Direct Support Professional Training (DSPT)

FNRC Regional Advisory Meeting

September 17th, 2019

**Minutes**

**Welcome, Introductions**

* Service Hub Representatives (coordinator(s), trainer(s), proctor(s))
* Regional Center Representatives
* Regional Center Vendored Community Care Facility Provider Representatives
* CDE-Tara Neilson/SBCOE-not in attendance/DDS - Raymond Usac

**Review and Approval of Minutes-** Minutes from 2018 were reviewed and approved

**Purpose of DSPT Advisory Committee Meeting-**Jean read the purpose

* To ensure that the Challenge Testing and Training are sufficiently scheduled to meet the needs of eligible DSPs within the Service Hub’s regional center catchment area
* Provide updates from DDS and CDE on DSPT program issues
* Address and resolve issues related to the DSPT program within the local regional center catchment area
* Provide Training and Testing aggregate results

**California Department of Developmental Services Report**

* Program updates:

1. Handling phone calls, emails and the help desk; updating the curriculum based on previous ideas, change to Amoxicillin number has been made to #30; translating curriculum will not be done at this time, Spanish will be first language for translation Note: the translations will only be available online; DSP 3 is not being considered at this time.

* Legislation:

1. HCBS waiver: Raymond is attending trainings on this
2. For EBSH – DSPs must have DSP 1 and 2 within the first year. Employers of DSPs in ARFPSHN facilities would also like their DSPs to have both Year 1 and Year 2 within the first year of employment.

* Program quality management system:

1. DDS will have a Southern California location in Costa Mesa

**California Department of Education Report**

* Materials and supply issues:

1. New guides are effective Oct 1st, 2019
2. Tara Neilson is the new point of contact at the CDE. Mark Shaffer is the fiscal point of contact.
3. Recertification of DSPs was in August 2019. Information was collected from parking lots and surveys. CDE has responded to much of the feedback. Best practices were also shared. The emphasis will be on updating the curriculum with the work done in 2017 and 2018 at the August recertification.
4. Procedure manuals have been updated also.

* Local coverage (issues, development of formal agreements, etc.):

1. all MOUs have been signed
2. 2020 recertification will be Aug 3-5 in San Bernadino and will be a workshop format. Suggestions for workshops include case management, trauma, behavior, LGBTQ

* Fiscal issues:

1. Payments issues are to being resolved.

**San Bernardino County Office of Education Report**

* Testing and Training results:
  + FNRC Pass/Fail rates for 2018-19 are:

Year 1 99% 142/143

Year 2 100% 66/66

Year 1 Challenge 0% 0/2

Year 2 Challenge 0% 0/0

Over all pass/fail rates are very good and in line with other Regionals Centers.

**Service Hub Report**

* Training and Challenge Testing schedule
  + 2018-19 Trainings: 9 -Year 1 Trainings 5 -Year 2 Trainings

1 -Year 1 and 2 Challenge each - location Chico

* + 2019-20 Trainings: 10 -Year 1 Trainings 57 -Year 2 Trainings

1 -Year 1 and 2 Challenge each - location Redding

* There is an increase in the number of no shows at the trainings. There are likely several reasons including: DSP quits before training starts, scheduling and/or transportation issues. It is not possible to send a reminder to DSPs at this time.

The enrollment caps will be increased by a couple of slots to help insure the classes are more available.

**Regional Center Report**

* Med errors, even in ARFPUSN homes were discussed. DSPs are given three chances to pass the med skill check in DSP training. Errors include SL facilities and these employees do not take the DSP training. There are also issues with the pharmacy. Most errors are due to distractions during the assisting with medications. It was also suggested that there are different ways to assist with medications and it may be confusing for some DSPs. They learn one way in class but meds are done very differently in the facility.
* There has been feedback from providers that they would like some classes to start later in the morning because DSPs are needed to get individuals to day program.
* There was feedback that some providers do not think there are enough trainings offered.

**Provider Representative(s) Input -** no providers were in attendance

**Next Meeting -** September 15th Tuesday in Chico at noon

**Recap and Closure**