# OLMSTEAD COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2019 BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES

#### 1000 AMD TILL 300PM

#### **Olmstead Mission Statement**

The mission of the Council is to develop and monitor the implementation of a plan to promote equal opportunities for people with disabilities to live, learn, work and participate in the most integrated setting in the community of their choice through West Virginia's compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## **Olmstead Vision Statement**

The vision of the Council is for all West Virginians with disabilities to live, learn, work and participate in the most integrated setting in the community of their choice.

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Elliott Birckhead, Angela Breeden, Melina Danko (For Lesley Cottrill), Ardella Cottrill, Jeannie Elkins, Joyce Floyd, Mark Fordyce, Nancy Fry, Susan Given, Roy Herzbach, Amber Hinkle, Suzanne Messenger, Teresa McDonough (For Pat Nisbet), Kim Nuckles, Steve Wiseman, Jim Womeldorff (Phone), Meredith Pride (Phone), Lynsay Frye, Carissa Davis, Renee Chapman

#### READING OF MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION STATEMENT

Lynsay Frye read the mission and vision statement

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ardella Cottrill makes motion to approve, Roy Herzbach makes a second, all in favor

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

None

#### **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE & ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Terms end December 2019

Mark will send out membership to everyone

## TAKE ME HOME WV UPDATE

## Carissa Davis gave us an update for Take me home WV

Demonstration program ended Dec 31

They are working on sustainability activities, working on online

Randy & Marus, have been working on the online,

Ester working housing initiatives, outreach and education activities for discharge planners, social workers,

Telehealth pilot, starts in March, is going to be looking at folks from the institutional settings, provides monitoring tools (BP Cups, Glucose etc some will be a call in,)
Point of the program is to keep them from coming back to hospital for chronic conditions Housing Registry, will be a list of available housing, accessibility

374 individuals transition since Feb 2013

#### **Olmstead Coordinator**

The olmstead coordinator position was suppose to be posted; Mark was asked to get a copy of the job description

## STRATEGIC PLANNING FROM OPEN FORUMS JULIE PRATT

## **Goals for Today**

- 1) Reflect on our strengths:
- 2) Review what we learned from the listening events
- 3) Brainstorm changes/additions to Olmstead Plan

We broke into small groups, and discussed the following

## What are the Olmstead Council's Strengths?

- \* What accomplishments are we most proud of?
- \* What do members contribute to the council?
- \* How do members & their organizations benefit from participating on the council?
- \* Untapped Potential

# **Accomplishments:**

- \* Passion
- \* Experience & Interest
- \* How have our actions translated into real life impacts?
- \* Diverse members help spread the word in their circles
- \* Council provides lines of communication between state agencies, providers and consumers across disability
- \* Varying levels of knowledge about Olmstead. How "public" does council need & want to be
- \* Olmstead is about much more than T&D program. Should council even be doing this?

More emphasis on advocacy for systems change

- \* Where are we failing as a state to implement Olmstead? How do we address those issues?
- \* Could Olmstead collect data across agencies about progress, gaps, impacts. and reported widely, including legislative.
- \* Members are sometimes more free to speak out then Olmstead Coordinator
- \* Clarification of roles of coordinator, council and advocacy ?? members.
- \* Concerns that things are getting worse for integrated community settings. We're losing ground.
- \* More than "least restrictive setting" \* "Most Integrated with needed supports" (In community)
- \* Opportunity better communications that convey above message
- \*Workforce Issues, who can Olmstead partner with on these kinds of problems?
- \* Respite for family/informed caregivers is desperately needed.

We were sent the West Virginia Olmstead Council Listening Events Final Report by Mark Fordyce in our email 4 Feb 2019. We went over the report. There was a lot of good information obtained thru the 12 Forums, 4 focus groups, and online survey.

#### **Work Plan Committee**

Mark Fordyce, Ann McDaniel's (nominated Mark to ask her), Joyce Floyd,

**Time frame:** at least 2 meetings by next meeting

## TRANSFER AND DIVERSION PROGRAM

\$ 192,950 diversion dollars for Sept 2018-Oct 2019
See 2018 Statistics sheet emailed by Mark Fordyce on 28 January 2019

## **BYLAWS**

Mark will send out copies of bylaws

Applications
Do they still need this?
Is the estimate still good?
Who is gonna do the follow up?

Here is the Transition and Diversion Brochure

https://www.wvdhhr.org/oig/pdf/OLMSTEAD/transition%20and%20diversion%20brochure%20-%205-11-15.pdf.

# **Legislature**

Education- Public Hearing Monday 11 Feb 2019, 9:00 am

Senate bill 307

**Creating Nondiscrimination Involuntary Denial of Treatment Act** 

Provides that treatment may not be denied to a person with a disability if they, or their spouse, or medical power of attorney, want them to have the treatment. Similar to HB 2227 and HB 2493.

HB2788- Relating to Life-sustaining treatment policies of health care facilities; "Simon's Law"

Assisted Suicide: is a concern (Not sure of bill or house number)

**Developmental Disabilities to acquire hunting licenses** 

Check the WV Legislature website for more information at <a href="http://wvlegislature.gov/">http://wvlegislature.gov/</a>

#### **WV Government:**

There is a current budget surplus in medicaid dollars, getting money allocated to appropriate groups, such as Olmstead, Idd Waiver, birth to 3, independent living, TBI has a waiting list

# **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

# **NEW BUSINESS & Announcements**

TBI Conference- Glade Springs March 6-8, 2019

# **REMAINING MEETING DATES**

2 May 2019, 1 AUG 2019, 7 Nov 2019