

COMMUNITY CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL

January 26, 2016

Present:

- Christine Pisani (Developmental Disabilities Council), Vice Chair
- Tamara Prisock (IDHW Director Designee)
- Leroy Smith (CFH Resident/Family Member Representative)
- Trinette Middlebrook, IDHW (Council Support)
- Kathie Garrett (Mental Health Advocate)
- Mary Blacker (CFH Provider Representative)
- Jim Varnadoe (RALF At-Large Administrator – DHW Appointee)
- Angela Eandi (DisAbility Rights Idaho)
- Kris Ellis (IHCA Executive Director Appointee)
- Eva Blecha (CFH Provider Representative)
- Elishia Smith (RALF Resident/Family Member Representative)
- Cathy Hart (Idaho Ombudsman for the Elderly)
- Keith Fletcher (RALF At-large Administrator)
- Pamela Estes (CFH Provider Representative) – video conference

Absent:

- Steve Lish ((RALF IHCA Administrator), Chair
- Rebecca Solders (CFH Representative)
- Bryan Elliott (RALF IHCA Administrator)
- Cathy McDougall (AARP)
- Charlene Pickering (IHCA Appointee)
- Sharol Aranda (CFH Provider Representative)

Guests:

- Jamie Simpson, IDHW
- Karen Vasterling, IDHW
- Cindy Pierce – Student Intern
- Wanda Warden – CFH Provider
- Laura, guest of Mary Blacker

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The council convened at 1:07 p.m. in Conference Room D-East of the Medicaid/Licensing & Certification Central Office located at 3232 Elder Street in Boise, Idaho. Christine Pisani was the facilitator. Ground Rules were reviewed by Tamara Prisock.

**Motion:** Adopt the January 26, 2016 agenda.

**So Moved:** Keith Fletcher

**Seconded:** Mary Blacker

**Vote:** Unanimous

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Motion: Adopt the October 27, 2015 minutes meeting as written.

So Moved: Tamara Prisock

Seconded: Leroy Smith

Vote: Unanimous

Open Forum:

Guest Wanda Warden stated that she is interested in serving on the Council. She also asked questions about self-direction plans and CFH rule changes. She mentioned that her interpretation of the rules shows a conflict between L&C and Medicaid concerning requirements for elements

of care. Tamara stated that the two divisions are aware of this and that Karen, Tamara, and Art Evans are working on this issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Membership – Christine Pisani, Acting Chair

Christine gave a summary of the upcoming expiration of 3 additional membership positions.

Position	Position Type	Member
1. RALF Administrator At-Large	Appointed by IDHW	Keith Fletcher
2. CFH Provider, Resident or Family Member	Elected by Council	Sharol Aranda
3. CFH Provider	Elected by Council	Mary Blacker
4. RALF Resident, Family Member	Elected by Council	OPEN

- Keith Fletcher is interested to continue serving and is again appointed by the Dept.
- Sharol Aranda is not interested to continue serving on the Council.
- Mary Blacker is interested to continue serving on the Council.
- The RALF Resident, Family Member position remains open.

The following folks submitted letters of interest that were distributed to the Council.

1. James Steed
2. Mark Blacker
3. Wanda Warden
4. Nicole Flonta

Christine stated that James Steed is currently living in a skilled nursing facility (SNF) in Blackfoot. He is currently seeking residence in a RALF. Kathie stated that James would enrich the council and asked the Council to consider voting for him to serve as a non-voting member representing the RALF Resident, Family Member position. We could still pursue someone to fill the open position which may be occupied by James once he becomes eligible. There was discussion to review and possibly change membership makeup in the Council bylaws next year.

Wanda Warden distributed her letter of interest to the Council members and summarized her experience as a provider. For 13 years she has been providing CFH services and has had long term residents including those under the DD waiver.

Motion: Invite James Steed to participate as a non-voting member of the Council

So Moved: Kathie Garrett

Seconded: Angie Eandi

Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Reappoint Mary to CFH Provider position

So Moved: Kathie Garrett

Seconded: Cathy Hart

Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Appoint Wanda Warden to CFH Provider/Resident position

So Moved: Kathie Garrett

Seconded: Elishia Smith
Vote: Unanimous

Kathie Garrett noted that the CFH Providers that we have in the Council are a good mix of the regional locations across our state.

Update on CFH Rules

Proposed rules include effective July 1, 2016:

1. New applications will increase from \$150 to \$175 to cover time, materials and survey.
2. The CFH program will start offering basic medication awareness course every February, May, August and November. The eight (8) hour course will change to 4-4.5 hour blocks and will cost \$60, a reduced cost compared to college offerings.
3. Dates to be determined for April/May.

CFH program is pursuing a complete rule rewrite and will schedule Negotiated Rulemaking meetings in May/June. Negotiated rulemaking meetings will allow involvement from the CFH providers. Information about the schedule will be on the CFH website and sent through email.

Tamara will present to the House of Representatives on Friday and to the Senate on Monday. It is unknown if there will be any opposition.

Assessment Subcommittee Update

Two handouts from Jamie Simpson and Tamara Prisock were given for review, IDAPA and Idaho Code

Keith noted that UAI doesn't give fair assessment and that they use another tool in conjunction. Christine wants to consider expanding to include a component for difficult behaviors like Jim and Keith include. Keith said that a targeted assessment could be used for elderly, dementia, and Alzheimer's. Jim said that there are still discharges due to behaviors due to inaccurate information from hospitals or where the resident was previously. Keith noted that tweaks are needed within the first 30 days. In Oregon there are endorsements that are a part of licensure for things like memory care, DD, Alzheimer's, dementia. The challenges are a choice because a facility can still say 'no'. Rural areas in OR are able to remain 'generalist' and get a waiver – reimbursed by client, no endorsement.

Motion: Create a subcommittee using UAI model criteria and tools in RALF
So Moved: Tamara
Seconded: Cathy
Vote: Unanimous

UAI Subcommittee members include:

Keith	Cathy	Christine
Tamara	Kathie	

Motion: Create a CFH Subcommittee
So Moved: Pam
Seconded: Elishia
Vote: Unanimous

CFH Subcommittee members include:

Eva	Kathie	Cathy	Karen Vasterling
Wanda	Christine		(not CCAC)

Annual Report | Review

Members were given copies of the Annual Report to review and then offer feedback. Christine Pisani requested a DD photo to be added. Membership agreed that the Annual Report required no more revisions.

Motion: Add a DD photo into the Annual Report.

So Moved: Eva

Seconded: Pam

Vote: Unanimous

Difficult Behaviors – Residential Treatment Model & Intro of Idaho Small Provider Association

Elishia gave presentation which was received well by membership. Q & A ensued.

- **ACTION:** Elishia will email copy of the requirements to Angie.
- **ACTION:** Trinette will email presentation to membership. (Done, 1/27/16)

Surveys Update

BSU SURVEY:

Kris Ellis gave a BSU survey update. The data is done but information from talking to the administrators is still being compiled.

IHCA SURVEY for Treasure Valley:

Of the RALF Providers:

- 27% don't accept Medicaid
- 1% accepts Medicaid off the street.
- Patients with Alzheimer's or behaviors have ONE choice IF a bed is available.

Keith stated that this is not just an Idaho issue, it is a regional one.

Motion: To adjourn this Council meeting

So Moved: Cathy

Seconded: Elishia

Vote: Unanimous

Adjourned 3:55 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2016.