

Department for Aging & Independent Living
Quarterly Meeting with Area Agencies on Aging & Independent Living

MINUTES

March 6, 2019

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. with introductions of in-person and individuals attending via Zoom Videoconferencing.

Introductions

The Mission Moment for this quarter was a promotional video the Cabinet released of the “Stop the Waste” initiative in the Green River Area Development District featuring Morrison’s Healthcare Food Services and Owensboro Health Regional Hospital. The program supplements the Home Delivered Meals program in that area by providing frozen meals on the weekends. <https://www.facebook.com/kychfs/videos/263492001202126/>

Michelle Elison, Partner Specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau, presented a Power Point presentation outlining the preparation and importance of the 2020 Census. As of April 1st we will be one-year out from the kick-off of the 2020 Census. March 2020 will be the release of materials that will be mailed. She highlighted the importance of reaching out to the elderly and help ensure that everyone is counted. The Power Point she presented will be distributed via email.

Old Business

Amy Metzger stated that a new Financial Branch Manager will join DAIL on March 16, 2019. She will send an email out introducing that person.

Buddy Hoskinson discussed the ADD Board Training, April, 2019 – June, 2019. We will host three to four face-to-face trainings and the others will be web/zoom based.

Kelli Sheets reminded everyone that Area Plan updates are due March 31st.

Edward Clark provided a SHIP/MIPPA update. He stated that Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment is running through March 31st. From 7/1/18 through 2/28/19 we have entered 32,650 Client Contacts. SHIP was funded again for this next year starting 7/1/19. ACL continues to discuss performance based funding, which means the Notice of Award will be based on performance and how well each state performs. They will look at the number of Client Contacts entered along with the 5 Performance Measures. Beginning next MIPPA contract in September there will be Performance Measures. Old NPR data should be in STARS by the end

of April. The STARS report function should be working very soon. There is a webinar scheduled for 3/20/19 at 2:30.

Kelli Sheets and Morallia Tran gave an update on utilization of Respite in the National Family Caregiver Program. DAIL is looking at opportunities to help Caregivers utilize their Respite funds. More information to come.

NAPIS Update -- Next year, updates to the reporting system will allow the federal government to see each agency's responses and justifications as they are entered into the reporting. A reminder was given that our funding is based on the NAPIS data and the funds expended. If there are carryover funds, it appears that we do not need the dollars, so please ensure if you have carryover, it is adequately addressed.

SAMS update -- Jeanette is working closely with Amanda Stokes at Pennyrile and with DAIL to help develop a waitlist maintained in SAMS. The benefit of this is to have the ability to run various reports on the demographics of folks on the waitlists. If you see a benefit to adding categories in the system for tracking purposes, please contact Jeanette. We want to work collaboratively to determine what is in the system and how we can all use the system in the most user-friendly manner possible.

Amy Metzger discussed Contract modifications.

New Business

Marnie Mountjoy discussed National Healthcare Decision Day on April 16th. Several AAAIL are part of a group scheduling special events in their local area and the Governor will be doing a video and signing a proclamation.

Kelli Sheets talked about National Volunteer Week April 7–13, 2019. DAIL would like to recognize and send appreciation certificates to all AAA volunteers. She asked all AAA's to make sure they send their list of volunteers in by March 15th.

Marnie Mountjoy discussed Community Action Needs Assessment. DAIL is working collaboratively with Community Action of Kentucky (CAKy) to utilize their current needs assessment which is both a paper survey and a web based survey. The survey will replace the survey that is required to be done with each area plan and will show standardized results across the commonwealth. By partnering with Community Action, we are able to have greater reach of persons and organizations completing the form. It will be effective July 1, 2019.

Buddy Hoskinson discussed the Workforce Pilot. This pilot will be launched in the Bluegrass Area Development Region in the fall, 2019. We will be working with providers and educators. The goal is to move students from the classroom to the workplace.

Commissioner Shannon Gadd talked about underspent funds and justifications. You will be receiving a call to go over areas that are underspent. We do not want to leave money on the table. We want to have a better understanding as to why and how we can assist.

Commissioner Shannon Gadd discussed the four focus areas and that staff is working in groups to study and develop new ideas to address 1) food insecurity; 2) reducing number of older adults who smoke; 3) increasing physical activity; 4) improving access to mental health resources. She introduced the following staff and staff gave updates:

Amanda Stoess spoke about a food insecurity survey monkey. The survey is due March 11, 2019. The survey is about current practices and partnerships that are already being done related to food insecurity. The survey asks about reasons why their seniors suffer from food insecurity. The food insecurity group has an upcoming meeting with Dare-to-Care on March 18th to discuss their projects to see how DAIL can partner with them and expand services at a statewide level rather than regionally.

Marnie Mountjoy talked about smoking cessation focus. DAIL is collaborating with the state health department on some efforts. The primary focus is to align resources and programs that will benefit our aging population.

Angie Hutcherson discussed programs relating to physical activity. Angie, Morallia Tran and Beth Rearden are working with the AAAs on expanding the Health Promotion Programs offered in each AAA and reaching more people. We are beginning to call AAAs to seek participation in Health Promotion (Highest Tier) pilot programs across the state. We are looking for programs that are not currently offered in their areas and programs that would be of interest in their area. We are reaching out to the AAAs and assisting them in partnering with other Area Agencies to achieve these goals. We may reach out to your Agency!

Kelli Sheets gave an update on the access to mental health and meeting and working with Kim Hillard, BH/DID Program Administrator, Department for Behavioral Health to raise public awareness on services available.

NASUAD Review -- Commissioner Gadd has asked NASUAD (National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities) to assist DAIL in focusing our efforts to efficiently and effectively align our programs. In the next few months, NASUAD will provide feedback that can strengthen our services.

Commissioner Shannon Gadd talked about a new meetings schedule. DAIL and the AAALs will meet every other month adding two more meetings a year. We will meet in person a couple more times per year and will limit the meetings to two hours. Kelli Sheets will work with Jennifer Williams to schedule around the K4A meetings.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:15.