Lifesharing Western Region Meeting Agenda

November 17, 2016 10am-1:30pm

***Mission:The mission of the Western Region Lifesharing Coalition is to foster growth and awareness of Lifesharing through Family Living throughout the Western Region of Pennsylvania.***

**2015/2016 Goals: Goals 2017**

* Increase Provider participation by 10% (currently 24)
* ODP to present one to two times to coalition
* Host one session with BHSL (involve families feedback)
* Two trainings to promote Lifesharing with recruitment

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| **Question or topic** | **Owner** | **Decision/ Information** | **Come Prepared to** | **Outcome** | **Allotted Time** |
| Opening round- | Facilitator | Group Discussion | Introduce Yourself- Share one expectation you have for today. | Thanks to Warren Milestone HCQU for presenting a training from 10 to Noon on Aging and Developmental Disabilities | 5 minutes |
| Reminder of Positive and Productive Meeting format- Agenda Builder email for group to use:  [Lifesharingregion@outlook.com](mailto:Lifesharingregion@outlook.com) | Facilitator | Information/  Group Discussion | Volunteer for Note Taker and Time Keeper today? |  | 2 minutes |
| **ODP Update-** | Michelle Walters and Jared Roser | New Western Region Lead is assigned to Jared Roser. Michelle Walters will provider Jared with training and back up. Effective now |  |  | 10 minutes |
| **Information from ODP, RCPA and PAR**  **ODP Communication 090-16: Delay of the Public Comment Period for the Consolidated and Person/Family Directed Support Waiver Renewals**  **ODP Communication 084-16Questions and Answers Regarding Consolidated and PFDS Waiver Amendments Approved July 2016**  **RCPA update -** **Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) Communication Number 088-16 announced that, effective November 12, 2016, six new employment questions have been added to the Supports Coordination: Individual Support Plan Monitoring Tool**  **ODP's Proposed Program and Fiscal Regulations Have Been Published in the PA Bulletin:**  **The 45-day clock began today, Saturday November 5, 2016** | Facilitator | Delay in the publication of the Consolidated and P/FDS waiver renewals for public comment. As a result, ODP is rescheduling the three webinars that were scheduled to occur on November 18, November 30, and December 1 are rescheduled for:  January 12, 2017 - 1:00pm to 4:00pm   January 13, 2017 – 9:00am to 12:00pm   January 17, 2017 – 1:00pm to 4:00pm  Released 10/31/16  The questions are as follows (the ODP communication provides additional detail and clarification):  Question 1 – Is the individual working in a competitive integrated job? Competitive integrated employment is defined here as earning minimum wage or better and working in a setting where a majority of workers don’t have a disability, and the individual is paid directly by the employer and not by the service provider. If the answer is “yes,” then questions 2 through 6 are asked. If the answer is “no,” then the only other question asked is whether the individual is enrolled in a prevocational or transitional work service.  Question 2 – Is the individual self-employed? Self-employment is defined as earning income directly from one’s own business, trade, or profession, rather than wages or a salary from an employer.  Question 3 – How many jobs is the individual working that meet the definition of competitive integrated employment?  Question 4 – Estimated average hours worked per typical work week.  Question 5 – Job type (from a dropdown list)?  Question 6 – Does the individual receive paid benefits?  **November 5, 2016, ODP announced in the Pennsylvania Bulletin its proposal to adopt 55 PA. Code Chapters 2380, 2390, 6100 (replacing Chapter 51), 6200, 6400, and 6500. The 45-day comment period has begun and will end on December 19, 2016**  The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) has proposed replacement regulations for 55 Pa. Code Chapter 51 (ODP Home and Community-Based Services), along with corresponding amendments to current licensing regulations, which were published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on November 5, 2016. The affected regulations are:  o Chapter 51 (Office of Developmental Programs Home and Community-Based Services) - Regulations being replaced by Chapter 6100  o Chapter 6100 (replacement for the current Chapter 51 regulations) - new regulations  o Chapter 6200 (Room and Board Charges) - amendments  o Chapter 6400 (Community Homes for Individuals with Intellectual Disability) - amendments  o Chapter 6500 (Family Living Homes) - amendments  o Chapter 2380 (Adult Training Facilities) - amendments  o Chapter 2390 (Vocational Facilities) - amendments  ODP anticipates that the proposed renewals for the Consolidated and Person/Family Directed Support Waivers (Appendices A-H) will be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on November 12th, followed by a 45-day comment period. Proposed Waiver Renewals are not subject to the independent regulatory review process.  Tuesday, December 13 through Monday, December 19 - All members are urged to submit their own comments and are welcome to use and rely on PAR's comments in their submission to ODP.  Tuesday, December 19 - Public Comment Period for Proposed Program Regulations Closes.  Mid-December - ODP Expects Waiver Appendices I-J (fiscal) to be released and a 45-day comment period will begin on those appendices.  January  January - PAR draft comments on Waiver Appendices I-J (released mid-December) and provides comments to membership  Mid January-Early February - Comment period for Waiver Appendices I-J closes  Thursday, January 26 2017- Comment Period Closes for the IRRC to submit its comments  Post January 26, 2017:  ODP must review all comments received, prepare their final regulations, and make any changes to the regulations (ODP must include a response to every comment it receives).  ODP must deliver its final form regulations to the IRRC and the legislative standing committees.  The IRRC will conduct a public meeting (not a hearing) no sooner than 30 days from the receipt of the final regulations. The public may submit additional comments to IRRC prior to IRRC public meeting but the only action the IRRC can take at that juncture is to turn the regulations down in total or to accept them in total. The IRRC will review the regulations to determine: (1) Whether the agency has statutory authority to implement the regulation; (2) Whether the regulation is consistent with the legislative intent; (3) Whether the regulation is in the public interest regarding economic or fiscal impact, protection of the public health, safety, and welfare and the effect of the regulations on Pennsylvania's natural resources; and (4) whether the regulations are feasible, clear, not ambiguous, and reasonable.  IRRC Meeting Protocol:  1. Agency (ODP/DHS) opening remarks.  2. Public comments (PAR and others).  3. Agency response.  4. Commissioners vote regulations up or down. |  |  | 10 minutes |
| **2016 Lifesharing Conference- October 17 and 18** |  | We had a total of 230 participants attend. full report at the coalition meeting of the conference details.  What worked?-space worked well- well organized  What could be improved upon for next year?  Thoughts on the venue? Venue was very nice and worked well.  Thoughts for next year's conference? ODP should attend again and give their updates. These sessions were very helpful. Especially Nancy Thaler.  More sessions on how certain agencies actually deliver Lifesharing as a service. Gives audience ideas that were never thought of before.  Thoughts for next year's topics/theme's?  Specific training on how a provider family can help support a person’s rights but also have the consumer understand that certain things in the home need to occur or get done. Rights vs Choices would help.  Supporting a person in a Lifesharing home during the End of Life Circumstances.  What was the highlight? Award ceremony and the picture booth  Suggestions for next year?Presentation on the changes that are occurring right now with Chapter 6100 and the service definitions and rates. ODP should attend and give clarifications of the new rules once they are set. |  |  |  |
| **REGIONAL BASKET FOR CONFERENCE** |  | **Thank you to all who donated to the basket- it was a major hit-**  **Kathy- 2 bottles of wine, crackers, cheese**  **Achieva- 1 bottle of wine**  **EHCA- 2 bottles of wine**  **Jane from new light- 1 bottle of wine**  **Barber- basket, candy, mugs, cheese tray and cutter**  **Step by Step- wine glasses** |  |  |  |
| **State Coalition Meeting – December 8th**  **Group Feedback on Chapter 6100** |  | Camp Hill Giant Eagle |  |  |  |
| **Training Committee** |  | State Coalition Training Committee working on three items:  Training : Some items have to be recreated for uploading to the PA lIfesharing website. Lifesharing Introduction Training that was presented is in Anna’s hand. Columbus helped finalize the final training DVD. DVD needs to be held by Lifesharing Coalition as the master DVD. Can’t be sent via email. Will be able to be uploaded without any problem. There are speaker notes included. |  | Concern from the Western Region members expressed due to the Independent Contractor DOL that indicates agencies should not be giving all the training directly to the Independent Contractor. Discussion that having training on the PA Lifesharing website would be very helpful. | 5 minutes |
| **Media Committee** |  | The Media Committee Newsletter is to be out by the end of December. Any information to add?  If interested, please contact Stephanie Brown Sbrown@KenCrest.org  Logo will be next focus area• |  |  |  |
| **Regulation Committee** |  | BHSL Committee of PATH BHSL Committee has not met recently due to the conference work. Waiting to meet with new Director, Jacci |  |  |  |
| **Dates/Arrangements for 2017 State Coalition**  **2/16 Camp Hill (Central)**  **4/20 State College- Western**  **6/15 State College- Northwest** (**training on Traumatic Brain Injury)**  **8/17 Camp Hill - South East**  **12/7 or 12/14 Camp Hill** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **PA Lifesharing DVD** |  | (5 ODP will not update the DVD any longer or put it on the website. |  |  |  |
| **Lifesharing Website** | Facilitator | E Please visit our PA Lifesharing  Website at: **palifesharing.com**  [http://www.bing.com/search?q=lifesharing+pa&src=IE-SearchBox&FORM=IE8SRC - #](http://www.bing.com/search?q=lifesharing+pa&src=IE-SearchBox&FORM=IE8SRC##) |  |  |  |
| **Hot Topics- Any issues to take to State Committee? Any innovated ideas or approaches to share?** | Facilitator | Various agencies that have been surveyed recently gave input:  High emphasis on goal planning and the assessment will be a priority over the next year.  Lifesharing homes do not need integrated alarms but surveyors were trying to say they were needed.  Emphasis on PS signing as “completing” the assessment. Discussion on how a PS cannot act as direct care or the Lifesharing provider and observe every skill in the assessment. |  |  |  |
| **Burning Issues and Parking Lot-** | Facilitator | Group Input/Discussion |  |  |  |
| **Closing Round:** | Group | Group Input |  | Winter break for Western Region-  NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY MARCH 16TH IN EMLENTON PA |  |

**Roles for May Meeting**

**Facilitator: Carrie**

**Agenda Builder: Anna Rankin and Carrie Kontis**

**Note Taker: To be assigned**

**Timekeeper: To be assigned**

**Ground Rules:**

1. Arrive on time & start training at 10am. Take Lunch orders and ask for lunch to be served by at 12pm

2. No side conversations while other participants have the floor a trainer is presenting.

3. Take Cell phone calls out of the meeting area

4. Parking lot items – the Parking Lot Method will be used for items that should be put on the next meeting agenda or discussed at the end of the current meeting if time allows.

**Facilitator: *Leads discussion***

**Agenda Builder: *Receives information and builds agenda***

**Note Taker: *Note taker highlights agenda items from current meeting discussion, records decisions***

**Timekeeper: *Keeps group on track with overall time***

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