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HCA Training Facility
750 The City Drive South, Ste #130 / Laguna Room
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MEETING NOTES

*Great works are performed not by strength, but by perseverance.
~ Samuel Johnson*

1. **Welcome, Reflection and Introductions:** Karyl Dupée, Chair
Members present- Hasan Vu, Karyl Dupee, Natalie Nguyen, Eleni Hailemariam, Claudia Ojeda, Joshua Kim, Nicole Albie, Linda Smith, Helen Cameron, Chase Wickersham, Bhuvana Rao, Uyen Tran, Alan Albright, Christine Tran – Le, Jocelyn Rubio.
2. **Public Comment:** N/A
3. **New Business:**
 - A. 1) In order to better ascertain what the actual gaps and needs are in older adult behavioral health services in Orange County, the Council has been reviewing existing services and programs currently available by hearing presentations directly from local providers and contractors.

Karyl set some goals for upcoming months, including details on what the committee will be focusing on. She provided an update on the Innovation concept project, currently the INN office has submitted the request for extra help positions and that request is still pending review and approval. The INN team met with one of our research analysts who is currently working with our Older Adults programs to request her support on this proposal. She is currently conducting a literature review on services for older adults, and more specifically, for the types of complex care management services we are proposing in this concept. Karyl provided INN team with a name of the prospective consultant / research analyst. She expressed the need to continue to keep working collaboratively on the next steps. She asked the group who we should be reaching out to next and secondly who would be willing to collect data on this concept. Currently there is no data on this concept, the idea is to create data for this and create questions in a possible survey to provide to providers that currently treat this population. Christine suggested reaching out to the Hoag, St Jude and other full care management providers that can help with providing these surveys to the older adult population they are targeting. Such physicians would

include primary care doctors. In addition, Christine suggested educating providers on the subject.

Dr. H questioned if we can formulate questions and attach additional questions to an already build survey. She suggested that this should be a collaborative effort with other agencies such as CalOptima. Not only include general health and mental health but also substance use too.

Natalie suggested reaching out to Adult Protective Services (APS). Helen Cameron suggested reaching out to other agencies such as meals on wheels to try and reach a variety of population. Karyl suggested to reach out to only providers who provide treatment.

Karyl suggested that the INN office will want to hear how big this problem is, what services are needed, and how much funding will be needed for this project. These are the questions that this committee should focus on and identify to be prepared should the State request this information.

Dr. H suggested to reach out to discharge planners at geropsychiatry units.

Karyl suggested Agencies that she will be reaching out to:

Alzheimer's Association, Office on Aging, IHS, Geropsychiatry Hospital, UCI Senior Health, APS, Meals on Wheels, Easter Seals, Pathways, OASIS, Dayle Macintosh.

Suggested survey questions:

1. How many dual diagnosis are they seeing, that are 55 and older?
2. How many days does a dual-diagnosed client stay longer than a client with only a mental health diagnosis?
3. How many of your dual diagnosed clients are homeless or in risk of homelessness?
4. In discharged panning for a neuro cognitive and mental health client, what is the diagnosis that the provider is discharging for initially?
5. How many dual diagnosed clients have a substance use disorder diagnosis?
6. Does your agency have a post discharge tracking for dual diagnosed clients?
7. How many of your dual diagnosed clients are veterans?

Adjourn: 3:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 20 March 2024 / 2:00-3:30 p.m. / Zoom and In-Person

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*“..... that's why the world is round ~ so you can't see where you're going.”
~Pauline Abbott, PhD ~ Prof. Emeritus of Gerontology, Cal State Fullerton*