

FAMILY RESOURCE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES—August 13, 2012

Present were: Sue Sleezer, DHHS Children & Family Services Unit Manager; Dick Trochinski, County Board/Health & Human Services Board; Gail Olson, Consumer; Jeri Loewe, DHHS Health Unit; Renee Peters, DHHS Health Unit – Family Support/Birth-Three Program; LeRoy Dissing, DHHS Director; Bridgette Fox, Parent; Beth Johnson, U.W. Extension; Deborah LaSusa, Consumer; Ruth Topham, Health & Human Services Board; Pam Mork, CHN; Robin Morris, Parent; Keely Watson, DHHS Student Nurse; Jana Tetzlaff, Clinical Services Unit Manager

Certification of Open Meeting Law: The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:36 a.m. by Dissing.

Appearances/Introductions: Introductions of members were made. No quorum, no meeting, just discussion.

DISCUSSION ON PROGRAMS/POLICIES:

Family Support: Peters explained the Family Support Program to Committee members. The 2012 grant allocation is \$20,638.00. Peters explained to Committee members that this program is geared towards children with severe disabilities to help provide services in their home. Providing respite services to the families is part of the Family Support Program funding. There are currently 14 children with Family Support Program Plans. Peters reported that 10% of funds can be utilized for administrative costs. Peters reported that the Family Support Program covers things insurance does not cover to support families in their home. Peters reported to Committee members that each case is looked at individually and looks at specific family needs to help support keeping the children in their home and plans are flexible to fit needs.

A functional screen is done to determine eligibility followed by a needs assessment prior to developing a plan.

Peters shared a narrative/pictures from a family support child who recently received funding to attend a camp for autistic children.

Peters also showed a picture of a child that was able to receive a special tricycle for special needs children. Discussion followed.

Birth-Three: Peters explained the Birth to 3 Program to Committee members. Peters reported that the Green Lake County Birth to 3 program went through a yearly self-assessment and the results indicated that the program continues to meet the expectations of the State.

Also recently received were the 2011 Family survey results which showed 100% compliance with providing families the information/services needed.

Peters read an excerpt from correspondence from a Birth-Three family stating how happy they are that that her child had developed so much and thankful for the wonderful tips and advice received.

Peters reported that the current number being served in the Birth-Three program is 13 children with active family service plans.

Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) Update: Peters reported regarding the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program to Committee members. Dissing reported that Malkowsky is preparing for the desk review at the present time. Malkowsky administers the CTLS program also.

Health: Maternal Child Health Update: Loewe reported that state funding requirements included county assessment for services and address the areas that have gaps.

Loewe distributed a draft brochure of the resources available in Green Lake County.

Loewe updated Committee members regarding the new Dental Grant that was received to provide services to Medical Assistance children to get their teeth cleaned/checked and get fluoride treatments. Appointments can be made 2 days a month.

To help with determining what areas the community is most concerned with, Committee members were requested to put “dots” on the displays showing what they thought was the most important issues to work on in Green Lake County.

Resource Sharing: Current Issues:

Peters reported regarding the Zoebel Park handicapped-accessible playground. Discussion followed.

Beth Johnson, U.W. Extension, updated the recent fair activities including a “Block Party” to have children build things. There was also information available showing what resources are available. Discussion followed.

Future Meeting Date: The next meeting is scheduled October 1, 2012 at 11:30 a.m.

Future Agenda Items for Action/Discussion: CCS update; Health Assessment; budget; community response program per diem, Wait list policy

The meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.