Personal Care Attendant Workforce Council

MINUTES
October 21, 2016

Held at:
Office of Policy and Management
450 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Members IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Weisselberg, Mary Caruso, Sheila Mulvey, Josh Pawelek, Carl Noll, Kathy Bruni, Kathy Flaherty, Therese Nadeau (via phone).

Members not in ATTENDANCE: William Myerson, Greg McMahon

Other Participants/Members of the Public: Steve Bender – 1199 Training and Upgrading Fund, Deborah Schwartz - 1199, Chris Drake Office of Policy and Management - Legal Counsel, Mary Hui - 1199 Training and Upgrading Fund, Laura Welles (via phone) - Sunset Shores, Sue Pastorello from Sunset Shores, Lucy Brakoniecki – CT Women’s Educational & Legal Fund, Jamie Richardson (via phone) – HP/SanData, George Chamberlain – DSS, Lori Grice – EVV Project Manager, Melissa Morton – Office of Policy and Management Planning Analyst

- Called to Order 10:07 am

- Public Comment:
  - No public comment

- Approval of Minutes from July 13, 2016
  - Motion to approve minutes made by Kathy Flaherty and seconded by Kathy Bruni – No changes or amendments - Minutes approved

- Presentation from HP/SanData on Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)
  - October 27th at 9:30 am there will be a demonstration for employers
  - EVV brief overview given by Kathy Bruni
  - Point of care ability for case manager now with EVV
  - Alert goes to care manager for quick intervention
  - This is voluntary for consumers and is not required at this time
  - SanData and DSS are talking to DDS to adapt to this, but it is first starting out with DSS
Jamie Richardson of SanData Technologies gave a quick overview of the agenda for the EVV PowerPoint presentation.

Jamie Richardson reported they have a meeting with DDS next week to discuss the EVV system on October 26th.

The EVV System is a telephonic, mobile, computer based system that works in real-time.

EVV or program similar is being used in eight other states.

**PowerPoint presentation by Jamie Richardson**

- Care givers can log in a few different ways.
- If there is no mobile phone, landline or computer available a small device can be installed and used.
- Allied has the EVV System and they have the capability to track full audit trail and to make edits if necessary.
- Sunset Shores will eventually have this capability too.
- The mobile application has a GPS component and is using check-in in real-time.
- Member Portal Solution which gives the ability to set up member/client/representative with login ability to see the report on EVV when needed in real-time and also shows the information in real-time.
- This system is HIPAA compliant.
- There are 3 methods providers can use to upload a report.
- DDS will get more information to the Council after they meet on October 26th.

**Survey results overview from Lucy Brakoniecki, Connecticut Women’s Education and Legal Fund**

- 1199 is contracted with them.
- Brief overview on where she is in the process given by Lucy Brakoniecki.
- Survey will be electronically sent out.
- Another email blast will go out from the Workforce Council for survey results.
- Chris Drake stated a web page would be set up for people to subscribe to the email list.

**Overview of PCA Orientations**

- Overview of the PCA Orientation given by Chris Drake.
- Overview was also sent as a PDF prior to today’s meeting.
- Feedback needed.
- 41 sessions as reported by 1199 Training Fund.
- 154 opt out forms received.
- 155 PCA’s completed the 30 minute session.

**Other Business**

- Dates for the 2017 calendar year passed out.
- Will need another meeting to adopt and approve calendar for 2017 meetings.
- Large consumer/employer meeting in December.
- **Adjournment**
  - Motion to adjourn made by Sue Weisselberg and seconded by Kathy Bruni
  - Meeting adjourned 12:22 pm