

**OHIO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL
CHILDREN AND HEALTH COMMITTEE**

**March 3, 2016
Doubletree Hotel
Newark, Ohio**

MINUTES

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Kay Treanor	Kim Crishbaum
Paul Jarvis	Carolyn Knight

Call to Order and Approval of Minutes: Chair Neil Castilow called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Neil called for approval of the December minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made Paula/Diane. The minutes were approved as written.

Presentation: The committee heard a presentation on GPS, Guiding People through Services, a new internet tool created in cooperation by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and the University of Cincinnati Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UC UCEDD). Celia Schloemer and Amy Corbin from UC UCEDD provided an overview of the stand-alone website by providing screen shots and information on the site currently in test mode. Some of the information on GPS shared follows:

- The website was developed by a team of professionals and family members under the direction of BCMH staff at ODH.
- The website is currently waiting on approval of a disclaimer clause by the UC legal department and then will “go live”.
- GPS is interactive. A notebook/account can be developed for individuals and information stored online or forms and information can be downloaded to be used offline as needed.
- Forms were well thought out and tested by the team that developed the site.
- Individuals and families can upload documents and links into an account to provide more information.
- Multi care notebooks can be created under one account for those families who have more than one child with DD or for professional use with several individuals.
- The website is secured to protect information.
- Information stored and forms used can be converted into a PDF document or email for the purpose of sharing.
- It was noted this would be helpful for foster care and shared living situations.

For more information or questions, Celia can be contacted at Celia.Schloemer@cchmc.org

New Business/ Old Business: Kay reported DODD and ODDC have collaborated in an application for grant from the National Community of Practice for Families of Individuals with DD. As part of this work, she asked Kim Weimer, Family Liaison for DODD to talk about the departments new family support grants.

Kim provided an overview of grant awards to five grantees across Ohio. The grantees are each required to complete a strategic plan and funding will end June 30, 2017. The grantees are:

- Autism Society of Central Ohio (ASCO) will recruit and train eight Regional Guides from Autism Society and Autism Speaks chapters to promote, sustain, and

- develop access to care strategies for families and providers.
- Ohio Special Initiatives by Brothers and Sisters (Ohio SIBS) will develop statewide teams and facilitators who will be trained in the areas including Medicaid, Support brokers, waiting list and associated life continuum needs to address barriers to service needs.
 - The ARC of Ohio will develop trainings regarding Support Brokerage with regards to the SELF waiver. Also, develop a Family Choice Model of service delivery for the Level 1 and IO Waivers.
 - Good Life Networks will engage in family outreach by recruitment of family facilitators to help peers with navigation and leadership, connect community resources and expand family networks.
 - The Early Childhood Resource Network (ECRN) of the YMCA will facilitate monthly integrated playgroups to allow families to build networks and other various family support activities.

Kim is willing to provide additional information on any of these grants or the efforts of DODD to address efforts for furthering family support. She can be contacted at Kim.Weimer@dodd.ohio.gov

Agency and Partner Updates: With time for the meeting running over, this part of the agenda was suspended.

Adjournment: Neil called for a motion for adjournment. Motion to end the meeting was made, Heather/ Paula. The meeting adjourned at 2:40pm.