

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.

1/15/16 Meeting Minutes

- 1) Introduction of 2016 board members – Kelly Howard, president; Michelle Webster, vice president; Rob Westcott, treasurer; Sue Bauer, secretary; CJ Gallihugh, director at-large; Gina Schenk, director at-large; David Taylor, director at-large; Kelly Hartman, professional liaison
- 2) Nicole Norvell, DDRS Director – guest speaker
 - See electronic copy of DDRS Community Integration and Habilitation Waiver Changes
 - Waiver amendment submitted to CMS. They have 90 days to give a yes or no. If they have questions they will give another 90 days. Nicole said she would be surprised if this only took 90 days.
 - There were over 600 public comments. There are FAQ's from webinar to give information.
 - Intensive Residential Supports. New Case management Service- compliment to Intensive Residential Supports. Will switch from traditional CM to intensive CM.
 - Transportation- Some changes there.
 - RHS daily rate has switched to enhanced residential living. Changes in training requirements.
 - Structured family caregiving- Adult family living. Made some tweaks to that service definition.
 - Behavioral providers will register as a provider and each BC will have their own rendering #. Also includes Music and Rec therapists. This is due to language in the Affordable Care Act.
 - Not anticipating CMS not approving changes. Won't implement anything until CMS gives stamp of approval. Implementation date of October is what they are looking for. If they don't approve, October date gets pushed back.
 - CMS passed a new rule around settings (i.e., sheltered workshops, clustered residential settings). States had 5 years (2019) to come in compliance with the federal rule. All states had to submit a state wide transition plan to go from where you are to where they want you to go.
 - Intensive Residential Supports Behavioral- 2 to 5% of our CIH population. Small number of individuals that they believe will qualify and benefit.

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- For those people that sharing staff does not work for them. Not intended to be long term.
- Some things in 460 they aren't allowed to change. Did not change things in general surrounding behavior supports.
- Intensive Residential Supports is not necessarily related to the Algo score. It is related to qualities a person has not the Algo score.
- Supports Intensity Scale- 26 states use in order to determine support needs. Right now we use a deficit based tool. The Supports Intensity Scale is a strength based tool. In regard to the states piloting this, have not found any negative feedback on it.
- Remote support technology can be used with Intensive Residential Supports Behavioral.

See Attached Power Point

3) Liaison's Report – Kelly Hartman

- Rendering provider numbers, the state started considering this process several years ago. Each BC will have their own rendering provider #'s. Some language that made it sound like BC's would need to be employees of the provider agency. Does present a problem if it does happen. A lot of us do not work for agencies that have strong HR departments.
- Fair Labor Standards Act. The IRS requires us to consider the difference between subcontractor and employee. Subcontractor not intended to be a long term relationship. Some of us have functioned as a subcontractor. Have to hold subcontractors accountable.
- Revision to Fair Labor Standards Act changes effective 2/16.
- Can DDRS as a government agency, choose to register agencies that are not within the federal law is the question as it relates to subcontractors.
- Affordable care act.
- No new providers being approved at this time. The state wants to control what is there now until they get to the rendering provider process.
- Buckets—will still have an allocation of BMAN services and day services.
- OIG List- Medicaid law. Have to ensure BC's are not on this list when hiring them.

4) Treasurer's Report – Rob Westcott

(See attached)

- Proposed 2016 Budget. Vote to approve
- Approved/Budget passes.

5) Secretary's Report – Sue Bauer

Membership drive. Please turn in your 2016 Membership applications as soon as possible.

6) Committee Reports –

- a) Professional Credentialing Committee – Kim Adkins, chair

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- One new RBC Stephanie Buttler of Tangram! 50 RBC's
 - Board recommends we keep committee. Vote to approve. Approved.
- b) Ethics Committee: Mari Shawcroft- chair
- No ethics complaints
 - Board recommends we committee. Vote to approve. Approve.
- c) Risk Management Committee – Steve O'dore, chair
- No report.
 - Board recommends we keep the committee for one more year. Vote to approve. Approved
- d) New committee developing (Gail Kahl)
- Partner's in Policy Committee
 - Vote to approve new committee. Approved.
- 7) President's Report – Kelly Howard
- Professional Development Committee – no longer a committee; board fulfilling the duties
 - Recommend we disband committee. Vote to approve. Approve.
- a) Conference – feedback said keep in Indy; looking at dates based on location availability
Dr. Patrick McGeevey, keynote
- b) **July 15** meeting being held in Muncie at the Courtyard Muncie at Horizon Convention Center and the Erskine Green Training Institute
- c) Independent contractor versus Employee – Fair Labor Standards Act 2016 will impact the continued use of one classification over the other.

1p - 3p – CEU opportunity Trena Anderson speaking on Grief and Intellectual Disabilities (2 of your required 10 CEUs).

Next meetings:

April 15 (Fisher's Library)

July 15 (Courtyard Muncie/EGTI 601 S. High Street ♦ Muncie, IN 47305)

Respectfully submitted, Susanne Bauer