

Lifesharing Central Region Meeting 3-9-16

- Opening round: when meeting a new family, at what point do you contact Bill Bruaw/ODP to request a non-contiguous clearance? When do you complete physicals, criminal history checks, Medicaid Fraud checks, self-inspection tool, etc...?

After the Home Study is completed, Bill is contacted as soon as possible. The remainder of the list varies. Some agencies do everything and get the house licensed. Others wait until they know they have someone to move in before licensing the home. Some agencies pay for clearances and physicals and other agencies do not.

- Reviewed Coalition meeting minutes – no changes

Please send ideas for trainings at future regional or statewide Coalition meetings to Becky Kreischer.

Continue to apply for initiative money. Even after it is all allocated, money may be returned unused. ODP maintains a waiting list.

SNAP benefits cannot be used by Lifesharing

Licensing is behind on completing annual inspections. An agency in the South East was due in June. They were inspected in November. They are already scheduled for June 2016.

Quarterly ISP meetings- Only RDS attends quarterly meetings. It is required to have quarterly meetings by the AE. The majority of AEs do not require quarterly meetings.

3 Different TB tests can be used. See BHSL's Q&A for specifics. PSA blood test can be used in place of the prostate exam with documentation from the doctor.

State wide Coalition Workgroups

Training group: Trainings already developed were divided and reviewed. Each training will list the number of training hours. Links will be put on the website to each training. By the next Coalition meeting, they hope to have training required for chapter 6500 and chapter 51 up and running. They are going to add a miscellaneous category. Some training will have a quiz attached. Trainings will be able to be printed and can be used if there is no internet access.

Social Media: Facebook- try to get all your friends and family to “like” Pennsylvania Lifesharing. What else would we like to see posted? It was brought up that there should be a better description of what Lifesharing is. Suggestion they would like to see meeting dates and

reminders. Committee is going to run contest to name the newsletter and post it on Facebook. They want to continue having different contests to keep people coming back.

Newsletter: Kathy Trumbore would like stories sent to her to be used in the newsletter. She is also working on releases.

BHSL Group- Working on a survey to share concerns/good experiences with BHSL. Most importantly, we want to share suggestions for ways to improve our experience. It will be kept anonymous so people are more willing to share. The survey will be sent to all Coalition members in approx. 2 weeks on Survey Monkey. Mat Jones will be attending the statewide Coalition meeting in April.

Conference: We are looking for a place to hold the conference in central PA. Last year there were concerns about the lodging. We are also looking for a keynote speaker and other speakers. We are considering a theme of dance and celebrations.

A few agencies would like the request for conference sponsors to be sent out quickly so they can bill by end of this fiscal year. RDS requested that Keystone Lancaster bring the same pens to give away at the conference because they are so nice.

- Everyday Lives Conference - Save the Date Flyer 9/13 to 9/16
- The number of incidents not being approved has increased a lot.

Miscellaneous

No documentation is required for people who self-medicate their regular and/or PRN meds.

When providing respite or substitute care in the home, what documentation is used to prove services were provided in the Lifesharing home?

Daily logs

Med logs

Financials

Attendance sheet.

Closing round: What would make this meeting more meaningful to you?

It was agreed the meeting is good just the way it is. Very informative we get a lot of good information.

Parking Lot

roles for May meeting Agenda Builder/ Facilitator – Skills

Note taker- KHS

Hospitality- RDS

Next meeting: State-wide Coalition 4/21/16 Celebration Hall State College

Central Region 5/11/16