Dauphin County Human Services Block Grant Planning and Advisory
Committee Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2017

In attendance: Scott Burford, Randie Yeager, Kacey Crown, Daniel Eisenhauer, Paul Boyer, Fred Lighty, Jennifer Wintermyer, Cheryl Dondero, Currin Haines-Yoder, Sam Priego, April Rudick, Adriana Vukmanic, Beth McAlister, Paula Ruane, Ron Sharp, Todd Singer.

The meeting was opened by Scott Burford. Discussion was made about FY ’17-’18 State Budget and the Governor’s reunification of State Departments. House Bill 218 introduces 15% cuts. The County is heavily dependent upon state budget and a huge thank you to our Providers and our County Directors for being vigilant and fiscally responsible.

The FY 2017-2018 Block Grant Plan will go before the County Commissioners on May 31, 2017 and must be submitted to the State by June 8, 2017. There are also County Budget hearings on May 31, 2017 as well.

**HSDF update provided by Randie Yeager:**

- All HSDF are on target except 1 program to be fully spend funds.
- Central PA Food Bank numbers at the NDHSC are high. Current FY we have assisted 1043 individuals.
- Justice Works contract is for Adult FGC and will continue to work with Probation on referrals.
- Shalom is fully spent.
- Meals on Wheels, currently have one client.
- International Services Center, YWCA and CAHC are almost fully spent.
- HSDF is not significantly different than from last FY.
- We are still moving forward with the Integrated Data System.
- Projected 15% cut in next FY could mean Food Bank receives most of the money and other services would be out and would cut the Food Bank funding.

**Children and Youth update provided by Currin Haines-Yoder:**

- We are shifting programs to our Needs Based Budget and we may need additional draw down.
- FY 2017-2018 budgets are told no new programs. This means the new program we had for Housing for older youth (ages 18-26) will be cut.
- MST and Housing are our highest costs.
- We have reached out to the AOPC for any other potential suggestions on Family Development Credentialing. We only have one person left with the credentials. Kevin Campbell will be doing some training to reinvigorate Supervisors on FDC.
- We have 9 new employees starting soon.
- We have Corner House training upcoming per Grand Jury findings.
D&A update provided by Cheryl Dondero:

- We have some vacancies. Bilingual Case Manager is starting in June. We have 2 Case Manager vacancies.
- Detox and Inpatient dollars of Block Grant have been spent.
- Treatment dollars have been secured through DDAP.
- D&A has better budget outlook as we are guaranteed funding through the 20th Century Cares Act for underinsured/uninsured recovery support.
- Capital Five Region working one expanding recovery support centers and get more providers.
- Warm Hand Off is going well.
- Center of Excellence will continue next year. We partnered with Hamilton Health and PA Counseling.
- Had 284 at the Central PA Addictions Conference.
- Next Town hall is in Middletown on May 30.

MH/ID update provided by Dan Eisenhauer:

- The Agency has 2 vacancies in the Crisis Unit.
- First Episode Psychosis grant is up and running and we have 5-6 individuals involved.
- The Intellectual Disabilities unit is stable.
- We moved $230,000 to shelter providers who lost state funding and rental assistance to CCU for HAP program. With House Bill 218, 15% reduction is about $100,000 to HAP and we already had 40% reduction in last 6 years for HAP.
- Waiver program is new implementation, new services, new regulations for 2017-2018.

No Public Comment was made. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.