

**SPF SIG Advisory Committee
March 21, 2012, Meeting Minutes
Telephone Conference Call**

Committee Members

Present:

Dawn Thomas
John Bohley
Gregory Jefferson
Kathie Chaffee

Nick Martt
SGT Cheryl Danielson
Michael Langford
Chengwu Zhang

Brad Williams
Elaine Georgas
Jackie Pollard

Not Present:

Stephanie Adrian
Stacey Gibson
Orman Hall
Lyman Montgomery
LTC David Seitz
Mollie Stevens
Eric Wolf

Phil Atkins
Tonia Gray
Ellie Jazi
Judi Moseley
Robert Smedley
CPT Matthew Toomey
Rod Woods

Kathy Coate-Ortiz
Janet Groome
Terry Koons
Marcie Seidel
Sanford Starr
Eloise Traina

Guests:

Katie Steedly

Tracee Garrett

Welcome:

Dawn Thomas welcomed the Advisory Committee and apologized for the problem with the call in passcode number. A new call in number passcode was emailed to the Advisory Committee as soon as it was discovered that the call in number passcode was malfunctioning.

Discussion:

The January 18, 2012, minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

Molly Stone was not available to give the SPE update as planned so Dawn gave the Advisory Committee a brief update. Dawn told the Advisory Committee that SPE is a 1-year grant that focuses on statewide prevention planning and the enhancement of our state's prevention infrastructure. Utilizing the SPF, there will be a SPE Policy Consortium comprised of state departments and community stakeholders who will work to develop a 5-year statewide prevention plan to focus on behavioral health issues. The Minnesota Institute of Public Health (MIPH) has had a lot of experience working with other states and their SPE's, so they are going to be assisting Ohio in the strategic planning process and facilitating this process. This is not the kind of grant we can give to communities. It is not like the SPF at all; it is really just an enhancement grant. The Policy Consortium has met twice. At the meeting in February, they began working on a collaborative team to identify who needs to be at the table. The Policy Consortium will be meeting monthly as they continue to work on the development of the plan. Molly will attend the SPF SIG Advisory Committee meetings as needed to provide updates on SPE. The SPE grant is only for 1 year and ends June 30, 2012.

Dawn gave the Advisory Committee an update on the SPF SIG Carryover Application and the SPF SIG Continuation Application. She told them that the Carryover Application was submitted the first of February and approval has not yet been received. She reminded the Advisory Committee that when we do receive the carryover funds, it is usually late and we have to spend the funds by June 30. We have not informed the Boards yet because we have not received carryover approval from SAMHSA

Dawn stated that since the Advisory Committee is the governing body of the SPF process, she wanted to let them know the full details of the process. The Carryover Application has to be a project that is different than what we are currently doing. Carryover funds cannot be utilized to fund additional SPF coalitions and the funds cannot be used for Opiate Taskforces or similar projects. The funds have to be used to enhance the SPF and it also has to be something that is part of our approved SPF Strategic Plan.

Dawn discussed that part of the SPF process is to build the framework and spread the infrastructure throughout the state. We knew awarding grants to 13 ADAMHS/ADAS Board Areas weren't going to really impact the entire state. The plan is to have the 13 Board Areas mentor neighboring communities. As a part of the Carryover Plan, a SPF Conference has been planned for May 30-31. Another aspect of the carryover plan is to implement AlcoholEdu, a web-based program for alcohol misuse prevention that targets college students. After attending the federal SPF grantee meeting last November in DC, SAMSHA/CSAP is requiring Cohort IV to collect individual data. Ohio's Project Officer, Tonia Gray worked with Ohio's SPF SIG Project Team to come up with a solution to meet the federal reporting requirements. Ohio's solution is to implement AlcoholEdu with SPF SIG Sub-recipients that have a target focus on alcohol and have colleges and universities in their Board. Once the Carryover Application is approved ODADAS will be able to pay for 2 years of implementation of this program in our SPF SIG Sub-recipient communities that are working directly with colleges and universities. We expect to implement this program in 7 ADAMHS/ADAS Board areas (tentative 12 campuses) . This will give our communities an opportunity to begin building relationships with neighboring colleges and universities and help us work more effectively with our target population of 18-25 year olds as well as give us some critical data. More importantly, it will satisfy our federal reporting requirements with SAMHSA/CSAP.

Our biggest obstacle is waiting on Carryover approval from CSAP. When we finally get the "yes", we will be moving extremely fast to get things done in terms of conference planning, releasing funds to the other ADAMHS/ADAS Boards, etc. The carryover funds will focus on prevention workforce development. The Department is requiring the ADAMHS/ADAS Boards to get SPF training and send representatives to the SPF Spring Conference. Other than that, Boards can send AOD Providers to CADCA, they can have someone come in – maybe you have been waiting to have someone you would really like or a trainer in your region and they are really expensive; now is the time to do that. Anything that you all can do as the Advisory Committee to encourage your ADAMHS/ADAS Boards to take that money and utilize it to develop a prevention workforce would be greatly appreciated.

A Member of the Advisory Committee asked if the other 13 Sub-recipients might receive money for workforce development or training they would like to schedule. Dawn replied that last year there were 2 or 3 counties that refused the money and should that happen again this year, she will check with SAMHSA/CSAP to see if this is allowable.

Dawn provided some information about the federal fiscal process as well as Ohio's fiscal process. She told the Advisory Committee that even though this is a federal grant, ODADAS has to request authority

to spend this carryover money. So once ODADAS receives a yes from SAMHSA, we still have to go before our Controlling Board in Ohio and request spending authority.

The Continuation Application was submitted, and we don't have any reason to think it will not be approved. We are waiting for CSAP to approve both of these. But the Carryover Application was submitted prior to the Continuation Application.

We are working internally to determine the SPF SIG GFA process and want to make it as easy as possible for the ADAMHS/ADAS Boards. The Department will most likely request that the Boards submit a budget and budget narrative and then allocate the funds accordingly. Dawn is working to determine those deadlines and will be working with Fiscal as soon as this meeting is over.

Tracee Garrett, Global Insight, provided a SPF SIG training update and focused on the SPF website which is now completed. The SPF Website can be accessed directly through the ODADAS website at www.odadas.state.oh.us (click on the SPF flower). She discussed the training series on the Millennials which were recorded and the webinars can be accessed through the SPF website. Tracee also discussed the Foundations in Prevention Course. There will be a series of 12 classes developed and they are currently being implemented with Hamilton County as a pilot. Global Insight has also been doing site visits with OSET to find out the training needs of the SPF SIG Sub-recipient communities.

Katie Steedly, OSET Team, gave an update on the SPF SIG Evaluation Activities. She told the Advisory Committee that the counties were currently engaged in the needs assessment guidebook and completing the needs assessment process. She referred to the SPF SIG Sub-recipient update document Dawn emailed to the Advisory Committee noting that each one looked different for each county. She said the counties are looking at the data and where they want to focus in terms of populations and this is occurring along with completing the Needs Assessment Guidebook. She said that OSET is introducing the Community Logic Model during site visits conducted in March and April. Katie noted that the wrap around concept of ODADAS, OSET and Global has been a really positive approach.

Closing:

Dawn thanked everyone for being part of the Committee and told them their comments and concerns are really appreciated as we move forward and she looks forward to meeting with them in May.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.; call in number will be provided.