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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes for Monday, March 14, 2011

Members: Joann Keyston, Chair
Stan Gow, Vice Chair

Absent: Nancy Hall, Secretary

Staff: Michael Humphrey, Manager
Lorna Schreck, Secretary

1. Meeting Called to Order

Joann Keyston called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

2. Review of the Agenda

Members accepted the agenda as presented.

3. Staff Updates/Reports

Michael Humphrey reported on the following items:

A. Registry Activity:

- 1) February statistics are not yet available. Members reviewed the January statistics, which included 61 matches made.
- 2) The Registry is now open and accepting applications from all prospective caregivers.
- 3) The Statistics Report will no longer include a separate line item for Registry DOJ numbers as the DOJ background check numbers are reflected in the New Provider Enrollment section of the report

B. IHSS Public Authority Update

- 1) The Statistics will no longer report the Training numbers, since budget cuts last year forced staff to suspend the training program.

C. Provider Enrollment Update

- 1) There have been a spattering of folks completing the enrollment process and staff accommodates them as needed.
- 2) There are weekly orientations for approximately 50 new providers.

D. Consumer Fingerprinting – see legislative report

4. Budget and Legislative update

A. Budget –

- 1) Michael reported that advocacy and other proposals resulted in a potential savings to the IHSS portion of the State budget as noted below. (Total savings is \$486 million.)
 - (a) \$83 million - caseload adjustment
 - (b) \$121 million - Community First Choice Option provides a 6% increase in federal financial participation
 - (c) \$152 million - The medical/health care certificate required as a condition of eligibility
 - (d) \$150 million - Medication Compliance program allows automated medication dispenses in homes of at-risk individuals
 - (e) \$1.4 million – repeal of IHSS Advisory Committees

There is a trigger to implement across-the board cuts in FY 12/13 if the Medical Compliance program does not achieve the estimated savings.

- 2) The good news is the Governor's proposal to cut Domestic and Related Services for certain IHSS consumers will not be adopted, nor will the legislation to enact further across-the-board cuts (beyond the current 3.6% cut).

B. Legislation

- 1) Senator Noreen Evans introduced legislation to repeal consumer fingerprinting; as well as repeal the requirement of fingerprints on timesheets.
- 2) There is also expected legislation from the Department of Justice that will allow subsequent conviction notices, rather than the current subsequent arrest notices.

5. Mandated Ethics Review – AB1234 Training

Staff will extend the invitation to the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee members.

6. Review Draft Minutes

- A. Members approved the Minutes for January 10, 2011 Executive Committee meeting as presented.
- B. Members accepted the Minutes for the January 24, 2011 Advisory Committee meeting as presented.

7. Review the Work Plan Calendar

Members reviewed the Work Plan Calendar and with the suspension of the Provider Training program, a review of Provider Training Options will move to the parking lot. They added a discussion on “The Future of the Advisory Committee” in May.

8. Review Draft Agenda

Members accepted the agenda for the March 28, 2011 Advisory Committee meeting.

9. Membership Issues

Consumer and caregiver vacancy recruitment is on hold until the State finalizes its budget, and the future of the IHSS Advisory Committee is determined.

10. Other

- A. A meeting with Assembly Member Michael Allen is still in the scheduling phase. Joann is working with his assistant, Joanne Cohn, to set the meeting. March 25th is a definite maybe.
- B. Joann sat in on the CICA conference call, where participants discussed budget and legislative information.

11. Public Comment – none

12. Adjournment

Joann Keyston adjourned the meeting at 2:46 p.m.

Submitted by Lorna Schreck, Secretary