

Aging Well: Health, Mental Health and Wellness Minutes: 12/5/2011

Attendees: Vicki Rodgers, Sophia Aires, Liz Smith, Tricia Muller, Tomasita Watson, Jeana Capel-Jones, Jennifer Campbell, Justin Lampe, Pam Allen, Olga Martinez, Susan Franklin and Rena Kuberski

Introductions were made. Jennifer Campbell is new to the group and will need to sign up for a sub-committee.

Updates:

Sr. Day at the Capitol will be 3/14/12

Older Americans Month will be May 2012

Sr. Law Day will be 6/14/12

Susan updated everyone that the Aging Well annual report was distributed and is available on the Aging Well Website. The planning committee for the next Summit will start to meet later this month. A June date is planned.

DRCOG's Boomer Bond Group is similar to Aging Well with 6 workgroups and some of the same members. There is a question as to how all the groups fit together, share information to achieve similar goals.

Vicki stated that there is a list through DORA that medical professionals use to update their current information and here is information about this:

New Healthcare Professions Profiling System is now online!

The Healthcare Professions Profiling System has been upgraded with new features and additional questions due to the Michael Skolnik Medical Transparency Act of 2010 expansion. These new questions will need to be completed and submitted via the system in order to renew your license. You will be able to create or update your profile by clicking the button on the left of this page labeled, "Create/Update a Healthcare Profession Profile."

Our search capability has also been updated for our customers to research Healthcare Professionals. You may access the search functionality by clicking the button on the left of this page labeled, "Search Healthcare Profession Profiles."

## **The Michael Skolnik Medical Transparency Act of 2010:**

The Michael Skolnik Medical Transparency Act of 2010 extends the reporting requirements to several additional healthcare professionals. All individuals applying for the following license types will be required to complete online profiles beginning July 1, 2011:

**Audiology**  
**Hearing Aid Providers**  
**Acupuncture**  
**Podiatry**  
**Chiropractic**  
**Dentistry**  
**Dental Hygiene**

**Medicine**  
**Physician Assistant**  
**Direct-Entry Midwifery**  
**Practical Nursing**  
**Professional Nursing**  
**Advanced Practice Nursing**  
**Optometry**  
**Physical Therapy**  
**Psychology**  
**Social Work**  
**Marriage and Family Therapy**  
**Professional Counseling**  
**Addiction Counseling**  
**Registered Psychotherapy**

Additionally, anyone currently licensed in one of these professions will be required to complete online profiles before they will be eligible to renew their license during their next renewal cycle.

Here is the site for this information: <http://www.dora.state.co.us/hppp/>

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The group shared that all the new Medicaid and other changes in health care delivery is often confusing and over whelming for professionals let alone the public, as there are constant changes.

Robin Stone who was a speaker at the last Aging Well Summit has a new book out: "Long-term Care for the Elderly".

Goals addressed from each sub group:

MCPN's new clinic will open (Westside Family Health Services Clinic) 10/1/12 at 29<sup>th</sup> and Wadsworth in Wheat Ridge. There will be 8,000 square feet with one area devoted to the disabled and seniors, Jefferson Center for Mental Health will have staff at this clinic as well. It will be set up similar to their Potomac St Clinic in Aurora. Most insurances will be accepted, but mostly uninsured and Medicaid. A one page list of resources for Jefferson County will be needed.

Pam's group has identified the providers for the Ta- Chi classes as well as the locations to hold the classes. She wants to gather data that will show that by taking the classes, seniors improved their mobility and decreased their fall risks.

Vicki, Liz and Tomasita discussed the chronic disease and self management classes. There is a new suicide screen that doctors will use after training by Jefferson Center's staff. This is part of the SAMSHA grant that is an extension of Sr. Reach. The grant is for 18 months and hopefully, the relationship with the PCPs will be sustainable, as the focus of the future in health care is better communication with PCPs to improve care to seniors.

Exempla Lutheran has a separate ER for seniors but there is no new information about a senior in-patient gero-psych unit.

Jeana and Susan will research DORA for a list of geriatricians in Jefferson County. There is a need to recruit for workforce development in this specialty.

Tricia and Rena updated the group about Collage which is an assessment tool that staff at senior high rises can use to assess needs of their residents. Staff at Eaton Terrace has used this tool; so Tricia, Susan and Rena will meet with the social worker at this facility to discuss the use of this tool. Tricia also informed the group that another part of this goal is to send a survey to the mangers of senior apartments to see if there are other resources that are needed.

Next Meeting: Aging Well Leadership: 1/18/12 2-4 Human Services Cafeteria

Sub groups will not meet until Feb.

Next Physical/Mental Health and Wellness Large Group: 3/5/12

Minutes submitted by Rena Kuberski