

**Lehigh & Northampton County Aging & Disability Resource Network
Collaborative Partner Meeting
Minutes of March 14, 2012**

Present: Pam Bechtel (Meals on Wheels of Lehigh County), Tim Boyer (Lehigh County MH/ID), Carol Boyle (Northampton Community College), Donna Buhosky (Bayada Nurses), Todd Campbell (Maxim Healthcare), Rick Daugherty (Lehigh County Senior Center), Tom Dye (Lehigh County Veterans Affairs), Julia Folk (St. Luke's Hospital-Allentown), Anne Grogan (Warren Hospital), Marilyn Heitlinger (Good Shepherd), John Mehler (Northampton County Area Agency on Aging), Kim Melusky (Lehigh County Aging & Adult Services), Lori Molloy (North Penn Legal Services), Ann O'Keefe (Lehigh County Aging & Adult Services), Kim Kushi (Aaron Healthcare), Lucy Prawl (The ARC of Lehigh & Northampton), Janine Reppert (Aaron Healthcare), Kim Schaffer (Bayada Nurses), Laura Sheehan (Lifeline American Red Cross), Judy Stanczak (Lehigh County Aging & Adult Services), Susan Stump (Sacred Heart), Mary Vilter (Regional Housing Coordinator), Gina Wesner (Everyday LIFE), Bob Wittman (HADC, LHOT, PfaDFC)

I. Welcome and Introductions

Ann O'Keefe welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the cross training session of the Lehigh and Northampton County's Aging and Disability Network (ADRC).

Thank you to John Mehler, Northampton County Area Agency on Aging, for hosting the meeting at the Bechtel Building.

II. Cross Training

Collaborative partner cross training presenters were:

- Sacred Heart Hospital (Susan Stump, 484-619-5308)
- Lehigh County Veterans Affairs (Tom Dye, 610-782-3295)
- Housing & Development Corporation, Local Housing Options Team, and Partnership for a Disability Friendly Community (Bob Wittman, 610-432-6336)

Each agency shared their mission, agency contact information, how to make a referral for services, and highlighted programs and services provided by the agency. Handouts were provided highlighting each agency or partnership.

III. Selection of Cross Training Presenters for May

Warren Hospital, Bayada Nurses, and the Regional Housing Coordinator for Lehigh, Northampton, Bucks, Montgomery and Delaware Counties will be the cross training presenters at the May meeting.

IV. Open Discussion/Questions

Once you submit a collaborative partner agreement, your organization is listed on the LINK web page and added to the LINK brochure. You may view the Lehigh County LINK web page at

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

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Future goal will be to place the cross training handouts on the LINK web pages.

Kim will email the Lehigh County LINK and Northampton County LINK logos to the group. It is suggested that you place the logo and a link to the web page on your agency website to show that you are a collaborative partner.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lehigh County Government Center, 17 South 7th Street in Allentown in the Public Hearing Room.