

Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance Meeting Minutes- Riverside Hotel – September 11, 2015

Members Present: Maggie Strowd, Chair, Doug Graves, Karen Neill, Co-Chair, Len Humphries, Aaron Hooper

Members Present Via Telephone: Sue Welch

Members Absent: Dan Bristol

Staff Present: Luann Dettman, Anne Chatfield, Margie Strong

Guests Present: Amy Hugon, Bryan Lyda

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome	Maggie Strowd, Chair, called the meeting to order. Introductions were conducted.	
Minutes	Maggie requested approval/disapproval action on the May 1, 2015 meeting minutes.	Karen made a Motion to approve the May 1, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Doug seconded the Motion, and it was carried unanimously.
Executive Session	The Council went into Executive Session.	Maggie made a Motion to enter into an Executive Session. Len seconded the Motion, and it was carried unanimously.
Coalition Update	<p>Bryan Lyda, Senior Program Specialist at the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence provided the Council with an update and overview on the Coalition’s current projects.</p> <p>Bryan reported that the Coalition would be bringing in Dr. Chris Sullivan in October for a Housing First Training. In November, the Coalition will be holding their annual Compassionate Communities Conference on November 3rd and 4th.</p>	
Two Days in June Conference	Anne reported to the Council that the Two Days in June Conference was a success again this year, with approximately 400 participants. The Conference evaluations indicated that the majority of the participants received excellent information at	

	<p>the Conference this year.</p> <p>Anne informed the Council that the 2016 Conference is scheduled for June 2nd and 3rd, 2016 in Boise at the Riverside Hotel.</p> <p>Anne requested direction from the Council on a location and venue for the 2017 Two Days in June Conference, as contracting needed to be secured in the near future. The Council discussed the 2017 Two Days in June Conference and elected to remain in Boise. Sue requested that the Council poll funded programs via a survey to determine future Conference locations.</p>	
<p>Offender Intervention Update</p>	<p>Karen provided an update from the CODVOIPS Committee meeting held on September 10, 2015. Karen informed the Council that the Committee approved two new Offender Intervention Programs, Lemhi Valley Social Services and A New Path Counseling. She also informed the Council that the Committee received notification that ACES Community Health Services will no longer be providing offender intervention services. The Committee also reviewed several applications for New Direct Service Supervisors and Direct Service Providers.</p> <p>The Committee discussed requests for training on the Standards for Domestic Violence Offender Intervention Programs and future training opportunities to include Regional trainings, webinars, and specialized trainings at the Two Days in June Conference. Karen said that that a survey would be distributed to all Offender</p>	

	<p>Intervention Programs on topics of Interest.</p> <p>Karen spoke about the need for outcome studies/evaluations on Offender Intervention Programs. Karen would like the Providers to begin providing CODVOIPS with more outcome data on their programs and practices in the future. The Committee agreed and will be discussing the types of data that will be compiled and reported on at the next Committee meeting.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the need for updating the current Minimum Standards for Domestic Violence Offender Intervention Programs that were adopted in 2011. The Committee will begin working on the updates at the next meeting in preparation of having these completed by August 2016 for the 2017 Legislative Session.</p> <p>Karen informed the Council that there were no Offender Intervention Program site visits conducted during this quarter. Karen stated the Committee discussed the need for increased monitoring and programs' accountability in meeting the Standards. Karen informed the Council that Luann had presented the Committee with the new Offender Invention Programs monitoring form and explained the new monitoring process to include a more comprehensive analysis of the programs. Karen also explained the need to update the Application forms, as in some areas they do not reflect the language in the Standards.</p> <p>Telehealth options were further discussed from the previous Committee meeting. The Committee</p>	
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	<p>again felt that it was not an accepted modality for Offender Intervention Treatment at this time, but would consider it in the future as more research is conducted.</p>	
Office Update	<p>Luann provided the Council with the current financial information.</p> <p>Luann informed the Council that she had contacted Dr. Lisa Bostaph regarding the final report for the Needs Assessment of Victim Services that was originally scheduled for July 1, 2015, and was told that the Council will receive the report on October 1, 2015.</p> <p>Luann informed the Council that the Governor's Office appointed Aaron Hooper as the Region II Representative, and reappointed Doug Graves, Region IV, and Len Humphries, Region VII, for another term.</p> <p>Luann provided the Council with a short overview on the 2015 VOCA Conference that she and Anne attended in Washington, D.C. in August. Luann informed the Council that there were several discussions on the new VOCA Regulations and the updated Performance Measures Report, but they were both still in draft form and had not been approved yet. It is anticipated that they will be sent out within the next few months.</p>	<p>Luann will send the final report to the Council upon receipt.</p>
Program Updates	<p>Luann informed the Council that Jennifer Smith, Executive Director at Family Safety Network, has resigned and that Emily Bilcher has been promoted to Interim Executive Director.</p>	

	<p>Luann reported that Rebeca Irwin, Executive Director with Lemhi County Crisis Intervention/Mahoney House, has resigned and the board is currently seeking a replacement.</p> <p>Luann informed the Council that she has received several calls from Board members with the Mini-Cassia Shelter. She reported that the Board has been working diligently to position themselves for future funding. Sue recommended that they reach out to other funded programs for ideas on fundraising and funding opportunities.</p>	
<p>Program Monitoring</p>	<p>Luann informed the Council that site visits to Victim Services Programs were not conducted during this quarter.</p> <p>Luann informed the Council that, at the 2015 VOCA Conference, State Administrators were told that the Office of Inspector General (OIG) would be increasing the VOCA recipient monitoring in all States, not only at the State level but at the subgrantee level as well. Luann expressed the need to increase funded program oversight through a more comprehensive monitoring process to ensure that programs will be in compliance for a potential OIG monitoring site visit.</p> <p>Luann presented the Council with the new monitoring form and explained the new monitoring process, which will include a more comprehensive analysis of the programs. She stated that the office is currently working on the site visit schedule and that monitoring will resume in the next few weeks.</p>	

VOCA Funding Discussion	The Council elected to table this discussion until the release of the approved VOCA regulations that should be coming out soon.	Luann will provide the Council with updates as she receives them.
Future Meeting Dates	December 11, 2015 March 4, 2016 May 6, 2016 August 12, 2016 December 2, 2016	
Adjourn	The Meeting adjourned.	Karen made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Len seconded the Motion, and it was carried unanimously.