



**Developmental Disabilities/
Mental Health Committee**
May 27, 2015

<i>Members present:</i>	Emily Braman, Nathan Deeks, Rachel Simpson, Marilyn Schuster
<i>Members absent:</i>	Carol Conlon, Sally Cumberworth, Patricia Lawrence, Joseph Lowe, Becky Smallwood, Noel Suarez, Mason Windhorn, Kelsey Weigel, Joy'e Willman
<i>Others present:</i>	Michael Harmon, Katie Rose (via phone)
<i>Commissioners present:</i>	Mark King
<i>Staff present:</i>	Jessica Coons, Joan Medlen, Kelly Rosenau, Lindsay Vanderworker

Meeting Called to Order

Mark King acting chair called the meeting to order at 10:52 a.m.

Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

Approval of Minutes

The April 27th, 2015 minutes were reviewed but not approved due to a lack of quorum.

Announcements

Lindsay Vanderworker, the Developmental Disabilities/Mental Health (DD/MH)Coordinator made two announcements:

- Nathan Deeks, DD/MH Committee (DD/MH-C) member and Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) representative resigned.
- Michael Harmon, who will be replacing Nathan Deeks at ODDS, plans on applying to be the new representative on the DD/MH-C.

Brainstorming for Future Topics

Lindsay Vanderworker, DD/MH Coordinator, passed out the handout the summary of the last Committee meetings Brainstorming session. The handout was discussed and the highlighted topics were:

- Workforce Development
- Registration Process and Tools
- Referrals for Routine or Emergency & Respite
- Long Term Goals

Lindsay also passed out the new STEPS/Registry marketing material. At this time there are no solid plans on how to distribute the materials.

Workforce Development

Lindsay said she met with Cheryl Miller, Executive Director of OHCC, after the brainstorming session. Cheryl had been working on something similar with Workforce Development for both Homecare Workers and Personal Support Workers. Cheryl explained that Oregon Home Care Commission (OHCC) recognizes there is a need to increase the number of available Homecare and Personal Support Workers on the Registry to support current and future demands for workers. The Commission will have a team of staff members dedicated to implementing the workforce development plan.

Workforce Development has already started in the field with OHCC Staff attending a job fair

Personal Support Workers' Compensation

Kelly Rosenau, Workers' Compensation Coordinator, gave the Workers' Compensation 3rd FY Quarter, January -March 2015, Personal Support Worker Quarterly Claim Report:

- 15 was the average number of injuries claims that were submitted to SAIF. This has gone up to an average of 5 claims per month.
- 3 were non-disabling claims.
- 43 was the average age of injured workers.
- Strain/injury by lifting and fall/slip or trips are the 2 most common injuries at this time.
- It is noted that Personal Support Workers injured by strain/injury by lifting have not taken any safety trainings that are offered to date.

Adjournment

Mark King adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Handouts

- ◆ Agenda
- ◆ Meeting minutes, DD/MH Committee, April 22nd, 2015.
- ◆ Workers' Compensation Report - Personal Support Workers Quarterly Claim Report for Period: 10/01/2015 – 03/31/2015.
- ◆ STEPS/Registry Marketing Materials.
- ◆ Brainstorming Handout for Future Topics/Guest Speakers.