



State of Illinois
Illinois Department on Aging

**Older Adult Services Advisory Committee
Executive Committee Meeting**

Date: January 24, 2011

**Location: Illinois Department on Aging, 160 N LaSalle, Ste N-700, Chicago,
One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, and conference call**

In attendance:

Executive Committee Members:

Stephanie Altman, Health and Disability Advocates
Darby Anderson, Addus HealthCare
Carol Aronson, Shawnee Alliance for Seniors
Pat Comstock, Health Care Council of Illinois
Myrtle Klauer, Illinois Council for Long Term Care
Jonathan Lavin, Age Options, Inc
Dave Lowitzki (for Terri Harkin), SEIU
Phyllis Mitzen, citizen member over the age of 60
Susan Real, family caregiver
Cathy Weightman-Moore, Catholic Charities Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

Department Representatives:

Charles Johnson, Illinois Department on Aging
Paul Stepusin, Illinois Department on Aging
Bill Bell, Illinois Department of Public Health
Kelly Cunningham for Theresa Eagleson, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Rob Kilbury, Illinois Department of Human Services
Sam Mordka, Illinois Housing Development Authority
Michael Gelder, Governor's Office

Department staff:

Sandra Alexander
Janice Cichowlas
John Eckert
Ross Grove

Absent: Terri Harkin, SEIU; Christopher Laxton, Life Services Network; Sandy Leith, Dept of Insurance; Dave Vinkler, AARP

Welcome and Introduction, Director Johnson

Approve minutes, Sandra Alexander

Cathy Weightman-Moore moved to approve the minutes from November 29, 2010. Dave Lowitzki seconded.

Discussion: Pat Comstock asked for clarification about the motion she has seconded. She did not intend to lend her support for two workgroups to be added. The issue was clarified. The minutes were approved.

Membership of Executive Committee, Sandra Alexander

Terri Harkin will replace Flora Johnson, Christopher Laxton will replace Kirk Riva and Dave Vinkler will replace Nancy Nelson.

Program Logic Model on 5 Priority Areas, Sandra Alexander

Sandra shared a program logic model diagram for each of the 5 priorities identified by State agencies which will be the focus of their work for the coming year.

Pat Comstock suggested that the reference to the nursing home industry potentially not being supportive of increased funding for home and community based services should be modified under the External Factors section. Discussion ensued. Darby Anderson stated that while Pat is indicating that her association is not opposed to the realignment, some nursing home industry members might be. Carol said a logic model diagram should include opponents and proponents because you want to identify all sides. Paul and Jon suggested that the language should not reference the nursing home industry per se, but that we expect many different views from a variety of stakeholders.

The committee discussed the long term goal of shifting funding from nursing home care to community based care. It was suggested that we look at the goals established under Money Follows the Person.

Michael Gelder stated that the Governor is signing a bill tomorrow having to do with unified budgeting for long term care services. There is to be a compilation report of all LTC spending by age, disability, etc.

Paul stated that this is a logic model and it is not carved in stone. Phyllis wants to know what mechanism should be used to move forward with these priorities. Phyllis says we need a strategy to take to address these priorities. Jon Lavin recommended that staff operationalize the goals. Sandra indicated that there is an internal lead state agency for each priority. The goal is for the state agencies to be able to report on their progress for each priority area at future OASAC meetings.

Paul would like to know how members of OASAC want to participate in these initiatives. Darby suggested that OASAC members should collect input from their constituencies about these priorities. Rob Kilbury suggested that OASAC members could write a letter of support to the Governor on these priorities. Jon Lavin agreed that the issue of global

budgeting is critical. Pat Comstock questioned whether OASAC should have a lobbying function. However, the individual organizations participating in OASAC may write a letter if they desired.

The Committee was asked to review the remaining program logic model diagrams and get Sandra any edits soon so these can be shared with the full OASAC on February 28th.

Executive Committee work groups, All

The Committee agreed that the workgroups of previous years needed to be realigned to address the priorities outlined in the planning process. These will include:

1. Housing/Access to Community Settings

Housing was one of the 9 priorities identified in the planning process. Phyllis Mitzen stated that reintegration rests on whether or not there is housing available. Sam Mordka indicated that there is a demonstrated lack of housing but some that is out there is not being used by the target populations. He would like to improve the referral network, build relationships, increase outside input including OASAC. Kelly Cunningham pointed out that housing fits in each of the 5 priorities in the logic model. It is the biggest barrier towards transition. It's not just housing but rather the right type of supportive housing to meet people's needs with a service package and care integration. Jon Lavin suggested we broaden the workgroup focus from just housing to "access to community settings". The committee agreed to call the workgroup Housing/Access to Community Settings. Sam Mordka agreed to lead this workgroup.

2. Access to Community Supports

Phyllis Mitzen said there is a broader issue of the integration of health and social services. The first issue was medication management. Susan Real said that they are currently working on training modules through a subcommittee of CCPAC. Darby Anderson said that Priority #4 is focused on community reintegration efforts but it misses the point that there is a lot of integration needed between health and social. Pat Comstock wants to avoid the situation we had with our prior workgroups where the workgroups were spinning their wheels and workgroup members were frustrated in the process. Sandra suggested time limits to these workgroups and then to reevaluate the need; perhaps after one year. Phyllis suggested identifying the scope of work for the workgroups. Sandra asked for a workgroup lead for this workgroup. Jon Lavin suggested that we send out something to the full committee to determine who wants to be on these two workgroups.

Develop the agenda for the Full OASAC Meeting, All

- The time for future OASAC meetings will be from 1:00 – 3:00, with refreshments
- Agenda - Susan Real will give the next Executive Committee Report. There will be a discussion of the new workgroups. The group would like an Integrated Managed Care Pilot in Chicago presentation update. Kelly will talk to Jim Parker from HFS about giving a brief update. Susan Real would like to hear about the BRIDGE model/ITCC. Kristen Pavle and Walter Rosenberg could present for 15-20 minutes.

2011 Report to the General Assembly, Sandra Alexander

The report went to the GA, and it is posted on our website.

Adjournment at 3:40 p.m., Director Johnson