
TUCSON PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

Discharge Planning Committee

October 27, 2009 Minutes

Chair: Daniel Haley

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 2:30-4:00 p.m. CPSA, 100 N. Stone Ave., Suite 300
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Report to TPCCH General Meeting November 12th

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TOPICS DISCUSSED

- 1. Minutes.** Wayne Steele moved and Kristina Lunde seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted by consensus. **Motion passed.**
- 2. Community Discharge Plan.** Nick Jones reported that he spent quite a bit of time with Continuum of Care (CoC) Consultants' Steven Wind describing the community's discharge planning efforts for homeless persons from foster care, hospitals, jails and prisons.
 - **Next step.** Nick will ask Steven to forward the finalized discharge plan to the committee.
- 3. "Guidelines on Getting Out".**
 - **Update.** Completed brochures were given to committee members. Nick reported that Old Pueblo Community Services has paid the printers, Unicom Graphics, and is awaiting the 50% reimbursement from TPCCH.
 - **Distribution.** Participants discussed how best to distribute the booklets. Nick reported that he took one-half box to the local parole office. Dan noted he is currently working with the Arizona Department of Corrections' (ADC) Charles Flanagan and will ask him to assist in distribution through the ADC.
 - **Next steps.** Dan will take a box to the Pima County Jail and report back to the committee about the appropriate next steps for distribution through the ADC.
- 4. Old Business.**
 - **Hospitals.** Participants discussed next what the appropriate next steps for working with hospitals regarding the discharge of homeless people should be. Betty Bitgood asked. Nick noted that the committee used to hold informational meetings for discharge nurses and social workers in each area hospital. Also invite a Compass representative to explain what Compass can do
 - **Next steps. a.)** Dan will approach hospitals' discharge planning supervisors regarding presentations by committee members. .
 - b.)** Dan will contact Compass Health Care to invite them to send a representative to the committee and the hospitals to describe their services.
- 5. New Business. .**
 - **Access to Recovery.** Nick reported that this methamphetamine recovery program has begun.
 - **PREP.** Kristina reported that the PREP program continues. In January, PREP will begin working with a U.S. Department of Labor evaluation contractor in a comparative study in which it will refer a percentage of qualified applicants to other service providers in order to compare results by program type.
- 6. Next meeting:** Meeting was set for Tuesday, November 24th, CPSA, 100 N. Stone Avenue, Suite 300, and later cancelled in favor of a January 26th meeting.

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