

IN-ABC

Indiana Association of Behavioral Consultants
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Through professional advocacy, support and development, IN-ABC promotes effective, ethical and quality behavioral services.

7/19/13 IN-ABC Meeting Minutes

2013 Board Members present:

President: Gail Kahl
Vice President: Fritz Kruggel
Director: CJ Gallihugh
Director: Amy Pickett
Director: Kelly Howard
Treasurer: Rob Westcott
Secretary: Sue Bauer

Call to order:

President's Report:

- IN-ABC strongly wants to develop a relationship with HABA. Current president of HABA going to meet with Gail. Discuss memberships.
- Liability insurance. We have a new liability insurance carrier
- Provider meeting 8/1/13
- Website...almost done.. Rob met with the designer to work out issues.
- E-mail address--- aol account. Going to discontinue it and start a gmail account. New e-mail address is indianabc@gmail.com
- Send save the date card for the conference to colleagues.

- Election of new board members....President, Secretary and two at-large positions.

Treasurer Report:

Rob Westcott. See report.

Secretary Report: Sue Bauer

Liaison Report: Kelly Hartman.

- Nicole Norvell Division director. Previous role as Director of Special Ed. for Department of Education.
- Learning about structure in DDRS, what's working, what's not working. Continue to work on restructure. New BRS director. Kylie Hope (Atty by trade) also working on charter schools, department of education, has a family member with autism who is on the waiver. More emphasis on employment.
- Initiatives- provider meeting on 8/1/13. Will explain where they are going with group home conversions. Rate issues. Health homes (not submitting health homes to CMS), going to do something else.
- Rates- no risk of behavior consultants going away. Is it true, rates may change or be reduced across the board. Thinking about rates differently, doesn't mean an across the board cut. Within 12 months, may see a restructure of rates and submit to CMS. Other states have varying types of rates based on a person's type of care.
- Rate increases- not necessarily going to solve the longer term problem which is the structure in which we provide services.
- Recommend behavior consultants work with lots of different providers, case managers.
- Case managers - saying they only need to meet twice a year as a team. Discussion of concerns with case management.
- LOC tool, not 100% determine whether someone meets level of care. Only a piece of the pie.
- Lawsuit between two of the CM companies.

- Client's being able to choose case managers and case management company. Supporting the individual's right to choose their own case manager.
- Group home conversations, waiting lists. group home conversations--- will announce on 8/1/13
- waiting lists--- making progress on the wait list. Five local offices. Why not more rapid progress? Time consuming to explain to family about services (BDDS) to do LOCI. Having a difficult time getting supplemental information. Kids who aren't in public school, there's a lack of documentation (evaluations). Causes a lot of time. High volume. How many people get on and get services at one time (working on gathering that information).
- Targeting 400 consumers a month, 200 getting in process. Not sure how many are getting services.
- Health/homes - Not submitting to CMS, doing something else. Will find out on 8/1/13. For consumers who need health care coordination. Roll out by 1/1/14 Not there (health homes) to roll out. Structure not there.
- Psychiatry- concerns with the disconnection of psychiatrists and providers. Prescribing meds for a psych diagnosis. Justifying use of medication. Has been meeting with the director of DMHA, issues with not serving our population.
- Dual diagnosis committee- psychiatry, BMAN, crisis services. How can we do a better job for our dual diagnosed folks. Partnering better.
- Unavailability of beds, short term, safe place to go. WTS. Not going to happen, at least in the short term.
- WTS was decertified. Partnered with Res-Care, agreed to take over the facility. Carmel facility owned by WTS. Res care transitioned these folks to Marion. All still together. In the interim not accepting new consumers. Carmel facility can house a few more individuals. Res care given permission to open up two more locations.
- Other initiative....performance based provider reimbursement methodology. Some things still floating about...

- Kelly--- looking at complex health issues. Research identified Autism as a complex health care issue that costs a lot of \$. Overuse of ABA services billed through third party insurance. Foundation for complex health care. <http://foundation-chs.org> Indiana based business.

Vice President's Report:

Committee Reports:

Ethics Committee:

Mari Shawcroft

Pinnacle...had a BC that did not meet qualifications. The ethics committee turned it over to BQIS for them to investigate. BC did resign and is no longer doing that type of work. Pinnacle is currently a member of IN-ABC.

Professional Credentialing Committee:

Shellie Fetzner and Dayvid Brown new RBC

Professional Development Committee:

Conference---

This year we are going to be on different end of the hotel, right instead of left.

Risk Management:

No report, committee needs to be looked at to see if that committee needs to change.

Marketing committee:

Other:

Respectfully submitted by: Sue Bauer, Secretary