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MARINETTE COUNTY COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM/
LONG TERM SUPPORT PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

June 11, 2009
2500 Hall Avenue
Marinette, WI 54143
(Conference Room G – Lower Level)

Members Present: Carol Faucett, Bonnie Haley, Pam Day, Ruth Roush, Marge Raab,
Mary Mursau and Kathy Just
Members Absent: Joan Radmanovich, Pam Mueller-Johnson, Joanne Bryngelson, and
Cindy McCauley
Others Present: Judy Drier, Doreen Bender

1. Call meeting to Order.

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Carol Faucett at 10:33 a.m. .

2. Approve/Amend Agenda items.

MOTION (Just/Raab) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried. No negative vote.

3. Approve/Amend Minutes of April 16, 2009 Meeting.

MOTION (Daye/Mursau) to approve the Minutes of the April 16, 2009 meeting. Motion carried. No negative vote.

4. COP Coordinator's Report for April-May 2009. Action, if any.

Copies of the *COP Coordinators Report* dated June 11, 2009, the *Long Term Services Financial Report* dated June 11, 2009 and the *Marinette Costs by Target by Program Report* dated June 4, 2009 were distributed and reviewed. There is a small amount of regular COP funding available. As a result, two new individuals with mental health diagnoses will be served. COP Waiver is on target and slightly under spent because regular COP was used as match. Four elderly individuals have been identified as the next to be served. CIP II has been broken out into three programs: (1) CIP II Regular, (2) CIP II Nursing Home Relocation, and (3) CIP II Nursing Home Diversion. The CIP II Nursing Home Relocation and Nursing Home Diversion are both on target. The County is a little under spent in CIP II. The daily cost for services for a certain individual has been reduced but is anticipated to increase so the funds are being reserved. CIP 1B COP Match is on target but is slightly above what can be used for match (\$240,000). The amount of County tax levy allocation for the CIP 1B Comm. Aids Match was unavailable.

The Wait List has decreased and more people are continuing to be served. The Developmentally Disabled are waiting the longest because the State imposed a cap on how much funding can be used for those individuals. Significant Proportions are in compliance and has not been earmarked by the State for more than 10 years. Assessments and Plans are continuing to be made. More individuals can be put on because of new funding from the Nursing Home Relocation which is the only new funding available. The State is very generous with CIP II Diversion slots for elderly and physically disabled individuals ready to enter a nursing home but there is a high criterion. Funds are capped at \$85.00 per day. Currently, there are about 12 slots. Judy advised that they are doing fine with the cap on percentages of allocations that can be spent on CBRF residents' services. The CIP II cap percentage was raised to 60% pursuant to previous approval of the COP Committee.

Marinette County is in discussions and initial planning stages to determine if it will proceed with implementing "Family Care" which is the direction the entire State is moving toward by the year 2012-2013. Planning for an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) will also need to begin shortly.

MOTION (Haley/Roush) to approve the COP Coordinator's Report for April-May 2009. Motion carried. No negative vote.

5. Discuss proposed State revisions to COP and MA Waiver Wait List Policy.

Copies of an info memo entitled "*Wait List Criteria and First Come First Serve Requirements*" dated May 4, 2009 from the State of Wisconsin Division of Long Term Care and an email dated May 13, 2009, from Patrick Cork of the Department of Health Services were distributed and reviewed. While there are preliminary plans to revise the wait list so that individuals are served on a "first come, first serve basis" (in all counties) more discussion needs to take place at the State level before any changes will be implemented. If the changes are enacted between now and the next Committee meeting, Judy will need to follow the new Wait List Policy.

6. Consider nomination(s) to fill vacancy(s) for Mental Health and/or Physically Disabled target group representative(s) on COP/LTS Planning Committee. Action, if any.

Judy introduced Doreen Bender who is the new Supervisor of the Community Support Program (CSP) at Marinette County Health & Human Services. Doreen has been with Marinette County for nine years. She has prior experience working in a nursing home and in a hospital. She also managed a group home for mentally ill and developmentally disabled adults. Doreen advocates for clients and the services they receive.

MOTION (Just/Haley) to recommend Doreen Bender be appointed to serve as the new COP Committee member in the mental health area, replacing Robin Elsner, and to recommend her appointment to the County Board for approval. Motion carried. No negative vote.

(Judy advised that she received a written resignation from Cindy McCauley regretting that she is unable to serve as a committee representative for the physically disabled target group. Judy will look into recruiting a consumer, or a family member of a consumer, to represent the physically disabled target group at future COP meetings.)

7. Discuss/designate use of COP Carryover funds from CY 2008. Action, if any.

After the year-end reconciliation, there were unspent funds eligible for carryover to 2009. Because individuals were transferred from one program to CIP II to gain as much funding as possible, unspent funds in the amount of \$23,868 remain which can be used for either services or administration.

MOTION (Roush/Mursau) to recommend that the \$23,868 of unspent funds be used for services for eligible individuals during 2009. Motion carried. No negative vote.

8. Schedule Next Meeting Date

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2009, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

9. Adjourn

MOTION (Raab/Haley) to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried. No negative vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Sylvia S. Zane, Recorder