## Fulton Co. Long Term Care Council

Fulton Co. Office for Aging & Youth 19 N. William St., Johnstown, NY 12095

## November 19, 2015

8:30 a.m.

## Agenda

- Welcome and Thank You!
- Connecting Our Generations event Planning Discussion
- DSRIP updates
- NYConnects
- Any Hot Topic Issues around the county?
- Agency updates
- 2016 meeting dates:
  - Thursday, January 21, 2016
  - > Thursday, April 14, 2016
  - ➤ Thursday, September 15, 2016
  - > Thursday, November 17, 2016
- Happy Holidays & Adjourn

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#### **Minutes**

- Andrea welcomed those present and thanked them for their continued support and participation in the LTC Cncl.
- Members present introduced themselves: Tracy Russo, Wells Medical Adult Day Care; Mary Peterson, Lexington; Charmaine Razics, ALTC; Sheryda Cooper, Commissioner/DSS; Andrea Fettinger, Director, Office for Aging & Youth; Maggie Luck, NLH Lifeline/County Coroner; Gail Marsh, NLHNH; Ellen Hunt, FC Public Health; Nancy Ackerbauer, Health Educator, FCPH; Mary Ann Evans, Sacandaga Task Force for Senior Living.
- Connecting Our Generations event Planning Discussion was held. Andrea offered that Gloversville High School students are planning a "Walk Off Parkinson's" event on Sunday, 4/10/16 at Knox Field. In the past we had discussed partnering with another health event to bring the Generations message and agencies together. Discussion ensued around the day of the week and time of year. Also other ideas arose: industrial park, have FAGE give tour and yogurt tastings; one of the area's big parking lots and switch one year Fulton and one year Montgomery. Andrea will call Karen Clark and David Jordan to get a planning meeting set.
- DSRIP Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program was generally explained and a few highlights from AHI and St. Mary's projects included in the discussion. More to come at future meetings.
- NYConnects Andrea reviewed progress so far on project requirements and explained that Fulton Co. is well served by the OFA and partner agencies and said that we are fortunate to have participated in the earlier systems change when NYConnects first started. Reviewed all the "doors" available in the County.

#### Roundtable Discussion:

- Maggie explained that she is seeing many younger deceased younger people in her role as County Coroner who have no preplanning done (i.e. no next of kin documented; not funerals or POA); she said that there have been many out of towners, younger disabled or ill people placed at Nursing Homes in Fulton County who have no family or contact people here. She has had to turn the deceased over to the county. Andrea mentioned that the CAREAct may help with this as now hospitals can make note of caregivers on admission/discharge papers. Community agencies present stated they have clients identify contact people on intake. Maggie also brought up that Heroin and suicides are on the increase.
- ➤ Gail from NLHNH stated that there is an increase of resident turnover; that MLTC and other insurances not covering care; they are seeing increase in return admissions; NLH new Dialysis Center will begin to be built in the Spring; Long Term Care Ombudsman has stayed constant, and she asked for new posters.
- ➤ Ellen from Public Health stated there are new employees at the agency; they are concentrating on obesity and nutrition issues for community education; using social media; the LEAD coalition is up and running and anyone is invited to participate; City of Gloversville housing stock has high level of lead content. Nancy from Public Health added that education about Heroin is continuing.
- Mary Ann Evans from STFSL shared that the organization is going to have a board retreat in January and that Andrea Fettinger has agreed to attend to assist in future planning. She noted that Leslie Ford, Northville Superintendent of Schools is a new Board member of STFSL. Mary Ann also stated that trips for Seniors have been successful via their van. She also stated that perhaps another day a week of Lunch at Red Rooster could be scheduled next year.
- Tracy from Wells House stated that MADC is doing well and that MLTC for that program has been going smoothly. MLTC payments for Nursing Home residents seem to be more difficult.
- Mary Peterson from Lexington stated that the Social Day programs are beginning to bill Fidelis and it has been challenging. She has been able to get contacts at Fidelis to get questions answered. Many changes are happening with clinics and recognition of what type of "site" and how many locations there are for service delivery.

- She also mentioned all the exciting programs happening at the Paul Nigra Center for the Arts.
- ➤ Karen from SAIL provided an update of its Open Door, ICAN, TRAID, and other great resources provided there. The number to call in Queensbury is 518-792-3537. (details not provided here and if you have questions please feel free to call Karen at this number)
- Charmaine from Adult and Long Term Care Services discussed that at the CASA association meeting a discussion about ICAN and MLTC was held. She has had experience here in the county and found that the MLTC's use a rubric that is very rigid about the time expected for tasks to be completed, usually unrealistically.
- > Shery from DSS noted that HEAP has begun and reminded that 60+ and families with children under the age of 6 call OFA for assistance and anyone else can go to DSS.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20am

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