

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Programs and Services

October 9, 2013

MINUTES

PRESENT

Ann Seisa, Chair
Oscar Carvajal
Karla Garcia
Julie Gaona
Howard McBroom
Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso
Michiko Wilkins

STAFF

Melinda Sullivan
Erin Broughton-Rodriguez

NOT PRESENT

Marjorie Heller
Josephine Ko

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Seisa at 10:09 AM. Mr. Oscar Carvajal, Director of Optima Services, introduced himself and was welcomed as a new member of the committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of July 10, 2013 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

PERFORMANCE PLAN FOR 2014 & COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Ms. Sullivan reminded the committee that the Board of Directors has assigned it the responsibility of reviewing and monitoring the performance plan. She reported that the performance plan was presented at four community meetings in September. There were no changes or recommendations from the community. Ms. Sullivan reported that after the plan goes to the board, it will be sent to DDS for final approval.

The Committee discussed the NPI waiting list and the use of the word “minimize” under Goal 9.

Ms. Trevizo-Reinoso moved to approve the performance plan and recommend it to the Board. Ms. Garcia-Diaz seconded it and it was approved by consensus.

BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION WORKSHOP EVALUATION

Ms. Erin Broughton-Rodriguez, autism coordinator, explained that the Behavior Workshop consists of six 2-hour sessions. There are two service providers who conduct the workshops. This evaluation was used to determine if parents received a positive outcome from attending the workshops. Parents who took the workshops were asked to complete pre and post surveys. Additionally, the questionnaires were provided in both English and Spanish. Over 70 surveys were analyzed and demonstrate that parents, regardless of language, report improved competency as a result of participating in the behavior workshop series.

Ms. Broughton-Rodriguez also reported that the Autism Team is working to develop an online training version as well. Discussion followed.

The Committee agreed that it was very rewarding to see these positive results.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Ms. Sullivan presented the Zero Tolerance policy that was recently approved by the Board of Directors. Having such a policy is now part of the contract between regional centers and the State. Ms. Sullivan stated that this policy will be available on the Center's website in the near future. She also discussed that all service providers must have a policy as well, so the Center is developing a template for their use if they don't already have such a policy

The Committee recommended that this policy should be part of the referral packet when a client is moved from a hospital to a skilled nursing facility (SNF), to ensure that the SNF understands the regional center's expectations.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

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