

Services for Adults with FASD Workgroup
Alaska FASD Partnership
July 16, 2012

I. Participants: Gayle Young, Laura and Larry Rorem, Don Levine, Art Arnold, Kate ?

II. Action Items:

- Brief introduction of Don Levine (Department of Education And Early Development) regarding Alaska Career Information System (AKCIS). At the next meeting we will provide all workgroup members with a hands-on experience with AKCIS.
- Comment: It really is necessary for people with FASD to have a Mentor or Case Manager to help with resources on an ongoing basis. Members agreed that there is a need for ongoing mentor or case management for adults with FASD.
- Gayle mentioned that she attended the Family Camp at Whitecrow Village, Canada with Dr. Sugai. The experience was rich and exciting and yielded a strong set of information. (People always need a mentor. Important to develop a strong support group. Cannot walk away from people who need assistance. Canada is reporting that adults with FASD have significant cognitive decline beginning in the 30-40 year age range.)
- Participants reviewed EXCEL spreadsheet with listing of nearly 100 FASD resources. This list will be added to an Alaska FASD Resource Directory being prepared by the Partnership and the Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (ABADA) and Alaska Mental Health Board (AMHB). Everyone was interested in the existing "Alaska Behavioral Health Resource Guide" published by the ABADA and AMHB. In order to access the "Behavior Health: Resource Guide" go to:
<http://hss.state.ak.us/abada/pdf/200804resourceguide.pdf>
- REMINDER TO ALL PARTICIPANTS. Please look over the EXCEL sheet once more for accuracy in reporting the items that you provided. Contact Art at 907-465-6931 or email Art.Arnold@alaska.gov with changes or corrections, additions or deletions.

III. Next Meeting: August 21, at 9:00am. The entire meeting with focus on access and use of the AKCIS. Be next to computer to be able to access the AKCIS website and materials. Don Levine will lead the meeting.