

Peer Supporter Technical Assistance Call
Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2015 12-1pm

Facilitator: Sharon Fitzpatrick, OhioMHAS

Light Housekeeping Announcements

- Reminder one person at a time to speak
- Lengthy issues will be taken off line to be discussed to give as many folks as possible the opportunity to share
- Mute your phone when not speaking
- Thanks to Lynette Cashaw-Davis for taking notes today in the absence of Nicole Clevenger who had a schedule conflict

Introductions - folks announced who they were are where they were from

Minutes from the March 12th Peer Supporter TA Call

- Minutes from the 1st meeting can be found on the OhioMHAS website: mha.ohio.gov/ → go to Support tab → click on Peer Support → on right side of the page - Technical Assistance Calls section is right below the Peer Support email address
- Once we get the path from Nicole, the minutes will also be available on the Case Western website

Sign up to the Email List

To be added to the mailing list to receive minutes and other notifications, send an email to peersupport@mha.ohio.gov

Feedback from the March 12th TA call

- Information was very helpful and informative for peer supporters
- Dennis Hitchcock sent information about ways to get CE credits
- Phil attended the March 27th meeting in Zanesville

Brief Update on Peer Supporter Training

- Collaboration between OEC and OCAAR (Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery) to present the new model integrated curriculum.
- So far 412 folks have completed the training, taken the test and received the certificate of completion.
- Discussion of where to get trainings for the Peer Supporter continuing Education requirement:
 - Lynette offered that most mental health or addiction related trainings will qualify
 - Be sure to get a certificate of completion from any trainings/conferences you attend.
 - Contact Megan McNeil at OEC (614-310-8054) for further information and to receive notices about upcoming training opportunities
 - The OhioMHAS sponsored E-Based Academy is a great resource for free training on a variety of subjects – www.ebasedacademy.org. They are in process of updating the site and will be offline beginning May 1st. They will re-launch in June at which time they will be able to open new accounts.
 - Case Western frequently offers trainings on evidence based practices. These types of trainings would also count towards Peer Supporter continuing education
 - Also – NAMI's Family to Family classes would count as well

- For other events such as the Athens Photographic project and the Speakers Bureau collaboration with Neo Med - Sharon will follow-up offline asking more questions and will contact Jack and Donna, from OEC and OCAAR respectively, to determine if those kinds of events would count towards CE credits.

CFPT Update:

- The Consumer and Family Partnership Team program was created to bring persons with lived experience of mental health or addictions or their family members' voices within the mental health systems via workgroups or committees generated by the department.
- Also part of the funds have historically been for scholarship for folks to attend conferences. After the merger of ODMH and ODADAS, we advocated for funds for folks with substance use disorders but the Mental Health Block Grant funds couldn't be used. So we've had to find money to fund those folks. \$5,000 was allocated but this was not nearly enough and so the funding for mental health folks versus AOD folks has not been balanced.
- Due to differences in the drawn down allowances for the MH Block Grant and the SAPT funds – the AOD funding is slower being paid. So what that means is that mileage and stipend reimbursement funds for AOD folks are delayed.

How to get on the CFPT Availability List:

- We have orientation 2 / per year with OEC where we tell you all about the program, take your names to put you into the database. AOD folks can send Sharon an email to say “keep me informed about the next CFPT Orientation” and request an invitation
- the next CFPT orientation - tentatively 5/18
- Sharon will also will make sure that announcement it gets on our website

Round Robin

- Mike McDowell – ABH (on leave) heard about call through email
- Joanne Cook, - received email as through OEC's website- has volunteered with folks with developmental disabilities; also with Circle of Hope a faith based support group; she is former president of the ACAC of the Cuyahoga County Board.
- Lisa Marie Griffin – Summit County – involved with OCATS(Ohio Center for Advocacy and Training) and a speakers bureau trainer also a national trainer for NAMI and mentor; on the community reentry and mental health committee.
- Dee Adams, Hamilton County - SBH peer supporter – heard through emails.
- Phil Turner – Muskingum — Cambridge Behavioral Hospital – Patient advocate – email through OEC email list
- Doc Hecker – through OEC email –first forensic peer in state in 07 - will send question to Sharon directly
- Deb Angel, Lucas County - on OEC email group – Recovery Council chair – Mental Health First Aid trainer – wants to get a job in the field
- Lynette Cashaw-Davis, Franklin County– Recovery Advocate and board member of OCAAR; found out about the calls from Jackie Doodley at OhioMHAS
- Joey Supina - Executive Director of Sandusky Artisans in Sandusky - board member for OEC and OCAAR Have been authorized to hire 2 peer supporters through their board and will be a clearing house for peer supporters. If you live in the Sandusky area - Look us up and apply.

Future Programming Events

Since housing is such a huge issue in Ohio, would like for this group to hear about the RSS program. This program helps people go from institutions into the community. The administrator of this program is Ellie Jazi. If folks are interested, we will plan a webinar to share information

about housing for folks to share (will be a video conference through the regional hospitals.
Sharon will follow up

Next Call Information

Next call will be on May 14, 2015 from 12 – 1pm. Call in number: (614)644-1098