

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF SARASOTA COUNTY
Planning and Outcomes Committee

March 19, 2010 Meeting Summary

Present: Elmer Berkel, Human Services Advisory Council
Karen Bogues, Community Youth Development
Kate Irwin, SCOPE
Ryan James, RBC Bank
Janet Kahn, Early Learning Coalition
Jamie Mahadeo, Sarasota County Health and Human Services
Sherri Reynolds, Sarasota County School Board
Pauline Tracy, Sarasota County Health and Human Services

Karen Bogues welcomed the members. Self-introductions were made. The November 20, 2009 meeting summary was reviewed. The following changes were made:

- Remove the section on protective factors and risk factors by school
- Remove the section on select CTC questions by school by grade
- Attach the charts

The minutes were approved with these changes.

Elder Measures Update

Karen Bogues informed the committee that Kathleen Houseweart made a presentation at the last Community Alliance meeting regarding the activities of the Aging in Place Action Team. They have been debating doing a senior needs assessment based on requests made by the agencies. They did not feel that this was necessary because so much data was already available. Karen asked the committee if this should be a project for the POC based on the recently revised role statement.

Pauline Tracy clarified that some agencies requested a needs assessment as a requirement for grants they were writing. There was no intention to make this an ongoing effort which is what would be needed for reporting on annual targets based on this information. Janet Kahn explained that many agencies as grant recipients are required to do periodic needs assessments.

Karen asked if the POC should be responsible for developing an ongoing cycle of needs assessments. Elmer Berkel noted that funding may be required for this purpose. Considering the present economic situation, where would the funding come from? Karen felt that the POC should not be relying on funding, but on best-practices. She explained that she understood that the POC could not be doing needs assessments, but they could recommend them for others to do.

The consensus was that the POC should share information and recommend input from all these agencies. The POC will try to identify which systems exist

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and ask the agencies involved to generate the data they feel needs to be included. They should also be involved in providing input on the targets.

Review Outcome Targets

Discussion ensued regarding where to set outcome targets. The concern was that input is needed from the agencies in the community who are responsible for impacting and tracking these measures. Without their input, the POC doesn't have the expertise in each subject area to determine if they are setting an acceptable and reasonable target or not.

Karen suggested that the committee use the established 2012 for 2013 and spend the next four months reviewing the document and getting feedback from impacted agencies. The consensus of the committee was to proceed with this plan. Karen suggested that the POC invite agencies who impact the health care targets to the April POC meeting to discuss setting targets.

The committee discussed existing data sources that may not have been tapped. It was suggested that they review a list of concerns generated by citizens at community meetings. They requested a copy of the study that Dr. MacManus does each year for the County on civic issues. They agreed that they should invite the health care agencies to the April meeting. Pauline suggested that the committee members use their connections to try to get representation from the Health Department, Healthy Start, and any other individuals that may be involved in these measures.

Data Summit

Karen updated the committee on the Community Alliance discussion with the HSAC regarding data issues. There is a lack of consistency in what is collected, who collects it, how it is used, etc. Discussion ensued regarding whether the POC feels they should take the leadership role in this. Issues such as lack of funding and resources were mentioned.

The POC consensus was that they would be interested in participating in the data summit. However, more information on the process is needed.

Next Meeting

The agenda for the next meeting will include a discussion of citizen input to the County (Susan MacManus study), issues of health care concerns with Healthy Start and Health Department staff, senior needs assessment, and data summit.

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The next meeting of the Planning and Outcomes Committee is scheduled for April 16 at 11:00 a.m. at the Health and Human Services Building, 2200 Ringling Boulevard in the Auditorium.