

# IN - ABC

## Indiana Association of Behavioral Consultants

IN – ABC meeting minutes  
July 17, 2009  
Glendale Mall Library, Indianapolis

Meeting called to order by Vice-President, Sandi Miller-Given at 10:15 am. Board members present: Sandi Miller-Given, vice-president; CJ Gallihugh, director; Rob Westcott, treasurer. Absent: Gail Kahl, president, Sue Bauer, secretary.

### **Round Table:**

Jim Hammond (INARF president), Rich Metzger (IPMG managing director), and Kim Dodson (ARC of IN associate executive director and registered lobbyist) provided question and answer session after update of recent events and current status.

A special session was called by Governor Daniels on 6/11 to work out the budget after the first attempt failed. There is no "wobble room" in the FSSA budget. The 5% Medicaid cut didn't happen, due to testimony from public. Revenue for the next 2 years will impact the 2010/11 budget. Stimulus stops in 18 months.

Plans are underway to move 6000 people off the waiting list. 3,000 people have been processed since 9/06 (average 150/month). Processing time is currently about 80 days.

A strong recommendation was made for providers to maintain a rainy day fund in case current economy continues. Medicaid could potentially make providers wait 35 days for reimbursement of claims.

Discussion of problem areas in waiver were discussed. There is a 43% turnover rate in direct care staff. Lack of accountability was cited as one problem area.

### **INABC Committee reports**

**Risk Management:** Steve O'dore provided a handout. Plans underway to move forward with objective regarding establishing a state-wide standardized physical intervention method/training. The next meeting is 8/3 2:00 pm at Meaningful Day (call to attend). Committee is meeting with residential facilities council. This training would be transferrable among agencies. Motion was made and passed unanimously to go forward with developing methods for standardized physical intervention.

**Secretary Report:** Membership as of 4/17 includes 182 paid members, consisting of 23 individuals and 28 agencies. (Sue Bauer, secretary, was absent). Motion was made and passed unanimously to accept revised minutes (to include presence of Sandi Miller-Given at last IN ABC meeting).

**IN ABC Liaison Report:** Kelly Hartman reports that OASIS is on hold. Confidential meetings are occurring regarding allocations (hints that BCs will be pleased with outcome). Andrew Ranck is no longer with DDRS. More claims may be denied, due to DFR changes – contact Kelly with problems. Be financially conservative in planning for the future.

**Treasurer Report:** Rob Westcott provided update on finances – current fund contains \$12,331. Treasurer's report to be attached with details.

**Professional Credentialing Committee:** One new RBC was announced – Timothy Salmons. Clarification of RBC status was made: RBC status is current, as long as IN ABC membership is current. Following lapse in membership, RBC status can be re-enacted with paid membership within a 3-year period. Suggestion was made to include student and retirement membership.

**Professional Development Committee:** Kelly Howard provided update of 2<sup>nd</sup> annual IN ABC conference 10/29-10/31 (information to be emailed to membership). Room rates have been locked in at \$79 until 9/28. To date, there are 6 confirmed seminars, 2 probablys, and 1 maybe. Dr Posey will be the keynote speaker. Conference will begin at 9:00 am with an association meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> and at 9:30 on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Kelly's having a hard time finding speakers for all the requested areas. There will be 9-12 segments. The committee is trying to send out applications for early registration. Sue Bauer will receive registration. Rob will handle Paypal through IN ABC website. Speaker suggestions can be emailed to Kelly Howard ([Kelly@michianaBST.com](mailto:Kelly@michianaBST.com)).

**Ethics Committee:** One complaint was received – no formal address indicated. Committee is reviewing overall complaint process, which may lead to revision of consent to release forms. Flow chart being reviewed.

Next meeting October 29<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am at IN ABC conference at the Hilton Indianapolis North.

Meeting adjourned 12:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by CJ Gallihugh, director 7/27/09 (for Sue Bauer, secretary).

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## Treasurer Report

**Current Balance / Funds as of 7/13/09: \$12,331.03**

**Membership Revenue for 2009:** Total Membership Revenue to date 2009 -- \$9984 (+ \$300 pending) for reference Total Membership Revenue 2008 was \$12,264 (including 1296.80 in fees toward 2009), 2007 revenue = \$9450 and 2006 revenue = \$6782

**Expenditures for the Previous Quarter:** \$2500 Liaison Stipend, \$1000 to Hilton Indianapolis North (conference deposit), \$520 to Brain Injury Association of Indiana Conference (exhibitor fee - with INABC pamphlet / flyer distributed in the conference bag) - [\$1000 Rainy Day Fund will be opened next quarter]