

Hillsborough HATS Coalition Meeting Summary
Shriner's Hospitals -USF
October 20, 2010
4:00pm – 6:00pm

In attendance: Tom Cavaleri, Dr. Peter Gorski, Janet Hess, Martha Kronk, Marybeth Palmigiano, Dr. Danny Plasencia, Dr. Lynn Ringenberg, Dr. Henry Rodriguez, Freddy Valadez, Joane White, Dr. Laurie Woodard, Dr. Diane Straub

State and Local Initiatives

After introductions, Ms. Hess presented a PowerPoint highlighting state and local Initiatives:

- The FloridaHATS website and Tool Box
 - HillsboroughHATS page; send updates to Ms. Palmigiano for inclusion on the webpage
 - New online health care transition service directory will launch in December; it will be searchable by county and service category
 - Ms. Kronk has database of services/programs that she will share with Ms. Hess.

- New Facebook page to promote personal stories about transition experiences.
- New FloridaHATS brochure and rack card available in November
- Organizing a statewide physician workgroup to develop condition-specific guidelines
Members of HillsboroughHATS will be invited to take part in the group.
- The submission of a legislative proposal to formalize FloridaHATS and extend age criteria for CMS clients from 21 to 26 years
- Continuing education training for clinicians; another module targeted to teachers/ educators is in development

Action Plan and Workgroups

- The new Coalition Coordinator, Marybeth Palmigiano, was introduced. Ms. Palmigiano will help coordinate meetings/communication for implementation of the Action Plan, and will provide workgroup administrative support, research and other tasks, as needed.

- Ms. Hess reviewed the Action Plan and shared a draft of prospective workgroups with their respective Co-Chairs and objectives/tasks.
 - Active Workgroups:
 - Services and Cross-System Relationship Building
 - Community-Based Education and Advocacy
 - School-Based Education and Advocacy (integrate with Project Connect)
 - Financing and Public Policy (still need Chair or Co-Chairs)
 - Two other workgroups associated with clinical guidelines and physician training will be put on hold until the new AAP Health Care Transition Tool Kit is released.
 - All coalition members are asked to participate in at least 1 of the 4 active workgroups. Sign-up sheets were circulated at the meeting and are attached to the minutes.

- Outside organizations/content experts should be identified and encouraged to participate in the workgroups. There was a suggestion to re-engage some folks initially identified as potential coalition members (e.g., Connected by 25).
 - Each workgroup will determine its own meeting schedule and methods of communication; each will report back to the full Coalition on progress in May 2011
- Members discussed the importance of HillsboroughHATS representation at community events/fairs and at related community coalition meetings (e.g., Children's Committee, Children's Board Advocacy Committee).
 - There was a suggestion to purchase a HillsboroughHATS/FloridaHATS presentation board for these types of events. Ms Hess will investigate.
 - HillsboroughHATS members should contact Ms. Palmigiano with information about upcoming local events.
 - In addition, state and national events such as the Family Café and other conferences are good venues for exposure. Ms. Hess will ensure that we avoid duplication (among the three regional coalitions) when participating at large events.
- HillsboroughHATs has \$2,000 - \$3,000 left in its \$10,000 budget to help support Action Plan activities.
- Dr. Gorski reported that the FloridaHATS/CMS proposed legislation was voted a priority at the recent Children's Board Legislative Summit, and will be included in this year's Red Book (i.e., top legislative issues to support locally).
- The full coalition will meet only 1 or 2 more times from now to May/June 2011. A list of members with their contact information will be emailed to the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.