

Meeting Summary
HillsboroughHATS Coalition Meeting
Shriner's Hospital for Children
May 10, 2010
4:00-7:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance:

Joanne Angel
Glenn Brown
Maria Gieron
Martha Kronk
Karalee Kulek-Luzey
John Mayo
David Plasencia
Jamie Parker
Lynn Ringenberg
Dondra Smith
Diane Straub
Joane White
Laurie Woodard

Others in Attendance:

Janet Hess
Teresa Kelly
Kathey LaRoche

Roll Call: 13 members present

Where do we go from here?

Janet Hess led discussion on the continuation of the coalition's efforts. Phase 1 is almost complete and the group needs to decide how they wish to move forward to begin addressing the issues in the plan. Members were asked to think about what type of mechanism should be in place such as subcommittees/workgroups reporting back to the entire coalition on a less frequent meeting cycle.

Janet invited all members to sit in on a conference call on May 25th at 11:00 a.m. with the Statewide Health Care Transitions Task Force.

In addition, Janet indicated that approximately \$10,000 would be available to each coalition to continue their work. She asked the group for guidance on how that money should be allocated. Additional discussion on issue was held following the development of action steps.

Action Step Development

Teresa Kelly provided the objectives to each member and worked with the group to determine when work for each objective should begin. Results were as follows:

Months 1-3

Objective 1-1: Identify all potential health care and support service resources related to transition and assets that serve young adults with disabilities or health care needs as a first priority.

Objective 1-2: Identify gaps in health transition education tools for providers and patient families prior to providing a comprehensive education plan.

Objective 2.1: Identify current advocacy/policy change activities currently in process.

Objective 3.1: Engage representatives from stakeholders (children's committee, project connect, etc.) in the transition process.

Months 4-6

Objective 1.3: Determine appropriate mentor/advocate model for transition services in Hillsborough County.

Objective 1.6: Establish transition guideline algorithms for patients and/or their caretakers.

Objective 2.2: Review and define the levels of service in medical home models in regards to reimbursement (how are the services being provided and funded?)

Objective 3.2: Explore the feasibility of using Developmental Evaluation Intervention Teams model on an individual level.

Objective 3.3: Explore options to coordinate with the IEP process with Health Transition process.

Months 7-9

Objective 1.5: Develop a method to enhance communication (clinical tools) between primary care, pediatric care and adult care providers.

Objective 2.3: Educate legislators on the health care transition process.

Month 10 and later

Objective 1 4: Encourage pediatricians to adopt health transition policies in their practices.

Objective 1.7: Educate current health care providers, community health centers and the health department on the need to provide primary care and identify youth and young adults who may need referrals to centers of excellence.

Members then divided into three groups and formulated action steps for each objective and identified additional resources and other partners needed. Results attached.

Action plan will be forwarded to all members for review and comment before the final version is distributed.

Continuation of Discussion of the Future of the Coalition

Members provided input on how the coalition could continue to operate. Ideas included:

- The need for ongoing clerical and administrative support was indicated, either through a volunteer person/agency, or using some of the available funds to support the effort.
- Identify responsible parties to lead each action step, either informally or by forming a subcommittee or workgroup. Expertise in specific issues should drive the composition of the groups and outreach to new partners may be needed.
- Work on action steps could be accomplished in a number of ways including face-to-face meetings, yahoo groups, conference calls or web-based contact.
- At some point the larger group should get back together (quarterly?) to keep abreast of work being done.
- Materials developed should be reviewed by the entire group before implementation.
- Some funding should be reserved for implementation of activities.

Wrap Up and Next Steps

A draft of the action plan will be provided to all members allowing one week for comments. If there is a need to reach consensus on issues raised during the comment phase, either a conference call or e-mail exchange will occur during the last week on May.

Teresa will coordinate additional input on how to move forward following the finalization of the plan.