

Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery

Quality Committee

Minutes

March 2, 2018

Present: Lacey Agresta, Debbie Duch, David Fath, Paul Freund, Sarah Goldstein, Jenn House, Anthony Lucas, Christopher Shepherd, Cindy Simpson

I. Welcome and Introductions

Room 1373 CCBHO, Pittsburgh PA 11:30-1:00 pm

II. Review Minutes from February 2, 2018

First Motion: David Fath, Second Motion: Debbie Duch
Minutes Accepted

III. Announcements

a. Steering Committee updates

Paul Freund, member of the Quality Committee, is the new Provider Chair of the Steering Committee. Congratulations Paul. The Steering Committee will vote whether or not to meet monthly moving forward. The Steering Committee will continue to work on the logic model.

b. Volunteer for ACCR Dinner Planning Committee

Charlene Saner of the Public Awareness Committee is organizing the ACCR awards dinner. She is looking for members of each Committee to be on the planning committee. Any QI members interested should contact Charlene.

c. Announcements from Committee members

The CCBHO Day of Self Discovery is May 17, 2018 at Rodef Shalom in Oakland. David Brent will be the keynote speaker. AHCI will hold a conference on October 19, 2018. It will be geared towards people in recovery. The PA Peer Support Coalition will hold an event on April 6, 2018 at State College, PA. April 17, 2018 Capital Day in Harrisburg. Direct support for professional wages for persons with mental illness will be the agenda item. The goal is to reduce reliance on public money.

IV. First Responders Project

a. Update on Poster/Next Steps

It is still the goal to present the Recovery Walk posters to Allegheny County and City of Pittsburgh Councils. The events can be photographed and the pictures put on the ACCR website. Lacey Agresta's blog on the ACCR website details the Recovery Walk event.

V. Thinking forward to Next Project

a. Expansion/ Same Theme

b. Collaboration with another committee

I RCD Update

David Fath and Anthony Lucas met with Sarah Goldstein and Wes Sowers to discuss a QI Committee collaboration with the Collaborative for Recovery Dialogues(CFRD). The CFRD are small, intimate closed door events which are generally not observable. They focus on relationships not public education. It is likely that such a collaboration would not serve the QI Committee's purposes. The QI Committee is looking for a larger audience for an event and bring strangers together. Such an event could be a town hall type. It would require a great deal of work and may be beyond the scope of the QI Committee. The overall goal of any project would be stigma reduction in the substance use disorder committee.

II Public Awareness Suggestion

The Public Awareness Committee will hold an event soon. They have asked for some assistance from the QI Committee. The QI Committee would have a support role. It was suggested that the QI Committee could assist with documents and perhaps a monetary donation.

III Other ideas

Paul Freund spoke of the need for the QI Committee and all ACCR Committees to work towards the strategic plan. He suggested the strategic plan be finalized and a strategic goal be set before any collaboration. He suggested ACCR focus on training, education and recovery models for new staff in Allegheny County. Recovery is not often part of formal curriculum's in education. It was suggested that an ACCR Conference could be a good idea. Whether or not to participate in this year's Recovery Walk has not yet been decided. If ACCR participates, last year's posters could be reduced and reproduced for distribution. ACCR could establish some form of a Center for Excellence Award concerning recovery where an Allegheny County agency could earn a designation which they could then promote.

**Next Meeting: Friday April 6, 2018 from 11:30 am- 1:00 pm Room
1373 CCBHO, 339 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA**

Thank You