



Aging Services Advisory Council

Minutes

Thursday, August 2, 2018, 3-5pm

ADVSD Mid County Office. 1st Floor Conf Rm B

10615 SE Cherry Blossom Drive, Portland 97216

Co-Facilitators: Betty Cox & Nicole Wirth

Agenda Item	Purpose	Lead	Next Steps and Action Items
Housekeeping	Attendees: Betty Cox, Bill Richard, JoAnn Herrigel, Nicole Wirth, Rai McKenzie, Semion Gurvich, Steve Weiss, Donna Cox, Interpreter, Staff Rebecca Miller & Cheri Becerra, Speakers Jody Michaelson & Mark Nishi Strattner, Miriam intern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes ok by consensus. ● Agenda approved 		
Welcome - Visual Speak Cards	Build relationship and discuss client-choice	Betty Cox	Relationship Building with visual speak cards.
ASAC meeting check-in	Identify what's working well about ASAC meeting structure and what course corrections might be needed	Nicole Wirth	Steve: More involvement legislation and DCHS budget. JoAnne: More back story on issues we are working on. Bill: More connection than just the six scheduled meetings. Nicole: Maybe meet offsite in-between.
Public comment and announcements	Hold space for public to address ASAC or for members to share other information	Betty Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● JoAnne: Elders in Action had an event and two of our members showed up. They really enjoyed it. ● Semion: Would like to know if anyone would like to advertise in the slavic newsletter. He handed out his cards so he could be contacted. ● Aging Well conference is October 20th it is free and has great workshops and speakers. It will be in Troutdale. Talk to Rebecca if you have question or would like to go.

<p>ADVSD update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mgmt update ● ADVSD equity assessment ● 04ad training - Sept 20 ● Member reimbursement & timekeeping 	<p>Inform and update</p>	<p>Nicole Wirth - Rebecca</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Legislative policy option packages being looked at. ● Sept 20th Nicole Palmateer Hazelbaker, our lobbyist from O4AD, is coming to do a presentation for our members. This will take place at Urban League on MLK JR Blvd site. ● Aug 30th legislative tours being scheduled, Rebecca will be sending out info soon. ● Please complete volunteers report monthly and turn into Rebecca or Cheri. Also if you have mileage or bus pass purchases for reimbursement please turn in paperwork to Cheri. She will be sending out an email with the forms. ● Rebecca sent out letter for Trimet house bill 2017 concerning payroll tax. We need more advocacy on this. Please see link below and contact Rebecca if you are going to attend. We want to be effective in our messaging. https://trimet.org/meetings/hb2017/index.htm
<p>Guests: Jody Michaelson, Transition & Diversion Mark Nishi-Strattner, Public</p>	<p>Discuss client choice in ADVSD programs</p>	<p>Betty Cox</p>	<p>Jody introduced Miriam who was an intern with the college to work program and now is temping with the county this summer. Gave a bit of info about that program.</p> <p>Jody is the program manager for Transition and Diversion at the county. This program serves the persons who land in nursing homes in Multnomah County. Their job is to help with the transition into and out of nursing</p>

Guardian

facilities. They also have the option to stay in the nursing facilities. They explain and help them make those decisions. Choice and safety are the big things they look at. They coordinate moves for about 45-50 folks a month. They help with ramps, rails, etc. in homes when needed. 30% of their clients go home, and they can help with setup of Home Care Workers. 24% of the clients never need help again. 10% go into assisted living or other care facilities. 20% of the client's move into Adult Care Homes which house up to 5 clients in private homes. This program works very hard to get folks into the living situation they want. Special needs homes are also available (weight, Parkinson, neurological etc.). This is a Medicaid service. They also refer when appropriate. Bill commented that it would be nice to put more about this program on ARDC website. The 3 links below are great resources for this program:

<https://www.medicare.gov/what-medicare-covers/part-a/choose-nursing-home-step-2.html>

https://adrcoforegon.org/consite/listing_results.php?listingid=28195&classLati=45.515031&classLong=-122.5536048&lat=45.5145659&long=-122.58632110000002

<https://www3.multco.us/AdultCareOptions/>

Jody says she wants to make sure folks are advocates for themselves. She

wants to makes sure that we seek out any services available to help. Jody is also very open to feedback for improvement. There was a question to Jody about rules changing for adult care homes, she does not work in the department that deals with this. She thinks that they are taking the safety and needs of these clients very seriously.

She also said they can refer ove- income people to other agencies when needed. Jody also told us they get the contractors for work in homes through vetted people through the state.

Mark is a Program Supervisor for Public Guardian & Conservator Program that serves adults in Multnomah County. You do not do not have to be a client of DCHS to qualify for this program. Referrals come from Case Managers, hospitals, families etc. Funding comes from a general fund for the county. The focus is on folks who do not have the money to pay for this service and have no family to do this for them.

Criteria: Cognitively incapacitated and a judge makes this decision. At this time about 160 clients are being served in this program. They are usually served for the rest of their lives. There are about 20-25 new cases petitioned each year. There are many reasons why these clients need to be served. Court grants the public guardian the rights to make health care decisions, where they live and how to structure finances. The public guardian needs to know their clients so they can make the best decisions for them. They must take into account religious, cultural, background etc. before making decisions. If the clients are able, they are involved in these decisions. The public guardians are nationally certified. There are

			<p>volunteers that help with shopping, visits, etc. At this time there are 7 guardians who can make decisions. They have a case load of about 35 clients. There is always someone on call. 5 deputies run all the cases. If there are medical decisions to be made they involve family, doctors, and ethics consults if needed.</p> <p>Mark wants us to know they serve very vulnerable people. These people need our help and protection. He believe public guardian is a valuable service. Mark also told us when a private fiduciary is paid the fees must be approved by the court. Marks unit also has a holiday event where they deliver gifts to their client.</p>
Collaboration with other ADVSD advisory councils	Discussion, initial planning	Nicole Wirth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Disability Advisory Service Council – DSAC meets monthly ● Multicultural Action Committee or MAC – looks at equity in our services – they are our community partners. They meet quarterly. ● Steve would like to plan meeting to collaborate goals on legislative issues. ● JoAnne would like to talk with MAC and DSAC about the top five issues where there are gaps in services and also legislative issues. ● Rebecca suggested hearing from our providers but also leaders in DCHS about how we hit our goals.
Meeting debrief	Review items for clarity and accountability	Betty Cox	✓
Next meeting	Confirm date, agenda items and location for	Nicole Wirth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plan meetings with other groups about December elections etc.

steps	October meeting		<p>Rebecca and I will set a date between Thanksgiving and mid Dec for this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Steve would like to see if the Economic Dignity group would like to collaborate with our two groups on poverty. There will be a 2019 Update on Report on Poverty. Rebecca will take the issue of exploring collaboration with respect to 2019 poverty with our DSAC and ASAC. ● Next meeting could be at Urban League... ● Legislative Issues ● Sub committees ● Plan December multi groups meeting ● Next meeting is Disability Awareness month. ● Any new members ● Rai would like to see a speaker about housing issues especially Homeless Seniors. Joint office or NW Pilot Project. Lee or Erin may be able speak to this also.
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Important dates:

September 20: Advocacy training with 04ad, Nicole Palmateer, 12-1:30pm, Multnomah Building, 4th Floor, Oak Conference Room

October 4: ASAC, 3-5pm, Location TBD

December 6: ASAC, 3-5pm, Location TBD