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Interagency Council on Homelessness

DRAFT MINUTES

of the

INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

Video and Teleconference Meeting on

Friday, October 21, 2016

8:30a – Until Adjourned

Videoconference Locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

So. NV Adult Mental Health Services
6161 W. Charleston Blvd., *West Hall Conference Room*
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

4126 Technology Way
Conference Room 201
Carson City, NV 89706

Division of Health Care Financing & Policy (DHCFP)

1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 103
Elko, NV 89801

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Announcements

For Possible Action

Ellen Richardson-Adams, Chair of Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), called the meeting to order at 8:35a.

Members Present: Betsy Aiello, Jenifer Chavez, James Dzurenda, Steven Fisher, CJ Manthe, Dennis Perea, Tony Ramirez, Ellen Richardson-Adams, John Schmidt, Stephen Shipman, and Wendy Simons.

Members Absent: Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Stephanie Gordon, Kelly Robson, Kathleen Sandoval, and Tyrone Thompson.

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Others Present: Anabel Ballard (DPBH administrative support), Dale Hansen (NV Housing Division), Vanessa Pickles (DPBH administrative support), Julie Slabaugh (Sr. Deputy Attorney General), Susanne Sliwa (Sr. Deputy Attorney General), Arneva Smith (DHCFP).

Announcements: Ellen Richardson-Adams thanked all members for their work and dedication while on this Council and announced that all Interagency Council on Homelessness appointments would be ending at the end of October. She encouraged those interested in reapplying to submit their application as soon as possible. Public interested was asked to contact Anabel Ballard for additional information.

II. Public Comment

No public comment.

III. Review of Meeting Minutes – 07/22/2016

For Possible Action

Meeting minutes for 07/22/2016 were reviewed.

James Dzurenda made a motion to approve the minutes as written. CJ Manthe seconded the motion. Betsy Aiello abstained from voting. Remaining members approved unanimously.

IV. Supportive Housing Workshop

CJ Manthe reported that the NV Housing Division conducted the Supportive Housing Workshop on August 4th with approximately 50 attendees representing state, county, non-profit organizations, veteran services, rural development, and several corporations. Many suggestions and input received from participants. Another workshop is scheduled for next week from which they are anticipating additional feedback. Project in place should yield potential 20-30 permanent supportive housing units for at-risk population.

V. Budget Concept Paper Update

Betsy Aiello suggested changing agenda item name to 1915i Initiative since it is no longer moving forward as a concept paper. Statewide meeting to be coordinated between Medicaid and Washoe and Clark counties. This will help draw out what the program will look like, ensure everyone will be comfortable with it, and let it be cost-neutral. Looking at a three-tier concept once someone is housed. Once this is in place, will present to CMS.

VI. IAP State Medicaid Housing Agency Partnerships Convening

Arneva Smith with the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) presented information from October 2016 Washington, DC convening. The following focus areas were determined: *Build the Innovation Acceleration Planning (IAP) Team and Base of Support, Gather Target Population Information, Specify Services and Identify Services Financing Strategy, Secure Housing Resources and Design Approach to Link Services with Housing,*

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Develop the Investment and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis, and Implement, Evaluate, and Adjust. Handout presented to Council members which outlines the next steps to take. Ellen Richardson-Adams will begin to look at how to embed the IAP into the work that the ICH is doing instead of having it listed as a standalone agenda item.

VII. Workgroup Updates

For Possible Action

Workgroup 1 (Housing, Homelessness Prevention, and Intervention): CJ Manthe discussed issues with quorum. Workgroup will reconvene next month after being unable to make quorum over the summer. Workgroup discussion will include reviewing Strategic Plan goals and determining what goals need to be set for 2017. Michele Fuller-Hallauer is currently working on updating the SWAP Tool and should soon have real-life data available to present.

Workgroup 2 (Education and Workforce Development): James Dzurenda stated this workgroup was able to meet yesterday and already have a follow-up meeting scheduled for November 10th. Workgroup may decide to include an additional member from the Department of Education as they continue to work on their objective and goals.

Workgroup 3 (Coordination of Primary and Behavioral Health, and Wraparound Services): Betsy Aiello stated ongoing issues with quorum during the last 2-3 meetings. Workgroup lost its Chair recently and are in need of additional members. Ellen Richardson-Adams stated she will assist with this workgroup until new chair is appointed. Betsy Aiello suggested that those involved with the Innovation Acceleration Planning (IAP) team should be considered for this workgroup. Clarification is also needed as to who is involved in this workgroup and who is no longer an active participant.

Workgroup 4 (Coordination of Data and Resources): Steven Fisher presented on behalf of Michele Fuller-Hallauer and stated issues with quorum and asked for additional members to be added in order for workgroup to move forward. CJ Manthe suggested they add Dale Hansen from the NV Housing Division. Tony Ramirez recommended that they reach out to the Continuum of Care in case anyone is interested in joining and asked for upcoming meeting dates to be sent out to the Council in order for them to also reach out to them. Betsy Aiello stated she may have someone at Medicaid who can join and will reach out to them. Ellen Richardson-Adams suggested Arneva Smith join this workgroup and her supervisor, Betsy Aiello, stated she would look into that component and find out what Medicaid can do.

John Schmidt asked for clarification on whether workgroups could appoint new members to the workgroup or if they had to be presented to the main ICH prior to appointment. It was determined that the Council had previously stated that each workgroup could add members as necessary in order to make quorum but they needed to keep in mind that this would make the number needed to make quorum higher. Even with the addition of new participants, the Council members of the workgroup would still be the ones to report to the ICH during their meetings.

John Schmidt made a motion to add members listed above to Workgroup 4 due to ongoing quorum issues. Betsy Aiello seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

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Workgroup 5 (Policies and Long Term Planning): John Schmidt recommended Strategic Plan be looked at as a live document and determine whether or not it needs to be updated and adjusted. This will assist in not just reviewing members, but also in planning future action items.

Workgroup members were encouraged to think of potential recommendations from the community that could be added to the workgroups. Suggestions should be forwarded to appropriate workgroup Chairs and can be discussed at the next ICH meeting.

VIII. Continuum of Care (CoC) Updates

Due to loss of quorum, agenda item was not discussed.

IX. Set Date and Time of Next Meeting and Discuss Future Agenda Items

For Possible Action

Due to loss of quorum, agenda item was not discussed.

X. Public Comment

For Possible Action

Due to loss of quorum, agenda item was not discussed.

XI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:01a by Ellen Richardson-Adams due to loss of quorum.