

NJSNCC 2016 Q3 Meeting- September 22, 2016

Location: DCF Training Center, New Brunswick

Attendees:

Zenaida Steinhauer (NJ Department of Health)
Andrea O'Neal (NJ Department of Children and Families)
Nancy Scotto-Rosato (NJ Department of Health)
Jagdish Vasudev (United Way)
Jeanne McMahon (Statewide Parent Advocacy Network)
Shellyann Dacres (The Boggs Center)
Shakira Linzey (Central Jersey Family Health Consortium)
Stephanie Paneca-Navarro (Amerigroup)
Carolyn Hayer (Statewide Parent Advocacy Network)
Bob Like (Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School)
Nick Montalto (Diversity Dynamics, LLC)
Celia Grace Murnock (Icahn School of Medicine, Mount Sinai)
Aviva Woog (Wellcare)*

*attended via phone

Introduction

Dr. Like welcomed new members and guests attending the NJSNCC Quarterly meeting and members introduced themselves.

Professional Development Activity:

1:15pm – 1:45pm – Introduction to “business speed dating” by Stephanie Paneca-Navarro and Jag Vasudev followed by discussion of its unique benefits as compared to traditional networking. Aviva shared a similar resource, Community Network Associations, which is a similar resource designed for social service agencies. The ideas presented were very well received, and Celia brought up the prospect of having networking- with an emphasis on the business speed-dating model- play a large role in next year’s conference.

Workgroup Updates:

Professional Development

Celia successfully recruited moderators for all 8 conference workshops and reviewed/confirmed 11/14 deadline for submission of presentations. Reminder email will be sent to all presenters in mid-October.

Nancy updated the group on the registration numbers for Mike Allora's upcoming webinar on culturally competent fire and emergency services (October 25th) and solicited suggestions for broadening outreach; the group also discussed potential future webinar ideas for spring 2017.

Zenaida informed the group that the CNE process is moving along but that there may be an additional fee associated with late filing; if the CNE application is successful (which Ellen has assured us is the most likely outcome), the conference will be worth 5.25 CNEs. For social workers, it will be worth 4 CEUs because the poster session will not be eligible for credits. Bob Like inquired as to current outreach efforts to engage nursing and social work professionals in light of the tremendous effort and fairly significant cost of applying for continuing education credits. Several ideas were discussed and members will be reaching out to their respective networks in order to outreach relevant professionals.

Carolyn Hayer provided an update on conference logistics, including organizing a walk-through for interested and available committee members to take place within the next several weeks. Carolyn reports that approximately 25 individuals have registered for the conference, which is the expected number around this time. The issue of easels for posters was raised and it appears that the committee should be able to supply sufficient easels without needing to purchase additional. Finally, Carolyn shared the printed version of the program brochure and there was discussion of logo positioning on printed materials in light of CNE regulations as well as exhibitor/sponsor compliance with same.

Strategic Communications

Nick Montalto reported on the NJSNCC website redesign, including the addition of separate sections for linguistic competence and official cultural competence standards (including but not limited to CLAS standards) as well as updated mission, history and personnel sections. Content is due to Nick by October 7th in order to get all materials to the developer. The committee expects all updates to be complete and the new website to be ready for launch by the end of 2016.

Recruitment and Social Capital Development

Stephanie Paneca-Navarro discussed plans for transitioning out of her role as workgroup chair and various options for identifying a replacement were discussed, including the prospect of absorbing the workgroup into existing groups, which is not a likely next step. Stephanie also suggested a stronger and more assertive presence at this year's conference, where she will still be participating in recruitment efforts. The group considered the pros and cons of offering variable levels of involvement up front to potential new members. It was decided that making potentials aware of the openings for work group leaders and members, as well as leadership council members (for which there are currently 5 open spots) would be a potentially useful way to identify committed and engaged participants.

The group decided to postpone the 4th quarter general meeting until early 2017 given scheduling difficulties through the end of 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm. The next Quarterly meeting will take place on January 12th, from 12:30-3:30

Submitted by: Celia Grace Murnock