organization’s web page as well.

<http://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/HumanServices/AgingandAdultServices/LehighCountyLINKADRC/tabid/1265/Default.aspx>

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Upcoming workshops sponsored by LINK: **Please share with others!**

- **Aging with Dignity – Creating Welcoming Services for LGBT Adults** scheduled for October 3rd. Limited to 80 participants.
- **Emergency Planning and Partnership Workshop** scheduled for November 7th. Limited to 40 participants.

Please mark your calendar:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Fowler Southside Family Center, Room 505, 511 E. Third Street in Bethlehem.