



State of Illinois
Illinois Department on Aging

Older Adult Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 8, 2011, 1-3 p.m.

Location:

Illinois Department on Aging Conference Room, 160 N. LaSalle St., 7th floor, Chicago
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield (Rock River Video Conference Room – 2nd Floor)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

- Pat Ahern – Hospice and Palliative Care
- Stephanie Altman – Health and Disability Advocates
- Darby Anderson – Addus Healthcare
- Carol Aronson – Shawnee Alliance for Seniors
- Jean Bohnhoff – Effingham County Committee on Aging
- Jan Costello – Illinois HomeCare and Hospice Council
- Joyce Gusewelle – Parish Nurse
- Frank Daigh – Caregiver and citizen over age 60
- Phyllis Mitzen – Citizen member over 60, Health and Medicine Policy Research Group
- Grant Nyhammer – Northwestern IL AAA
- Melissa O'Brien – Senior Services Center of Will County
- Eli Pick – Ballard Healthcare
- Tom Prohaska – University of Illinois at Chicago
- Susan Real – Caregiver, Eastern Illinois Area Agency on Aging
- Cathy Weightman-Moore – Catholic Charities of Rockford
- Ancy Zacharia – Nurse Practitioner, Homecare Physicians

Committee Members not in attendance:

- Pat Comstock – Health Care Council of Illinois
- Thomas Cornwell, MD – HomeCare Physicians
- Jerry Crabtree – Township Officials of Illinois
- Barbara Dunn – Community Health Improvement Center
- Shanthy Edward – Illinois Adult Day Service Association
- Robyn Golden – Rush University Medical Center
- Terri Harkin - SEIU
- Myrtle Klauer – Illinois Council on Long-Term Care
- Michael Koronkowski – UIC College of Pharmacy
- Elio Montenegro – Omega Community Healthcare Organization
- Patricia O'Dea-Evans – A Silver Connection
- Dave Vinkler - AARP

Ex-officio – non-voting Committee Members in attendance:

- CHAIR: Michael Gelder – Acting Director, Illinois Department on Aging
- Vice-Chair: William Bell – Illinois Department of Public Health
- Vice-Chair: Kelly Cunningham for Theresa Eagleson – Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services
- Robert Kilbury - Illinois Department of Human Services
- Sam Mordka – Illinois Housing Development Authority

Ex-officio – nonvoting Committee Members not in attendance:

- Gwen Diehl – Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs
- Vacant – Office of the Governor
- Gail Hedges – Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- Sandy Leith – Illinois Department of Professional Regulation, Senior Health Insurance Program
- Sally Petrone – Illinois Department on Aging, State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Observers

- Lauren Belding (IDoA Graduate Intern as of 8/22/11)
- Paul Bennett (UIC)
- Stacy Delvo (IDoA Graduate Intern as of 8/22/11)
- Sean Mutale (Addus Healthcare)
- Kristen Pavle (HMPRG)
- Lauren Spira (HMPRG)
- Catherine Starks (Health and Disability Advocates)
- Beth Weiss (UIC, My Choices Project Coordinator)

Illinois Department on Aging staff:

- Sandra Alexander
- Janice Cichowlas
- Ross Grove
- Mary Killough
- Mary Mayes
- Robin Morgan
- Lenore Roth
- Paul Stepusin

SUMMARY

Welcome and Introductions

Michael Gelder, Acting Director of IDoA led the meeting.

Approve February 28, 2011 OASAC Minutes

Jean Bohnoff moved and Darby Anderson seconded that the minutes from the February 28 meeting be approved. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Executive Committee Report Carol Aronson gave a brief summary of the Executive Committee meeting in Dave Vinkler's absence.

New Work Groups

Housing/Access to Community Settings

Sam Mordka reported that IHDA is rolling out the case worker portal for transition coordinators for MFP only at this time, 1st webinar under MFP will be held on 8/24 at 1pm. More training sessions will be rolled out in the near future. Susan Real requested we include AAA liaison in 2nd stage training. Sam indicated slow rollout is the key word on this program to ensure proper safeguards. Relevant ethics training will be part of the webinar.

Jean Bohnhoff noted that in Effingham Co, it lists only one facility available for housing but in fact, they have a 6 month waiting list. Sam explained that there are no restrictions on who can list their available housing. Section 8 housing is required to keep a wait list so there may be some benefit to list their housing to help people get on the wait lists. Sam will help people get their properties listed. It is in the interest of the landlords to be as accurate as possible. The call site also contacts sites that have not been updated in the last 10 days for possible updates. Sam will look in to a new field such as “wait list available.”

Frank Daigh supports the idea of training people about how best to use the website, especially in terms of wait lists.

Sam Mordka reported that IHDA will work with the workgroup to develop a satisfaction survey for users of the housing website.

Access to Community Supports and Services – Susan Real

The access work group invited participation from OASAC in making recommendations to address the service inventory, and priority service areas. The group had a tutorial of the ESP database and presentations from Betsy Creamer and Michael O’Donnell about the priority service planning process used by the AAAs. The Committee will be having several meetings over the next 6 weeks to prepare recommendations so IDoA can work on cost analysis for the final report due to the legislature on January 1st.

Susan Real indicated there is motivation at the AAA level to keep the ESP system updated. Sandra Alexander said that the ESP system is also a priority of the ADRC initiative.

Presentation of MFP from Kelly Cunningham

A Power point presentation on MFP was given and handouts made available. Kelly Cunningham introduced Laura McCurdy who will be working with MFP at HFP along with Kelly.

State Department Progress on Priority Areas

Illinois Department on Aging

Michael Gelder reported that the Governor’s office has convened a retreat for the state agencies on the broader discussion of long term care. State agencies came up with a vision for rebalancing to develop access to high quality care, and to include and incorporate the components for LTC which is community based. State agencies continue to meet.

Mary Killough reported that the Department filed emergency rules to tighten up Medicaid policy. Her staff is in the process of developing procedures for the CCUs which should go out soon.

The Department is also looking at medication management programs. IDoA is implementing a preferred provider program. This program, Community Aging Referral Program (CARP), is a private pay program using certified providers to serve people between \$17,500 – \$35,000 in assets to receive qualified CCP services at a State rate. An MOU for provider agencies who want to participate is being drafted.

Sandra – looking to revise due date for the annual OASAC report to address audit finding due to late filing, and to give time for the printing/production process of the report which current falls during the holiday season.

Illinois Department of Public Health

Bill Bell reported that IDPH is busy implementing SB 326 and SB 145 which deals with DD facilities and modification facilities. In discussions with DHS to track use of medication in long term care in facilities.

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

Kelly Cunningham reported HFS and IHDA are working together to respond to a federal funding grant opportunity. This is a 1 year grant, due August 15, 2011, which will provide funding for states to providing \$330,000 target people coming out of nursing homes.

Illinois Housing Development Authority

Sam Mordka reported: request for applications for permanent supported housing have gone out. Workshops will be held in Springfield and Chicago.

Illinois Department of Human Services

Rob Kilbury reported on the budget for home services, which will experience a shortfall by end of May. Working with Governor's office on different strategies as best as they can. Continue to work with Aging to ensure that people are enrolled in only one waiver program in order to ensure the state is able to get the maximum FFP. .

Illinois Department of Insurance

Sandy Leith not present at meeting to report.

Announcements/Issues

Next meeting is November 14, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.