Direct Support Professional Training (DSPT)

NBRC Regional Advisory Meeting

September 20th, 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(not present)/SBCOE-Arturo Chavez, Tina Silva and Vicki Baylus via phone/DDS Representatives – Raymond Usac(also representing CDE)

**Review and Approval of Minutes-** 2018-19 minutes 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**

* Raymond Usac explained that DDS is contracted with CDE to do the DSPT and then in turn CDE contracts with the Hubs for payment.
* 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

Also a mini workshop for new trainers

* Fiscal issues:

1. Payments issues are to being resolved. Good handle on new fiscal software.

**San Bernardino County Office of Education Report**- contracted to provide the DSPT website, helpline and registration /testing materials. Some administrators are still registering their DSPs online.

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

Year 1 98% 122/124

Year 2 93% 83/89

Year 1 Challenge 0% 0/0

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 8 -Year 2 Trainings

0 - Year 1 and 2 Challenge

* + 2019-20 Trainings: 12 - Year 1 Trainings 12-Year 2 Trainings

1 -Year 1 and 2 Challenge each - location Sonoma COE

**Regional Center Report**

1. Some administrators share that weekend classes would be helpful. DSPs have other part-time jobs so during the week is difficult.

2. RC would like a flyer that can be sent to providers. DDS will provide that.

3. Challenge test at SCOE in January 2020

4. RC would like an electronic version of the 19-20 sent to them. Jean will do this.

**Provider Representative(s) Input**

1**.** Difficult for providers to schedule their DSPs**.**

2. The provider present appreciated the expanded 19-20 schedule. This will make scheduling easier.

3. Could some of the training be online? Maybe half online and half in class?

**Next Meeting -** September 18th, 2020 Friday, SCOE Santa Rosa 12-2 pm

**Recap and Closure**