

Personal Care Attendant Workforce Council

MINUTES April 19, 2013

Held at:

**Office of Policy and Management
450 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06106**

***Members IN ATTENDANCE:* Janet Van Tassel, Mary Caruso, Kathy Bruni, Sheila S. Mulvey, Greg McMahon, Carl Noll, Karen Buffkin, Priscilla Tone (via phone)**

***Members NOT IN ATTENDANCE:* Leslie Simoes, Cheri Quickmire, Elizabeth Marafino, Lois Nitch**

***Invited Guests:* James Welsh**

Members of the public

9:07 a.m.

➤ **Approval of Minutes dated 04/05/2013:**

- No corrections, changes or comments
- Motion to approve minutes made, and seconded – Motion carries. Minutes approved

➤ **Presentation by DSS**

- Handout, “My Place CT” given out to members by Dawn Lambert for open discussion
This handout will be published on the website
- Presentation on DSS registry given by Dawn Lambert
- The Council had a discussion on updates being considered and discussion on Allied’s registry list, the site that connects directly with Allied; Allied contract; how screening is done; process for removal of people from list; background checks coordinated by Allied; the PCA Medicaid waivers; and transportation.

- Dawn Lambert reported on Statewide Campaign for recruiting PCA's being launched on June 25, 2013. The campaign will be in three phases.
- There will be billboards and radio ads as part of the Campaign.
- Council indicated they would like to be invited to the Campaign launch.
- Discussion on work being done in collaboration with UCONN, Boston and Community Colleges regarding training for PCAs.
- Dawn Lambert will get curriculum and send it electronically.
- The Department of Social Service is considering the possibility of a Blog for PCAs that would need to be monitored because of concerns over accidental disclosure of confidential information, and also there would be a need to ensure the resources for getting it up and running, as well as sustaining it.
- More detailed presentation will be given by Dawn Lambert or any other staff deemed appropriate on other initiatives.

➤ **Meeting Schedule**

- Agreement to modify meeting schedule.
- 05/17/2013 will be modified to 10:30 a.m. with every other meeting being scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Will be republished with amended schedule.

➤ **Adjournment:**

- Motion to Adjourn made and seconded.
- Meeting adjourned – 9:54 a.m.