Buncombe County NC - Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday 11/16/2022
Time: 3:30 pm
Location: ZOOM only

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<th>Invitees</th>
<th>Suzanne Booth</th>
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<td>Eileen McMinn</td>
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<td>Jennifer Teague</td>
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*Meg White was at the meeting, but was intermittent
Not in attendance: Dan Beerman

I. 3:30-3:35 Welcome
   a. Approve or Revise Agenda
      i. There were no additions to the Agenda.
   b. Approve or Revise Meeting Minutes – October
      i. There were no revisions to the Meeting Minutes.
      ii. Motion made by Eileen McMinn to approve the Meeting Minutes, seconded by Suzanne Booth. Motion carried.

II. 3:35-4:05 “Meet & Greet” Visits
   a. Feedback on recent visits
      i. Committee Members - Suzanne Booth, Greg Zornes, Rebecca Heartz, Eileen McMinn, and Meg White discussed their visits with the providers. Suzanne Booth’s summaries of visits will be emailed to the members.
      ii. Suggestions included having the providers do a presentation with a vision (where they are headed) and having the Committee provide more direction to the providers by giving them specific ideas of what the committee members have in mind.
      iii. The general consensus was that the Meet and Greet Visits were beneficial as in building relationships and trust and should continue next year.

III. 4:05–4:25 Discuss Possible Application Revisions
   a. Susan Schiemer updated the FY24 Aging Services Program Application. The application was reviewed.

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b. One new change was to remove the question - Explain any change of 5% or more in the proposed unit rate from the current unit rate - under the Performance Measures section. The question did not provide any additional information and could be answered in previous questions about the unit rate. A vote was taken. All committee members were in favor of removing the question.

c. Jen Teague asked the Committee if there should be a requirement for paying in-home aides more of a living wage. In the Social Services Block Grant, the County is paying non-certified aides $17/hour and certified aides $18/hour. It is an equity issue. Buncombe County’s living wage is $17/$18 per hour. There is a shortage of in-home aides and perhaps increasing the wages may help. This will be added to the application.

d. The application will be released on Tuesday, January 16, 2023. The completed applications will be due on Friday, February 24, 2023.

IV. 4:25-4:30 Determine Action Items and Next Steps
   a. The application will be finalized at the December meeting.
   b. The next meeting will be December 14 at 3:30 pm via Zoom.