Meeting of the Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee May 1, 2018

Present: C. Cerro, C. Kannegiser, K. Heunemann, M. Beyer, C. Lyons, C. Hill, J. Calandra, M. Anneling, J. Beebe, S. Traver, S. Ball, D. Rowell, C. Bessen, H. Adams-Wendell

Staff: H. Carlson, L. Wright, C. Lawrence

Agenda Item	Outcome	Action
Introductions	Introductions were made around the table.	Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by H. Carlson
Support-Link Presentation	C. Kannegiser and C. Cerro gave us an overview and discussed their program. Support-Link assists individuals with disabilities in achieving their highest potential by connecting them to desired and necessary community supports. They offer Fiscal Intermediary Services including Compact Respite, SEMP, IVDS, OTPS, and Live in Care Giver services. Each person receiving services has funding attached to them. They also provide service coordination through OPWDD and through the nursing home transition waiver and TBI waiver. They provide counseling services, living skills training and environmental modifications and costs. They provide services to individuals in nine counties that include Warren, Washington, Essex, Clinton and Hamilton Counties. Their offices are located at 383 Bay Road, Queensbury. For more information, please call (518) 798-2972 or visit their Facebook page.	N/A
People First Care Coordination	H. Carlson started the discussion stating there are 3 Care Coordination Organizations serving Warren and Washington Counties; Care Design NY, Tri County Care, and LIFEPlan. M. Beyer continued stating letters have gone out from the Central Office to the current MSC's to start to work on the enrollment and consent forms to CCO's with the individuals; This has to be done by June 30 th . If the MSC doesn't want to participate they don't have to but the individual will be reassigned. C. Lyons added that most of the MCS's have accepted the package to become Care Coordinator.	N/A

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NY START	J. Calandra and C. Hill overviewed and discussed the NY START Program. It is a community-based OPWDD program that offers crisis prevention and response services to individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities and complex behavioral health needs as well as to their families and those who provide support. They emphasize the development of cross systems relationships, trainings and education, as well as crisis prevention and response supports. Its goals include helping individuals remain in their homes and communities, and enhancing their opportunities for leading healthy, successful and richer lives. Referrals are accepted from individuals, families, service providers (I/DD & mental health), hospitals, psychiatric centers and other crisis services for individuals age 6 and over who have an intellectual/developmental disability and complex behavioral health needs with an OPWDD eligibility determination. They are fully operational in Western New York, Finger Lakes, Capital District, Taconic and Hudson Valley regions. Teams in Long Island and Central New York will become available as the statewide implementation continues. Additional information can be found online at www.opwdd.ny.gov/ny-start/home	N/A
2018- 2019 NYS Executive Budget	R. York provided in the packets a general overview of the enacted budget from the Conference of Local Mental Hygiene	N/A
2019 Local Government Plan Cycle/ Review of DD Priority Outcomes	Directors (CLMHD). The 2018 Local Services planning process has begun and is due to the State June 1st, however we will likely be asking for an extension until mid-June so the Community Services Board can have the opportunity to review and approve it.	N/A
CON Requests	H. Carlson provided a handout outlining the CON requests and approvals for CWI, Support-Link, Inc, Capital District DDSO and AIM. D. Rowell stated the closure of programs and sites for CWI are due to a steady decline in capacity focused more on employment services than day habilitation.	N/A

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Agency Updates	Those in attendance were given the opportunity to give updates pertaining to their agency.	N/A
AIM	C. Lyons stated they are building a new wing to their administration offices and opening a new IRA in Ballston Spa soon. Although mostly serving the southern areas they operate both Supervised and Supported IRAs in Warren and Washington Counties.	
Prospect Center	K. Heunemann updated us on staffing changes and informed us that their school programs are full. They were approved for a Grant through the Dormitory Authority to construct a 6 bed Respite site, but will need to apply for operating funds.	
ARC	S. Traver stated things are stable. New item of business is to expand the Bottle Return program to selling Just Water soon.	
CWI	D. Rowell stated the work center closed as of March 31 st . The approximate 35 people retired, found new employment, found a new vocational group or entered into part-time day habilitation programs. She also promoted Just a Buck.	
Next Meeting	The next Developmental Disabilities Meeting is scheduled for September 4, 2018 @ 1pm, at 230 Maple St, Glens Falls.	Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm

Minutes respectively submitted by Crystal Lawrence