



GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

FASD Workgroup

LOCATION

Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education
3601 C Street, Suite 740
Anchorage, Alaska

August 5, 2014
3-4:30pm

Attendees:

Aileen McInnis, Art Delaune, Wendy Barrett, Anna Attla, Travis Hedwig, Trish Smith, Deb Vause, Vicki Tinker, Ric Nelson, Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus (Chair), Christie Reinhardt (Staff)

CALL TO ORDER

Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Christie.

WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

Jeanne welcomed the group.

OLD BUSINESS

- **DD Eligibility:**
The Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Registration and Review (IDRR) Workgroup had its first meeting in June. Jeanne is now a part of this group as well as Art Delaune. The purpose of the Workgroup is to review the waitlist (IDRR) and eligibility process to see if it can be more streamlined and/or if it needs updating. This is anticipated to be a one-two year project.
- **Service Home:**
 - FASD Partnership Steering Committee update – Teri Tibbett reported. Included that Dr. Meyers consults for the Free Youth Medication

Consultation Line that is for children and adults. Has been contracted with DBH Public Info office. Maybe he could present with this group?

- **Educational Services:**
 - SESA is doing an online survey with principals and special education teachers but they don't know that they are required to take it.
 - There was a meeting of the Special Education Service Agency (SESA) board on Tomorrow there is a district-wide in-service that Jeanne is going to.
 - End of July FASD 101 presentation at the Barrow hospital for nursing staff.
 - Youth transition meeting. Eliza Jameson – Youth Group restated. AYFN.
 - Katie Wheeler at Tapestry Program, birth to life services.

- **Birth through Life Supports, Accommodations and Services:**
 - FASD awareness day planning. In Juneau, there is a statewide awareness campaign putting table tents in restaurants. Women get free non-alcoholic drinks if pregnant. Volunteers in the region and around the state.
 - FASD Into Action Training – 8 weeks- for parents, providers, youth. It is statewide.

- a. **Prevention of Secondary Disabilities:**
 - Travis talked about research on IDD strategies.

- **Self-Advocacy**
 - Art reported that Sept 9 there are disability advocacy groups meeting.
 - Talked about the possibility of introducing HB 232, a bill to allow for disability ID cards, or a marker on the state ID cards. The Autism society of America has ID card that people can print and carry. This bill also includes a mandatory training component for law enforcement.
 - (SAFA Chapter) CHD and 3 or 4 others have offered grant money, including Trust finds. Heather met a counselor for Bryn Mwr.
 - Teri reported progress on the SE Alaska conference in Feb or March. A collaboration with Yukon territory and the SE. She also reported that FASD family camp is scheduled for the week of Feb 2nd.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

What are some action items for raising awareness on FASD and reducing the stigma (i.e. dropping off brochures, etc.)?

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm, with the next meeting to be held the first Tuesday in September.