

CHIP Committee Minutes:

10/5/2023

Behavioral Health Provider Recruitment and Retention Committee: 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Committee Goals:

1. Determine provider needs (with survey). 2. Invite providers to the committee. 3. Create a group recruitment initiative to bring providers to our area.
 2. Beyond 2023- focus on high schools with activities such as career panels and survey students about staying in the area versus leaving the area.
- I. Introductions/Attendance: Jill Colegrove with Colegrove Counseling; Traci Pilar with Center for Survivors; Michelle with Goodlife Counseling; Karmen VanDeWalle; Molly Pofahl, Loree Rivas, Mathews Tampi, and Terri Ford-Wolfgram from East Central District Health Department
- II. Updates on Goal Activities:
1. Committee Google Drive Folder:
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/101htA7qUPBZfnGUDG3U2zORiSmg4YKR5?usp=share_link
 - Action items on this drive have been temporarily suspended
 2. Brochure Distribution:
 - a. New lead: Amy will be spearheading the completion and distribution of the brochure going forward.
 - b. Discuss with Chamber: Amy will speak with Dawson
 - c. Brochure will be handed out at college job fairs
 - i. Wayne State- November 1st
 - ii. Mathews will be in touch with other colleges in the area
 - d. Nebraska BH Organizations
 - e. If you have leads or distribute the brochure, please update the spreadsheet in the Google Drive folder.
 3. Provider Needs Survey (trainings/certifications)
 - a. Survey Content: Survey providers asking their needs regarding CEU type needs including diagnosing and ethics, recertification needs, and additional trainings such as CBT, DBT, ART etc.)

- b. Karmen will disseminate survey to providers electronically
 - c. Student Loan Debt Repayment Assistance for Mental Health Professionals in Rural Nebraska
 - i. Repayment assistance for student loan debt
 - ii. Discussion of parameters that are impossible to meet- too many direct contact hours
- III. Next Steps
- 1. Action items
 - i. Amy will speak with Dawson at the Columbus Area Chamber
- IV. Next meeting: [November 2nd- 12:00 PM](#)

Combined Discussion: 12:30-12:45

Notes: Karmen is looking into holding all behavioral health meetings at ESU 7

Community Mental Health Efforts Committee: 12:45-1:15 p.m.

- II. Introductions/Attendance: Jill Colegrove with Colegrove Counseling, Rebecca Stalacker with COR Therapeutic; Traci Pilar with Center for Survivors; Karmen VandeWalle; Molly Pofahl, Loree Rivas, Mathews Tampi, and Terri Ford-Wolfgang from East Central District Health Department
- V. Coordination of MH Efforts-
- District Suicide Prevention Coalition:
 - 501(c)(3) Incorporation: Who is interested in helping with incorporation? Karmen will email the entire committee to invite interested parties to be a part of the incorporation documents.
 - Community CHIP committee could possibly be absorbed by new District Suicide Prevention Coalition
- VI. New Ideas to accomplish by the end of the year
- 1. PSA's- Where else can we promote United Way's 'How Are You Really?' campaign?
 - 2. Table tents to put in clinics, schools, and hospitals with QR codes that lead people to mental health resources such as hotlines, websites.
 - 3. Dental discussion
 - i. Roberta has begun a new initiative
 - ii. We need to survey the community to find out what needs there are

1. Likely cannot accomplish this by the end of the year

VII. Actions:

1. Karmen will form a group to incorporate the district suicide prevention coalition.
2. Karmen will contact Tami/ESU7 about booking future combined meeting dates.
3. Karmen and Tami will discuss reviving a behavioral health networking activity
4. Mathews will work to finalize the brochure and reach out to colleges in the area
5. Mathews will attend United Way meetings to see what we can do to help
6. Mathews will meet with Roberta regarding dental initiatives

Information:

1. Next meeting: Thursday November 2nd, 12:00-1:15 P.M.
2. Provider Google Drive:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/101htA7qUPBZfnGUDG3U2zORiSmg4YKR5?usp=sharing>
3. Community Google Drive:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/122plgJEhvACRa1gFDnutAnimDwtigCcY?usp=sharing>
4. Meeting Link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83417891106?pwd=ZTBVZStxUHFpWUFscUMrc04wNnZQUT09>