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Older Adult Services Advisory Committee Nursing Home Conversion Work Group

Date: February 24, 2009

Location: Illinois Health Care Association, Springfield

Attending: Myrtle Klauer; John Eckert, Steve Wolf, Kevin Taylor, Matt Hartman, Dwight Miller, Lester Roberts, Jason Speaks, Sally, Scott Musser. **Phone:** Phyllis Mitzen, Wendy Thornton, Jan Cichowlas, Bill Dart, Renne Razo, Debbie Hartshorne, Petie Hunter. **Guests:** Kelly Cunningham, Dept. of Healthcare & Family Services (phone)

The meeting was called to order by at 10:40 a.m. Co-chairs Klauer and Mitzen. New members were welcomed and introductions were made.

Minutes Approval: A motion was made by Wolf to approve the minutes of the November, 2008 meeting; seconded by Musser. There being no additions or corrections the minutes were approved as submitted.

Thornton brought up that the last minutes posted on the Illinois Department on Aging (IDoA)/OASAC webpage from the committee are the ones for July, 2008.

Legislative Updates:

Hartman discussed how SB 314 (Martinez) and HB 877 (Lang) — introduced by the Health Care Council of Illinois (HCCI) — would impact conversion committee. Bills seek clarification across two acts and includes wording that NH conversion committee should work with the Health Facilities Planning Board (HFPB) to look at appropriate services in all local townships. Cichowlas noted that IDoA doesn't want administrative mandates to be charged to a sub-committee; should be charged to the formal OASAC. Hartman noted this legislation would give this committee "life" and will be wrapped into the task force being created to monitor this. Ultimate language will come out of the task force. He noted that this bill makes our recommendations valid — bed need methodology and that legislation would clarify that the HFPB is responsible for this methodology. Mitzen noted that recommendations for bed conversion in our objectives were required under the Older Adults Services Act (OASA) and that the full OASAC created the sub-committee to address the areas related to bed conversions. Wolf noted that the Illinois Register published on Friday the adopted rules for the HFPB which defines what they are required to look at as far as need. Robertson added that these new rules came out of the task force formed last April. Petrone noted that the bill language should be amended to read "OASAC committee" not "bed conversion sub-committee."

Respite Report:

Petrone discussed the Respite care survey analysis conducted of Area Agency on Aging (AAA) usage by Planning and Service Area (PSA). She looked at three definitions: Medicare (in NH); Older American's Act (in-home care); and Nursing Home Care Act (needs to be researched). Really the

definition is a reimbursement definition — what they will pay for. Wolf asked that we reference the counties involved in each PSA. Utilizing the IDoA Flexible Senior Services (FSS) funds (\$2.0 mil) that are distributed by the AAAs to Case coordination Units (CCUs) in their PSAs, it was noted that 37 people received Respite through FSS, using only 1% of the total budget. AAAs also noted Respite allocated under their other gap filling activities, including federal administration on Aging (AoA) Title III-B and III-C. Hartshorne noted that in their PSA they primarily use FSS funds to purchase items such as lift chairs, bath benches, and adaptations to home. She noted they use Respite for those seniors who are over assets that don't want to pay privately for this care. Mitzen noted the need to look at discrepancies in the provision of Respite care and how it's being done, and to look at regulatory issues. Many people pay privately for Respite care and don't use this funding source.

ACTION ITEM: Further discussion followed, and it was agreed that Petrone, Razo and Eckert continue to look at this issue and follow-up with other OASAC committees.

Single-Room Occupancy Pilot:

Hartman noted that HCCI had filed a vehicle bill HB1188 (M. Smith) to get this introduced. Proposed language will be written and shared with the committee.

ACTION ITEM: Hartman, Musser, Robertson, Speaks, Dart, and Taylor will work on getting the rate freeze lifted and develop the pilot. Mitzen noted that we need a plan and must bring it to OASAC for discussion. Need to hit different areas within the State. Need to change the rates (HFS can change the rate under the Conversion Program). Taylor will talk with the Pilot sub-committee and hammer out the exact wording and will e-mail to workgroup. Full committee can review and approve. Upon approval, Eckert will e-mail to the OASAC executive committee to get their input before submitting as a bill proposal. Group will meet at HCCI on Friday afternoon, Phyllis will call in.

Health Facilities Planning Board Survey of Services:

Taylor discussed the results of the survey with HFPB. The were broken out by the 13 Area Agency on Aging, Planning and Service Areas (PSAs). He noted that the results are not as clean as he would like, but that the design allowed for some of the answers to be too open-ended and redundant in some instances. Noted that Sec. I and Sec. II were problematic; (i.e.; N/A, a number, or "no" were entered). Noted the problem when people answered YES: Kevin entered "1" because they had service, but no indication of how often. Taylor walked the committee through the entire spreadsheet explained by PSA, noting that there was no field for #12 which is Chicago. He will review data and see if this is really missing or if it wasn't picked up. Sec. III: Low numbers. Home delivered meals have to be pieced out because the cost can't be included in cost reports. P.A. will also not reimburse for costs for individuals in facility. Have to be able to "back out" costs. The more you do the more you have to do this. Hartshorne noted that in the Rockford area PSA #1, she only knows of two delivered meals and one adult day care. Sec VI is also a problem. – Quincy area. Petrone noted the AAA is very active with Home Delivered Meals. Kevin will circulate a couple by region and we can ask the facility for the validity of the date. Kevin will send out and we should check out.

Need to do validity check and drill down. Cunningham and Dart will get the list from Taylor of those who said they had SLFs and they'll check it out.

ACTION ITEMS: The committee needs to provide a report back to the facilities that completed the survey, with a disclaimer that we can't verify the raw data. Taylor will contact HFPB to let

them know we are paring down the questionnaire to #3 and respite care, hospice (Do you offer it; is there a need; list barriers cost, regulation, space, check boxes). Will limit to one page; we'll get better overall responses. Add: would they be interested in doing single-room occupancy if there was a change in rate to make this happen?

1. Clean up data - Kevin
2. Create a narrative of this data to make sense of it – Kevin
3. Committee examine data and get back to Kevin r/t
 - a. Community nutrition site
 - b. Adult Day Services
 - i. Numbers don't jive
 - ii. Check with AAAs r/t this service
 - c. Alzheimer's Day Services
 - d. Out-Patient Dialysis/wound care
4. Identify the flaws so we can follow-up
5. Determine what the "Other Services" are #40
 - a. Kevin to research and do statewide summary
6. What else needs to be massaged r/t this raw data
7. Kevin: less data collected the better- pare down the questions
 - a. Focus on Item # 3 – just what we need to fulfill our goals
 - b. Make directions concise and very clear
 - c. Limit to one page
 - d. No open-ended questions – check boxes a., b., c., Yes, No
8. Check the need in each "community"
9. Develop 3 pilots throughout the state in relation to available needs analysis
10. Needs assessment around the state (AAAs?)
11. #12 and #13 got merged together (Kevin pretty sure) so he'll break out and verify this is the case.

We only have one piece of the pie. Need to be able to cross reference data from AAAs.

Nutrition site in area 13 Kevin will look up who is doing nutrition site. Also area 8.

Add: "Do you mind if we contact you for clarification of data?" to next questionnaire.

Pages 6 & 7 – Myrtle will do presentation r/t date on Pioneer practices from report

- a) Need to do call for presentation tonight for IPC

Kevin will present analysis of data to OASAC Exec committee

Will call Bob Green r/t data and questionnaire.

Will ask him to rejoin our committee

Steve Wolf submitted changes to page 1 of the objectives. Phyllis will forward to Jan to make changes to report for legislature.

Myrtle Klaur, Phyllis Mitzen and John Eckert will meet with the Director and Michael Gelder from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 23, before the OASAC Executive meeting.

April Meeting

1. Bill Dart - Report bed buy-back program/rates
2. Bill Bell – restructure of HFPB
3. John – quick update on Money follows the person

- a. More detailed for next mtg.
4. Revisit data
 - a. Revise questionnaire – pare down to areas potentially for conversion
5. John and Renne – Look at what other states are doing r/t respite care

Adjourned at 1:50 p.m.