

Continuum of Care Committee Meeting
July 28, 2016 1:00-3:00pm
United Way Community Room

Attendance: Lindsay Zeglen (United Way of York County), Wander Miller (client/advocate), Missy Gosnell (community member), Colleen Clay (York County Human Services), Leslie Dietz (YWCA Hanover Safe Home), Val Krug (YWCA York), Carol Hinkle (Hanover Area Council of Churches), Ken Klein (Valley Youth House), Nate Rivera (YMCA York), Lateisha Garrison (Valley Youth House), Eve Gardner (Healthy Community Network), Valerie Conway (York County Prison), Stephanie McIlwee (TurningPoint Interfaith Mission), Kimberly Preske (NAMI York County), Laura Ruhling (YWCA Harrisburg SSVF), Ellen Carter-Nicholas (York County Office of Children, Youth, and Families), Barbara Leonard (Veterans Affairs), Amy Hampson (York/Adams HealthChoices Management Unit), Nathan Senft (PA Health Access Network), Patrick Keenan (PA Health Access Network), George Barnock (York County Planning Commission), Kelly Gollick (Contact Helpline), Shelley Peterson (Community Progress Council), Robin Rohrbaugh (Community Progress Council), Marcella Kinard (Bell Socialization Services), Jessica Mockabee (York County Human Services)

Welcome/Introductions: Chair, Jessica Mockabee welcomed everyone and asked for introductions. Minutes from last month's meeting were approved.

EFSP Update

Lindsay Zeglen reported that Phase 33 Board Plans have been sent to the National Board. Once approved without any compliance, agencies should receive the first half of their funding.

Subcommittee Reports

CoC Application

George Barnock reported that the NOFA was released for 2016. A timeline was distributed to those submitting renewals applications. Any renewals need to be sent to Barbara Hodas by August 3. The review process will then take place with results due by August 22 and submission of the final application by September 14. This year, Tier 1 cuts have been made (about 3-5%) which again will go to new project applications under Tier 2. Bonus project eligibility is also available, amounting to 5% of the pro rata, which is about \$1.7 million for potential new projects. NOFA's will be sent out for this funding once details are finalized.

Review and Ranking

The Review and Ranking schedule will be made shortly now that there is a timeline for the application. Hopefully the review will be done by the August meeting.

HMIS

Mr. Barnock reported that Kelly Blechertas ran performance measures that she will share at the August meeting. The new application will include questions on these measures. HUD will be using them as the baseline of how we will be measured in future applications.

10 Year Plan

Mr. Barnock and Bob Woods met to discuss the five themed objectives of the 10 Year Plan considering better ways to update the plan in a timely fashion and involve more members of the committee. Much of the information asked for in the CoC applications are a part of our 10 Year Plan. New leadership within the themes will be assigned. Starting in the fall, theme presentations will be presented at each meeting. Hopefully by the start of 2017 we will have a more defined plan.

Coordinated Assessment

After last month's meeting, Ms. Blechertas sent out guiding principles for coordinated assessment. These need to be voted on in order to move forward with the application.

Kelly Gollick updated everyone on a "triage tool" to use for coordinated entry, however, the sub-committee felt something was missing from that tool so further questions may want to be added in addition to VI-SPDAT. There is a VI-SPDAT for individuals and one for families; the sub-committee is looking at both of these and deciding what is needed from each one to work for our network. The soft launch is scheduled for October 1. All access points will start with just CoC funded programs. All staff in these programs will need to attend VI-SPADT training in September. The trainings will be held on September 22 from 2pm-3pm at United Way, September 27 from 9:30am-10:30am at United Way, and a webinar on September 29 from 10am-11am. For 2-1-1 specifically, staff will use a triage tool consisting of just a few questions in order to determine if they need the VI-SPADT assessment tool completed. As far as where they will be sent for that is still being discussed. Any thoughts or ideas on next steps are appreciated.

Motion: Moved by Stephanie McIlwee, seconded by Eve Gardner, to approve the Vision and Guiding Principles of Coordinated Assessment as submitted by the Coordinated Assessment Committee.

Kim Preske was concerned about the wording under the "Vision" section and if our expectations are too high by saying "eliminate homeless." Other verbiage such as "reduce" or "strive to eliminate" may be more realistic.

Mr. Barnock explained that the vision coincides with our 10 Year Plan and that this is ultimately what we are striving for, while also knowing we alone cannot eliminate homeless completely. The committee members were in agreeance of keeping the vision of the guiding principles the same as the vision of the CoC.

Another suggestion was to create a plan for individuals on the waiting list on how to transition to a housing source, especially those who will eventually get moved around on that list based on the needs of others. She recommended saying "agencies are working together in an effort to transition individuals into housing." This may not need to be included in the guidelines but addressed later on.

Ms. Preske also suggested including “program exits”, as far as what to do if someone declines your referral. She recommended defining what an appropriate referral is or providing two referrals.

Ms. Mockabee explained that some of these additions may not necessarily be concerns that should go under the guiding principles but rather addressed within the committee once the guidelines are adopted.

Motion: Eve Gardner moved, Kim Preske seconded, to approve the Guiding Principles of Coordinated Assessment as submitted by the Coordinated Assessment Committee with a change to the Vision now stating “To end homelessness in York County.” Motion carried.

Medical Respite

A group meeting is scheduled for mid-August to work on an RFP.

Veterans

No update since last meeting.

Improved Response Committee

The sub-committee met and discussed various questions to ask individuals on the street and how they can be served better. Missy Gosnell is drafting the survey and the committee will meet next on August 4 at 2:00pm at the United Way.

Provider Updates

Wanda Miller reported her cable access show is up and running and doing very well. She is always looking for guests especially providers who do not get media attention.

Amy Hampson reported their Shelter Plus Care program now has 20 subsidy spots that had been reduced from 29. This is a result of their program being condensed to Tier 2 funding because they are not a Housing First model.

**CoC Presentation: Housing as Health/Medicaid and Supportive Housing
Patrick Keenan, PA Health Access Network**

The Next Meeting will be held on August 25, 2016 @ 1:00pm at United Way.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindsay Zeglen