

Special Meeting Notice



Autism Spectrum Disorder Task Force

Monday, March 21, 2016
10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Central Time

Individuals can participate in the meeting from any of these video conference sites:

- **Bismarck:** North Dakota Department of Human Services' Prairie Hills Plaza location, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Suite 1B – entrance is through Door #2;
- **Devils Lake:** Lake Region Human Service Center, 200 Hwy 2 W., North Conference Room;
- **Dickinson:** Regional Vocational Rehabilitation Office 1674 15th St. W., Unit E;
- **Fargo:** Southeast Human Service Center, 2624 Ninth Ave. S., Red River Room;
- **Grafton:** Life Skills and Transition Center, 701 W. Sixth St., West Conference Center;
- **Grand Forks:** Northeast Human Service Center, 151 S. Fourth St., Suite 401, Room 5E;
- **Jamestown:** South Central Human Service Center, 520 Third St. N.W., Room 317;
- **Minot:** North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway, Suite 18, Room 411 and Minot State University, Memorial Hall, 500 University Ave. W., Room 207
- **Williston:** Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Room B200

Agenda

**NOTE: There will be opportunities for public comment after each agenda item, and a designated time for new topics for public comment.*

- Introduction and welcome
 - Taskforce members present
 - Attendees in Bismarck and at polycom sites
 - Online participation (Lync for taskforce members)
 - Lunch "public comment" for others to weigh in over their lunch hour
 - **Lunch Break** at 12:30 p.m.; **Public Comment** from noon to 12:30 p.m.
- Review November meeting minutes
- Collective Impact Quality Indicators (HANDOUT)
 - Review information covered at the previous meeting
 - Shared Measurements: Maintains accountability related to goals, strategies, and measurements of success: Discussion was that in the future, we are going to need to have a comprehensive view of where each individual is at for quality and outcomes. It was suggested that we would need to consult with someone to assure we are looking at collaborating across systems to get data.
 - Shared Measurements; Group determined we are MILD in this area.
 - Progress made
 - Met with Dr. Carver, Vicki Peterson, Teresa Larsen, and Susan Gerenz (Gerry Teeven's replacement while she is out of the office)
 - See attachment for group discussion outline.
 - Listened into an Ohio call on a case study using EI and M-CHAT to implement early identification and intervention services (possibly also paring with database input, too.)

AGENDA Continued

- Department of Health update
 - Database
 - Much NEW interest from providers
 - Clinics
 - Allotment changes
- Insurance Mandate – What does it require/entail?
 - Dave Zimmerman with the Insurance Commissioner's office
 - Connect RE: having him on the agenda for a future ASD Task Force meeting
 - Sparb Collins, Director of NDPERS, on the agenda for a task force meeting.
 - Discussion about adding ASD services to the NDPERS insurance contract
 - What's the process?
 - How are costs estimated?
 - What's the role of the legislature?
 - Other?
- **Public comment**
 - Opportunity for new topics from Public Comment/Discussion from 12-12:30 p.m.
- Department of Human Services update
 - Developmental Disabilities Division
 - Allotment changes
 - Vocational Rehabilitation Division
 - Allotment changes
 - More discussion on WIOA and what that will look like for families, providers, and schools
 - Behavioral Health Division
 - 1915i developments
 - Overlap with ASD
 - Autism Services Unit
 - Waiver
 - Survey results
 - Anne Carlsen Center progress data
 - 25 slots affected by budget adjustments
 - 12 slots will still be added to the amendment to adjust for the age-out children
 - Amendment draft pending
 - 47 slots filled
 - 42 receiving services
 - 3 have aged out, but are still receiving waiver services using general funds until waiver amendment is approved by CMS.
 - 2 slots can be filled on Nov. 1
 - Waitlist of 93 children
 - State Plan Amendment
 - Draft pending
 - Met with CMS on 3/11 for input
 - Voucher Program
 - 50 applications received year-to-date
 - 43 received last year
 - 21 repeat applicants

AGENDA Continued

- Voucher Program (*continued*)
 - 42 being served; 1 will restart services making voucher slots full
 - 6 on waiting list
- Training
 - \$40k general fund allotment change (\$80k total loss)
 - Ross Greene/*Lives in the Balance* updates
 - 2 schools have backed out. Contract still stands and training dollars are locked in.
 - Success reports
 - Should we try and extend contract with obligated funds and find other schools to replace if Dr. Greene is willing?
 - Conference
 - Moving forward with a cost neutral budget and looking at partnering with outside agencies and organizations.
 - 2016 Conference in Minot
 - Wednesday, Oct. 26 through Friday, Oct. 28, 2016
- Department of Public Instruction update
 - Teresa Larsen to talk about use of seclusion and restraint
- Member updates
 - Something good going on in the appointee's area/field related to ASD
 - Something that the taskforce can possibly help with or brainstorm resources for the member's area/field related to ASD
- Next meetings: June 6, 2016; Sept. 12, 2016; Nov. 7, 2016, March 6, 2017 (Needs approval)
- Adjourn

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