

Idaho Caregiver Alliance
Quarterly Meeting, 1:00 – 4:00; 2/23/17

Participants

Alicia Anderson, Center for the Study of Aging (CSA)	Marilyn Sword, ICA
Cathy McDougal, AARP Idaho	Mike Berlin, Idaho Alzheimer's Planning Group (IAPG)
Cheryl Johnston	Mike Hirschi, Area 5 AAA
Courtney Keith , 211 Careline	Monique Barber, Care Plus, Blue Cross
Diane Ronayne, Boise at Home	Morgan Nield, Area 6 AAA
Diewke Disney-Spencer, Id DHW, Public Hlth	Pam Oliason, ICOA
Elaina Donohoe, Pacific Source	Pam Ziegenfuss , Certified Family Home provider
Gina Pannell, Central SHIP Regional Collaborative	Rachel Blanton, SW SHIP Regional Collaborative
Jen Griffis, Id Behavioral Health Advisory Council	Rhonda D'Amico, SE Id Regional Collaborative
Judy Taylor, Idaho Commission on Aging (ICOA)	Sarah Toevs, CSA
Julie Christensen, Area 2 AAA	Sarah Tueller, Idaho Parents Unlimited (IPUL)
Karen Clark, SHIBA, new Medicare classes	Stephanie Hoffman, Id DHW, Beh Hlth
Karen Kouba , HomeWatch Caregivers	Steve Millward, Id DHW, Certified Family Home
Kathleen Giuntoli, Qualis	Tammy Ray, Id DHW, Home Choice
Kathleen McPherson	Tiffany Stees, CSA
Kelle Sweeney, Legacy Corps	Valerie Shell, Area 3 AAA

Announcements

- Welcome to Judy Taylor, new Administrator for ICOA; Judy brings experience in health care and as a family caregiver
- Kelle Sweeney has accepted a full-time position with Jannus Inc and will be stepping off the ICA Leadership Team
- Tami Rae needs a volunteer to serve on Personal Assistance Oversight Committee
- Karen Clark announced new Medicare classes
- Idaho Respite Summit planned for Twin Falls in July 2017

ICA Legislative Update- Marilyn Sword

House Concurrent Resolution 3 passed by both House and Senate chambers; Resolution recognizes value of family caregivers and supports the ICA Family Caregiver Action Plan

Call to Action: members asked to identify opportunities for ICA to present Action Plan and Plan for Sustainability; contact Sarah Toevs, stoevs@boisestate.edu

Behavioral Health Planning Council -Jen Griffis, jengriffis@gmail.com

HB 43 Children Mental Health – extension of services to 300% of poverty

Region 2: working on developing a rural Crisis Center stabilization unit; to be connected with hospitals for a crisis stabilization room; region-wide treatment model that enables social worker and other supports to get involved early; Region 2 – looking at creative respite models

Region 6 does not have a parent or caregiver on regional board

Region 7 university model using a group model for respite;

Call to Action: Contact Jen Griffis for more information about opportunity to participate

Increased need for parent voice and experiences; parent network being developed by Id DHW, Behavioral Health

- Looking for individuals who have experience with the system
- Provide parent voice and a connection to community – info and feedback exchange Federation is the backbone)

Call to Action: Contact Pat Martell with Id DHW, Behavioral Health for more information

Call to Action: Important to recognize that caregivers may need support as a volunteer - caregiving is episodic and may hamper ability to engage on a consistent basis

SW regional collaborative, Rachel Blanton, Rachel.Blanton@phd3.idaho.gov

Enhancing behavioral health network: enhance communication between providers; providing training between person-centered medical home and behavioral health; Co-management practice training – early April; training on information sharing designed for providers

Call to Action: Parents and caregivers need to be informed of parameters of information sharing and informing advocate of the parameter- Kathy Giuntoli and Sarah Toevs will work with Rachel

Care coordination: baseline training on care coordination; Jayne Josephson training on care coordination; build relationships between coordinators – networking sessions; password protected website between care coordinators to facilitate hand-off between coordinators

Call to Action: 2-1-1 Careline and Navigators need to be included in care coordination training – Courtney Keith is contact, courtney.keith@dhw.idaho.gov

SE Idaho regional collaborative, Rhonda D'Amico, rdamico@siph.idaho.gov

Regional suicide prevention: suicide prevention symposium – Sept 14, training will be delivered via web (ISU); rural primary care focus; screening and referral to minimize unnecessary referrals; will training on Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale; Collaborative is also implementing ChildSafe program with law enforcement (gun locks, ed)

Call to Action: Contact Rhonda if you'd like to get involved in the regional collaborative in SE Idaho

Central regional collaborative, Gina Pannell, GPannell@cdhd.idaho.gov

Caregiver Integration Project: activities will provide learning session to SHIP clinics in Ada, Elmore, Valley Cty, and CHEMS (Donnelly Fire); focus on role of the caregiver, impact on caregiver; screening of caregivers and referral process – to a community partner for resources; tracking of referral, caregiver survey for impact and partner survey; Marilyn Sword will facilitate learning sessions

Call to Action: Contact Marilyn Sword, frontiergroupidaho@gmail.com, for more information about the Caregiver Integration Project

Powerful Tools for Caregivers, Kelle Sweeney

Recognition of Donation of \$3000 from D Bleymeier to Idaho PTC distributed to agencies actively engaged in PTC delivery

Report from AAA Region 2: Julie Christensen connected with U of I Extension Agency – providing 2 classes for adults; interest expressed by Nez Perce tribe (need to complete cultural awareness training prior to delivery)

Syringa Hospital: Jen Griffis – 3 classes have been offered; hospital is experiencing benefit and planning to support program

Report from AAA Region 5: Mike Hirschi delivered 2 classes in Pocatello; working to deliver in Bear Lake with hospital and Caregiver Coordinator at Fort Hall

Report from AAA Region 6: Morgan Nield delivered 2 classes (1 for children, 1 for adults); 1 class in the spring; 2 individuals interested in becoming master trainers

Ideas for how to promote PTC were discussed: Foster Parents, Pete Peterson (DD advocate), KinCare providers/Navigators (Courtney Keith); announcement through Certified Family Home network (Steve Millward); ICA Facebook page

Call to Action: contact Pam Oliason for information about PTC class offerings; Steve Millward will be added to ICA Facebook admin to facilitate posting

2-1-1-Careline, , Kelle Sweeney and Courtney Keith

Careline now has a link to Caregiver and Respite Resources. The final updating of the Careline is scheduled to be complete in March. Idaho will be providing Foster Care Training – this could present an opportunity to increase number of respite providers and enhance skills.

Call to Action: All ICA members encouraged to visit the 2-1-1-Careline site and provide feedback to Courtney and team – what works, what’s missing, etc. courtney.keith@dhw.idaho.gov

Call to Action: Courtney will send details on training when dates and locations are confirmed.

ICA Weekly Policy Updates

Tiffany Stees, MSW student and CSA Intern provided background the Legislative Weekly Update. She distributed a short survey designed to gather input on reader satisfaction. Findings will be used to enhance Updates and shared with future interns.

Call to Action: Tiffany welcomes additional feedback, tiffenystees.policyintern@gmail.com

Policy AARP Idaho Caregiver Guide, Cathy McDougal

Cathy McDougal distributed guide and will send copies, contact - cmcdougall@aarp.org

Cathy will work with 2-1-1 Careline to link resources; suggestions for distribution include: Caregivers, agencies, law enforcement, emergency services, policy makers;

Call to Action: Cathy will work with 2-1-1 Careline to link resources; Send feedback to Cathy on updates to Guide

Caregiver Respite and Support Taskforce, Pam Oliason

Pam Oliason will schedule a Taskforce meeting in April. Individuals identified/recommended for taskforce include: Tammy Ray, James Turner (LINC), Stephen Graci, Steve Millward (CFH), Courtney Keith (Kincare), Kelle Sweeney (Legacy Corps), Kathleen Giuntoli (Qualis), Kathleen McPherson (Id DHW District 2) ; AmeriCorp program (Serve Idaho), work force development, Sarah (IPUL); Karen Kouba (Homewatch)

Call to Action: Contact Pam if you’re interested in participating on the Caregiver Respite and Support Taskforce

Participants finally allowed to take a break and enjoy refreshments. Meeting was adjourned!

Next Alliance Meeting: Thursday, June 29, 2017 (1-4 pm)