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KCDD Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2021 -9:00AM-12:00PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 857 0542 2962

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Members Present: Alters, Chaffin, Keck, Meitner, (Zajic for Moore), Schwindt, Story,(Burgess for Nichols), Smith, Seymour-Hunter, Heiman, Seitz, (Swindler for Shogren), Stiffler, Padding, (Bowles for Penrod), Martinez, McLemore, Fairchild

Staff Present: Gieber, Knutson, Schroeder, Long, Cobbs

Citizen: Adams

Members Absent: Tweedy, Darnell, Fessler, Decker

Call to Order: Chair Keck called the meeting to order 9:04 with a quorum present.

Public Comments: No Public Comments

Minutes: Stiffler made a motion to approve the March 12, 2021 Minutes. Chaffin Second. Motion Pass.

Legislative Update: Gieber provided the council with update on bill in the Senate & House Action Report - **H 2122** Bill by Federal and State Affairs Enacting the **supported decision-making** agreements act to provide a statutory framework for adults who want decision-making assistance; **H 2150** Bill by Children and Seniors Creating a definition of financial exploitation, requiring additional mandatory reporters and increasing investigation days in the abuse, neglect and financial exploitation of certain adults; **H 2151** Bill by Children and Seniors Creating Kansas elder and dependent adult abuse multidisciplinary



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teams and a coordinator; **H 2443** AKA Kathy’s Bill H 2443 Bill by Appropriations Providing an employment preference for persons with a disability for state government positions.

Tech Update: Review of the scoring of the Executive Committee Meeting on who will qualify to receive a phone. Martinez made a motion approve applicants with a score of ten, but not the ones with a score of five. Alters Second. Motion Pass. Martinez made a motion to approve to extend current phone recipients another six months. Keck Second. Motion Pass. Recommendation to full committee. **Full Council Vote:** McLemore made a motion to extend funding of the phones for another six months. Swindler Second. Motion Pass.

Disability Policy Seminar: Will be virtual this year, April 19-22, 2021 with 12 council members & staff participating: Gieber, Keck, Schroeder, Knutson, McLemore, Heiman, Alters, Seitz, Story, Meitner, Long, & Adams.

Evaluations: Due this month Council & Executive Director Evaluations

5 Yrs. Plan: Group discussion on KCDD Proposed 5 Year Plan for FY22-26

Goal 1: Create Leaders and Empower Advocacy

Objective 1: Establish and Strengthen Statewide Self Advocacy (DD Act Requirement). **Objective 2:** Support advocacy training and development programs for family members

Goal 1: Lead Systems Change

Objective 1: Increase Awareness of Informal and Formal Supports Services with a focus on Transitions across the Lifespan. **Objective 2:** Increased awareness and participation of early childhood and education interventions and supports for English as a Second Language (ESL) Latinx Kansas families with children with disabilities (Targeted Disparity). **Objective 3:** Cultivate innovative solutions for Kansans with I/DD on the waiting list and those who seek more individualized support



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options. **Objective 4:** Increase Protections from Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation. **Objective 5:** Increased utilization of Supported Decision Making (DD Network Collaboration Measure).

CDDO Contract: The KCDD staff reviewed the CDDO Contract statement 2021 of the vision of services for future changes and improvements in the service system in Kansas. The KCDD staff would like the state agency and the CDDO’s to consider the following major issues/trends as they discuss the future or services in Kansas.

1) Issue: Abuse Neglect and Exploitation- Recommendation: Keep the quality function of the CDDO and Providers in mind for additional staffing, streamline any processes to be urgent in your responses. (perhaps some of the recovery funds could be used to support this increased workload). **2) Issue: Waiting List: Recommendation:** Overall need an understanding of who is on the waiting list in Kansas and to anticipate and plan for what types of supports and services people coming off the waiting list need, when they need them, and where they need those services. **3) Issue:** Reduction in the number of people in Supported Employment- **Recommendation:** Every CDDO should have an affiliate agreement with VR provider to ensure employment is available to all people with IDD, should be knowledgeable about the employment service system and challenge the system to move people to a greater level of independence. **4) Issue: COVID19,** Current system of congregate setting isn’t effective at keeping people safe and a need for more information of the vaccines to make informed decisions. **Recommendation:** Move more people to individualized services that are not dependent on grouping people efficiency and resources need to be focused on this issue so all who want the vaccine have the information and opportunity to be vaccinated.

COVID Funds: Funds being made available through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) for councils to address COVID-19 concerns in their state. **The rules are simpler** – if states decide to take the money (yes it is a choice) it does not have to be tied to their State Plan and has much more flexibility of what they can do with the funds than if it were part of their appropriation.



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Meeting Adjourned: 12:00

2021 KCDD Council Meetings:

Every month on the Second Fri, 12 occurrence(s)

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Mar 12, 2021 09:00 AM

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May 14, 2021 09:00 AM

Jun 11, 2021 09:00 AM

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Note: KCDD Meetings are open to the public. A time for public comment is made available.