



APD PROVIDERS / SUPPORT COORDINATORS JOINT MEETING
Wednesday, June 15, 2016 9:30 A.M.
401 NW 2ND Avenue, Suite N-1011, Miami, FL 33128

AGENDA ITEM	ISSUE / DISCUSSION	ACTION / FOLLOW UP
<p>I. CALL TO ORDER</p>	<p>Meeting began at 9:40am.</p> <p>Friendly reminder: This room is the DCF District Administrator’s conference room and we are very appreciative that it is made available to APD for our Provider Meetings. However, the room is only available to until about 11:30am. When we adjourn please be reminded to do so promptly, quietly and pickup all of your belongings. If you need to meet with one of your colleagues we ask that you do so in the 4th floor cafeteria. Thank you for your cooperation.</p> <p>Sherab Chodron, Deputy ROM (Regional Program Administrator) (Waiver, Waitlist & Community Affairs, Clinical)</p> <p>1. <u>Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>New Provider Introductions.</u> ➤ <u>Provider Meetings.</u> Moving forward, provider meetings will be changed in order to focus on provider-specific technical assistance, training and quality assurance. July will be our last “all -provider” meeting. Additional information concerning dates, times and location of all future “provider-specific” meetings will be sent via email and be posted on the APD Southern Region website. <p>1) Beginning in August 2016, <u>Waiver Support Coordinators</u> will meet on a bi-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For more information about the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, please contact Evelyn Alvarez at (305) 349-1478. <p align="right">1</p>

II. STATE / AREA
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UPDATE

monthly basis, from 10am-Noon in the N-1011 Conference Room on the traditional “Wednesday” dates. Credit will be provided for many meetings,

- 2) provided WSCs arrive timely and attend the entire meeting. In-person attendance may be required in order to receive credit.
- 3) Supported Employment and Supporting Living meetings will still be held quarterly, back-to-back, but will be expanded in scope and duration. In addition, conference call-in capability will be provided.
- 4) Res Hab/Behavioral Services meetings will be held three or four times per year. Conference call-in capability will be provided.
- 5) Lifeskills/ADT. We will see you in the field!
- 6) Contracted Providers (regardless of service). Technical assistance and quality review will be provided annually as part of the yearly monitoring and review of contract services.
- 7) **Special note: you can attend meetings by conference call at 1-888-670-3525, Caller ID 6656678171.** Please email confirmation of your attendance via conference call to sherab.chodron@apdcares.org

- Director’s Visit Update. Director Palmer will **NOT** be traveling to South Florida on July 14th. Stand by for further updates, but be advised, she will be meeting with all providers in Orlando in September, on or about the time of the DCF Dependency Summit.
- New Staff Introductions. Maday Suarez, RN. Ms. Suarez will be joining our MCM workstream full-time. We welcome here!
- Today’s Speaker. Roberto Cepeda, Emergency Management Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management, Miami-Dade. Mr. Cepeda provided information concerning emergency plans and orientation sessions offered twice a month by OEM, Miami-Dade. Mr. Cepeda has been invited to attend an upcoming Res Hab meeting for a more in-depth one-hour training opportunity for group home providers.
- Next Month’s Speaker. ABLE United will be joining us for our last “all provider” meeting. FCC and community advocacy and member organizations will be invited as well. ABLE United is Florida’s Qualified ABLE Program. ABLE = “Achieving a Better Life Experience.” ABLE accounts are tax-free and investment savings accounts that individuals with

qualifying disabilities can set up to support disability-related expenses while maintaining government benefits, i.e. the \$2000 asset limit is not a barrier to savings and investments, and an individual can reserve and invest money – including contributions of any kind – without endangering or losing their social security benefits or Medicaid. Qualified expenses that can be saved and paid for include “living expenses” and are NOT required to be medically necessary. Legislative mandate requires the website and information concerning the trust accounts be fully accessible by July 1, 2016. We will continue to provide updates at the Providers’ Meetings, and the informational packets will also be made available to us by July 1. I am working to see if we cannot have a full presentation on the ABLE program at our July 20, 2016 meeting. Basic information can be found at <http://myablesavings.com/>.

2. Contact Information

- Available by email @ sherab.chodron@apdcares.org and @ 305-377-5089.

❖ Diana Flores, MS, CIRS,

Waitlist to Waiver & Community Affairs

Waitlist to waiver enrollment

- **May # of waitlist to waiver consumers enrolled = 18**

Crisis Tools

- In **May** we reviewed **8 Crisis Tools/ 2 CBC** were enrolled in med-waiver, and **20 consumer’s categories** were changed.

EEP

- EEP #s holding steady at **16 employed/engaged**, and **5 internships**.
- 5/31 -Attended AoA meeting in Monroe County: has since connected the group to a representative from “Disability Rights Florida”. Group is interested in including them in future meeting
- 6/1- Attended “Developing Abilities/Restoring Rights” Guardianship Workshop, sponsored by ARC of South Florida
- 6/8 – Quarterly Supported Employment Providers Meeting: presentations by APD Med Waiver consumer employed at Law Offices of Trujillo and Vargas, STS Administrator, EEP Job Coach discussing the “Discovery Process” in Supported Employment

- 6/9- Meeting with Executive Director of Disability Independence Group: discussed possibility of EEP internships there and at their partners at Miami Dade County Animal Services

FCC

- FCC met this past week on May 11th; June meeting is cancelled; next meeting is scheduled for July 13th from 10am-12pm in APD offices.
- Family Café in June 10-12, 2016

❖ **Ms. Maria Linares, MS discussed the following:**

- Call for Invoices!
 - 4th Quarter of the fiscal year, please submit your invoices-GR ONLY!
- Supported Living Providers
 - Remind your consumers that July stipends are usually late
 - Will arrive with the August stipend
 - Need to make contingency plan
- A reminder that there has been a change in GR invoicing requires that you now spell out the service provided. Abbreviations will no longer be accepted. This is not a new rule, it has been in place for some time now, but never enforced. It is being enforced now.

❖ **Mr. Kirk Ryon, RPS discussed the following:**

Quality Assurance Work-Stream Meeting Minutes 6/15/16

- Kirk Ryon and Maxine Johnson discussed Train Florida Updates. Train Florida was launched on May 18, 2016. The following updates were given to providers:
 1. Please do not create a Train Florida Account – you will receive notification
 2. You must have a valid email address on Ibudget and ABC to access the Train Florida system
 3. Train Florida resources include APD Courses and APD Learner Help and Support

4. All APD courses have titles beginning with APD
5. Please use the following APD LMS Support email address for any questions or concerns: apd.lmssupport@apdcares.org

Kirk Ryon discussed the [AHCA Clearinghouse Background Screening Updates](#).

1. Providers and their staff are not required to be rescreened for the sake of being in the Clearinghouse pursuant to s.435.12(3).
Prior to May 25th, 2015, APD accepted BGS results from AHCA/Medicaid or APD BGS results processed through the old DCF CSIS system.
Between May 25th to July 6th 2015, acceptable APD BGS results processes through two systems: old DCF CSIS system or new Clearinghouse system.
Starting July 7th, 2015, APD BGS results processes exclusively through new Clearinghouse system.
2. If a provider/their staff were screened prior to the implementation of the clearinghouse for our specified agency, and currently have a valid screening from the Department of Children and Families and that screening is still within its 5 year time frame, then the screening is acceptable.

Kirk Ryon announced a guest speaker from the Miami-Dade Office of Emergency Management. Mr. Roberto Cepeda will speak with regard to registering APD facilities with Miami-Dade Emergency Management. Mr. Cepeda will be invited to conduct a training on review of Emergency Plans by the office of Emergency Management when the Res. Hab. Quarterly meeting convenes in a few months. APD Group Homes may access the Emergency Management Web Site and Mr. Cepeda's contact information at: www.miamidade.gov/oem. Under the Services column go to "safety" and then "Emergency Management" and then "Residential Healthcare Facility Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan Website".

Ms. Sherab Chodron and Kirk Ryon announced that a comprehensive procedure for closed files will be distributed to all waiver support coordinators in the August Meeting.

Attendance:

James Hamby, Karen Lezame, Cristina Schwartz, Reginald Wale, Kelly Patterson, Roberto Pire, Amelia Hernandez, Aleida Patricia Blanco, Chris Obiotta, Nirka Hedesa, Veronica Oliver, Vivian Owen, Monica Bermudez, Kamu Gomez, Donne Barton, Gladys Jackson, Marisel Pintado, William Appleton, Ellen Bethel, Rene Jr. Gomez, Andres Pacheco, Florence Delbean-Charles, Judith

	<p>Rodriguez, Gabriel Lefran, Cindy Timbis, Martha Gonzalez, Darilys Ginebra, Claudia Rivera, Marc Maneus, Shawsasha McCow, Laura Vinent, Pablo Vinent, Marie F. Letava, Ileana Shock, Jeanette Williams, Leigh Kopp, Jacqueline Butler-Willson, Antonette Cooper-Palmer, Jorge A. Villalon, Jorge Maceda, Gisel Prado, Luis Rodriguez, Mario Valdes, Xiomara Benavides, Rasjnick Scott Johnson, Amanda Ortiz, Mercedes Franco, Yasmin Pineda, Nereida babilonia, Paulette Charles, Cristiana Robaina, Jessica LeConte, Judy Gayoso, Goldie Jones, Fiona Lyttle, Joan Cole, Roxanne Tebo, Jessica Gonzalez, Ralph Supplice, Michelle Nunll, Etha Guffelt, Kathy Childs, Haydee Milian, Carlos A. Alonso, Pascale Malette, Diana Flenard, Barbara Divoll, Damaris Scranton, Manuel Achong, Kwame Lumumba, Gloria Rodriguez, Janet Batet, Beth Coats, Christine McAniff, Sophie Maneus, Marc Maneus, Lovely Fameaux, Viveen Brooks, Martha Gaviria, Jacques Thompson, Brian Chambers</p>	
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