

Arizona Children's Executive Committee (ACEC) Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 23, 2008
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
DES Director's Office
1717 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Members Present	Anne Rock – DBHS	Robert Klaehn- DDD	Roberta Brown - ADE
Michele Flatbush – Cenpatico	Steve Tyrrell - AOC	Mark Ewy- DCYF	Ann Ronan - ACLPI
Shawn Thiele – Magellan	Jytte Methmann -DBHS	Cindy Goertz- JPO	Bob Crouse - DBHS
Rodgers Wilson – DBHS	Vicki Johnson - MIKID	Larry Starks - ADJC	Kim Engle - DBHS
Karen Bulkeley – DCYF	Steve Lazere - DBHS	Robert Klaehn - DDD	
Mike Carr- DCYF	Sue Gilbertson - Parent	Jennie Lagunas -DBHS	
Sara Salek – DBHS	Marta Urbina- OCSHCN	Kevin Flynn - DBHS	

ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW –UP ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
Welcome/Introductions	Dr. Wilson welcomed participants and introductions were given. Director.	None	NA
Review of Minutes from 9/25/08 meeting	The draft minutes were approved.	None	
Old Business/Follow-Up			
New Business			
ACEC Operating Guidelines, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Sub Committee Membership	<p>Steve Lazere provided an overview of these documents. The ACEC was formed in response to the Jason K. Settlement Agreement which is outlined in the MOU. The MOU was signed in 2002 with representation from ADHS, AHCCCS, ADES, ADJC, ADE and AOC. The Settlement Agreement called for these agencies to work together to improve the delivery of behavioral health services to children and families and to enter into agreements or discussions to make necessary changes to the behavioral health system that were consistent with the Arizona Vision and 12 Principles.</p> <p>The Arizona Vision states that behavioral health services will be made accessible and will assist in helping children be successful in school and remain with their families. Services will be provided timely, be culturally appropriate and tailored to the needs of the family. The 12 Principles are listed on page two of the MOU.</p> <p>The purpose of the ACEC is to collaborate and ensure that that behavioral health services are provided to children and families according to the Arizona Vision and 12 Principles, improve coordination</p>		

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	back on the agenda once data has been collected which will be January or February 2009. Once the data is collected, a national consultant will be brought in to help interpret the data, meet with agency partners and help with next steps.		
Other Updates			
State Infrastructure Grant/Substance Abuse Coordination Grant (SIG/SAC) Updates	Jytte Methmann reported that DBHS is in the process of receiving proposals from the RBHA's for the upcoming grant year for the SIG grant. She is requesting that the proposals support the System of Care plan and the focus areas of substance abuse treatment, workforce development, support MMWIA campaign, transition age youth and children birth to five. She is open to ideas that have a cross system stakeholder emphasis as well.		
JK Settlement/Children's System of Care	Kim Engle reported that they have received all the T/RBHA system of care updates for the first quarter progress and are in the process of reviewing their progress and scheduling meetings with each T/RBHA on an individual basis to further discuss their progress and help to support their second quarter goals.		
Subcommittee Updates			
Clinical Subcommittee	Bob Crouse reported that the subcommittee is still working on the issue papers to AHCCCS and hopes to have an update for the December meeting.		
Family Involvement Subcommittee	Vicki Johnson provided a handout regarding an evaluation on the most recent Special Education Webinar and explained the purpose of the Webinar. Parents from around the state participated. The evaluation indicated that there was greater satisfaction with the content and fewer frustrations with the technological issues and parents came away with the information they needed. There were three sessions in October with one in Spanish and others in English. There is a concern about the low level of participation. The subcommittee has had discussions about how to get more people involved. They will be contacting the RBHA's and Juvenile Probation to see if they know of families who might need this assistance. The next training is scheduled for January 9, 2009. Dr. Wilson indicated that each RBHA now has an education contact and he would forward that information to Vicki.		

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<p>Adolescent Substance Abuse Subcommittee</p>	<p>Mark Ewy reported that a final version of the work plan has been completed and a handout was provided. Mark briefly reviewed the work plan focusing on the significant changes made to the document. Goal One, Strategy One eliminated the language referring to Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership (ASAP), but wanted to consider adding objectives in the future regarding ASAP if there are areas that they can collaborate with this subcommittee on. Goal One, Strategy Three added Objectives 1.1 (track the adoption of evidence based practices/programs by adolescent substance abuse providers), 1.2 disseminate an inventory of best practices that substance abuse treatment providers use) and 1.3 (identify and examine existing outcome data on substance abuse treatment programs). Goal 2, Strategy One eliminated language on education and developing a curriculum.</p> <p>There were questions raised as to how evidence based practice would be tracked which would include the subcommittee gathering information on existing evidence based practices from DHS and other entities.</p> <p>The ACEC membership adopted the work plan for inclusion in the ACEC Strategic Plan.</p>	<p>Update to the ACEC Strategic Plan</p>	<p>Steve Lazere</p>
<p>Training Subcommittee</p>	<p>The Training Subcommittee met in October and focused its attention on the curriculum area of Federal and State Requirements. The group brainstormed several ideas and reached consensus on a format option that would best streamline content and make it relevant to the objectives. Several members will fine tune this content area into the structural format for review at the November meeting.</p> <p>Prior to the October meeting group members were polled as to their availability to participate in the work of this subcommittee since attendance at the last few meetings has been sporadic. The subcommittee membership decreased by a third with new members currently being identified. Consistent attendance by the education reps has been very limited which has resulted in minimal development of the curriculum. The group members present at the October meeting discussed options for work outside the monthly meetings to move the progress of the curriculum development forward.</p> <p>Steve Tyrrell indicated that an individual from AOC has been identified to participate in this subcommittee.</p>		

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	<p>supreme court to determine constitutionality. Roberta asked Dr. Wilson to forward the names of the RBHA educational contacts to her.</p>		
AOC	<p>No update</p>		
DCYF	<p>The Practice Improvement Protocol has been approved and a meeting was held last week to discuss the plan.</p>		
DERS/RSA	<p>No update</p>		
JPO	<p>Cindy Goertz reported that a contract was awarded to Touchstone regarding the new evidence based practice for juvenile sex offenders, Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST).</p>		
Other	<p>Dr. Wilson reported that DBHS is developing a practice protocol around bupropion. He is working with the Office of Behavioral Health Licensure (OBHL) in looking at clinical guidelines around the practice of prescribing and dispensing of bupropion. The one component of the protocol that needs to be addressed is the issue of treating adolescents. These protocols will have to be submitted to SAMSHA for final approval. Dr. Wilson will share the adolescent portion of the protocol with the membership as it is developed. The 2009 ASAP Strategic Plan will focus on underage drinking and prescription drug use.</p> <p>Dr. Salek reported on the Psychiatric Best Practice Guidelines for Children: Birth to Five Years of Age practice protocol. The RBHA Children’s Medical Director’s with Dr. Stein established a work group on this practice protocol. It focuses on best practice for children ages birth to five and looking at psychotherapeutic interventions prior to psychiatric medications. The draft has been finalized and it will be out for public comment soon.</p>		
Adjourn	<p>Next meeting December 4th at ADHS</p>		