

IN-ABC

Indiana Association of Behavioral Consultants
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1/16/09 Meeting Minutes

2009 Board Members Present:

President: Gail Kahl
Director (At Large): CJ Gallihugh
Treasurer: Rob Westcott
Secretary: Sue Bauer

41 Members present

Call to order

Discussion Old Business: No old business

President's Report: Gail Kahl

Announcements/Updates:

- *IN-ARF Conference "Navigating the Unchartered"*

March 12, 2009. IN-ABC will have a booth for IN-ARF conference and is looking for volunteers.

- *New Employees/Contractors*

Send original transcripts and copies of diplomas to Arnetta Jackson at DDRS. Also inform Arnetta if someone leaves. DDRS needs to keep track of providers. Will at some point assign rendering numbers.

- ***DDRS Clarification (OASIS and BMAN services in workshop/day services)***

Question raised regarding behavior consultants providing services in workshop / day service settings, and whether this would cause problems with the day service provider's billing.

Response from Adrienne (via e-mail to Gail):

"DDRS does expect and anticipate BMAN services to be rendered during the day including a Facility setting. We do not expect the group size to change when BMAN services are rendered while the individual is participating in their activity. For example, the Behaviorist may be training the Direct Care staff, observing the consumer, etc. This is all billable time for both the Day program and the BMAN provider.

*However if the Behaviorist is removing the consumer from the group setting for a period of the time and providing 1:1 service (i.e. 1:1 skills training); this time away from group participation would be non-billable for the Day program provider. The group size/ratio will not change on the Day Service group log unless the time of 1:1 with the behavior (provider) is longer than **1 hour** as the ratio is expected to change at the top of the hour."*

- ***IMPG Health and Safety indicator (HSI)***

IMPG is in the beginning stages of developing a Health and Safety Indicator (HSI). IN-ABC is recommending this tool tie into the IN-ABC Risk Assessment Tool as there are similarities between the two.

Tim Dashiell has sent the tool to Gail via e-mail for review. His e-mail states in part, *"IPMG's HSI is an indicator that will help the IPMG case manager and the individual's support team be able to identify triggers that are significant to the person. This is necessary to ensure health and safety and to develop the appropriate supports for that person."*

More information on the HSI to come.

- ***SSW/Aging Out of School***

Please note bulletins about the Support Services Waiver and getting people on this waiver when aging out of school. Please continue forwarding those bulletins to appropriate people (parents of school age children, teachers, transition coordinators).

- ***Risk Management Committee***

A motion was made to add a fourth committee to IN-ABC. Steve O'Dore (IRL) has been gathering information from members, regarding the need to work more productively as a trade association in the area of crisis management. Some preliminary topics for this committee may include;

- ▶Working more productively as a trade association in the area of Crisis Intervention.
- ▶Physical Interventions, working to ensure we are doing the right thing in this area.
- ▶What programs are providers presently using for crisis intervention?
- ▶Working with agencies on the development of crisis intervention plans.
- ▶Are there that IN-ABC should endorse?
- ▶Restrictive measures and HRC's.

Recommend working together with entities such as IN-ARF to discuss these issues.

Motion to create Risk Management Committee: Unanimous yes vote by members.
Risk Management Committee established.

Steve will work on developing this committee.

Treasurer Report: Rob Westcott (see attachment)

Liaison- Increase Liaison fee to \$10,000 per year. Motion to increase Liaison fee, Unanimous yes vote by members.

Motion to accept 2009 budget. Unanimous yes vote by members.

Secretary Report: Sue Bauer

As of 1/19/09: 107 paid members, 16 agencies, 11 individuals.

2008 stats: 166 total members

2007 stats: 121 total members

Please continue to send completed applications and fees to Sue Bauer.

Liaison Report: Kelly Hartman

OASIS-Update: Each individuals annual plan amount was divided by new rate of \$18.20/quarter hour. For CCB dates January, February, March, those people should have received a bucket based on previous annual plan. Service hours will be cut because of the rate change. Individual's are getting a little bit less. BMAN is now a one year bucket. BMAN providers, under the new system, do not have to provide services every month and can be more flexible for difficult times.

As of April 1st, at annuals, you will be getting an OASIS allocation based on all the factors, i.e., this is how much it costs to serve you. The team decides use of \$'s. BC's need to make sure they are at the annual meetings. Fiscal negotiating on the best way to serve this individual. They have the right to change within their allocation what they spend their \$ on. By mid 2010, we should know how this is going.

The Economy: Public funded programs are not growing in a bad economy and medicaid rolls go up. Just because more people are on medicaid, doesn't mean more money into medicaid. No intention at this time of slowing down waiting list or capping priority criteria. Bottom line, only so much money to spend.

On 12/24/08, an e-mail went out from the state that by law, the state reserves the right to cut rates. As of 7/1/09, if the economy continues to go south, they could cut rates up to 5%.

InSync: If you have capacity to grow use InSync. If having difficulty with InSync e-mail Karen Brummet Taylor at K.Taylor@gotoipmg.com.

ARC of Indiana: 2/22/09 Texas Hold em tourney for ARC of Indiana. Kelly will be sending out a flyer. \$100 by in. Need dealers. Great event! Event will be at the Rathskellar in Indy.

FSSA: *Ann Murphy, is the new secretary of FSSA, replacing Mitch Roob*

Committee Reports:

Ethics Committee: Fritz Kruggel (no updates)

Professional Credentialing Committee: CJ Gallihugh (no updates)

Conference Committee: Kelly Howard

2009 IN-ABC conference in the beginning stages of development. Conference date not set but working toward an October conference date. The entire year's worth of CEU's can be obtained at this conference.

Risk Management: Steve O'Dore (new)

Sub Committees:

Rate Setting: Kelly Hartman (no updates)

Quality Outcomes: Gail Kahl (no updates)

Self-Advocates: Gail Kahl (no updates)

Round Table Discussion

Kathy Tompkins
Adrienne Shields
Ann Baloski
Dr. James Wiltz
Randy Kreible
Janice Gross

Respectfully submitted by: Sue Bauer, Secretary

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Treasurer Report

Current Balance / Funds as of 12/31/08: \$12,469.87 after all conference expenses

Current Balance / Funds as of 1/15/09: \$15,469.87

Conference Revenue / Expenditures: total expenses / \$27,800 -- total revenue / 25,324.19 – total deficit \$2475

Membership Revenue for 2009: Total Membership Revenue to date 2009 -- \$3000 for reference Total Membership Revenue 2008 was \$12,264, 2007 was \$9450 and Membership Revenue 2006 was \$6782