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Steering Committee Workgroup Minutes

November 29, 2017

Workgroup members attendance: Monica Frizzell, LaTasha McNair

NCCEH staff attendance: Ehren Dohler, Brian Alexander

Minutes:

- Ehren listed the currently confirmed at-large Steering Committee Members:
 - o People with Lived Experience: Barry Shipp and Derrick Burnell.
 - DHHS: Jessa Johnson and Angela Harper King. Jessa Johnson is in the Secretary's office and covers PSH and other topics. Angela Harper King is in the Department of Mental Health and convenes regular meetings with MCOs.
 - NC Housing Finance Agency: Paul Kimball
 - NC Homeless Education Program: Lisa Phillips. She coordinates all the McKinney-Vento Homeless School Liaisons.
 - Pisgah Legal: Parker Smith.
 - DSS: Donna Fayko. She is the director of the Rowan County DSS and the President of the DSS Directors' Association.
- The workgroup discussed how to fill the seat for the domestic violence sector.
 - Monica and LaTasha had discussions with local DV agencies about their relationship with the NC Council for Women. They all said they have good relationships with the Council and think they could be a good partner.
 - Ehren expressed concern that NCCEH/BoS don't have close relationships with the decision-makers on the Council, and the regional people, who are good contacts in the communities, are not necessarily decision-makers. Ehren also said that the NC Coalition Against DV's director has agreed to serve on the Steering Committee if we want her on it. Ehren suggested that we should continue the conversations with the Council in 2018 to deepen the relationship, but invited NCCADV onto the Steering Committee this year.
 - o LaTasha asked whether NCCADV is also a state-wide organization.
 - Ehren said they are state-wide. They are a membership organization that does a lot of training and advocacy around the state with DV providers. They organize some local coalitions against domestic violence that operate very similarly to the BoS Regional Committees. They also have been very helpful in setting BoS CoC policy for Coordinated Assessment and other items.
 - Monica and LaTasha agreed to invite Dana Mangum, Executive Director of NCCADV to serve on the Steering Committee. Ehren will confirm with her.
- LaTasha reported on her discussions with Vidant Health in Duplin County:
 - LaTasha has talked with Christina, the Patient Services Director in Duplin County. She serves on a systems outreach group that serves 29 counties. There's a rep from each

- county on that group. She is interested in serving on the steering committee and is committed to helping people with problems with housing.
- Ehren asked the grouped whether they think this would be a good fit, even though she isn't in a state-wide role.
- LaTasha said she thinks the Patient Services Director has the perspective to think more broadly and would work well on the Steering Committee.
- Brian suggested that she seems like a good fit, and since this is the first time through with these positions we should try it and see how it goes.
- o LaTasha will connect Ehren to Christina to confirm her membership.
- LaTasha asked how at-large Steering Committee members will be chosen next year.
 - Brian suggested we would probably re-convene a recruiting group again to help make those decisions. Brian also suggested that we wouldn't want all seats to turn over every year because we would lose people's expertise just as they were really getting up to speed.
- Ehren mentioned that Jim Cox (who couldn't make this call) also is still exploring a contact with the statewide association of Federally Qualified Health Centers. Ehren will keep the group updated if that conversation goes anywhere.
- Ehren also reported that Melissa couldn't be on the call due to a client emergency but wanted the group to know that Barry Shipp and Derrick Burnell will be attending the Region 5 meeting on December 13th so they can be introduced to the local community. Brian will also be at that meeting.
- Ehren summarized the next steps:
 - At-large Steering Committee members will be confirmed at the December 12 Steering Committee meeting.
 - NCCEH staff is holding an orientation webinar for all new Steering Committee members on December 15th from 2-3:30pm.
 - o The 2018 Steering Committee will have its first full meeting on January 9th.