

Trauma Informed Care Workgroup Meeting

September 9, 2010

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Attendance: Brigit Towey, Denise Parker, Carmi Thomas and Lindsay Thomas, HKI; Vimbai Mudimu, Jenine LaCoe and Myra Eggert, MHC; Michelle Whittier, Baycare; Clara Reynolds, Success 4 Kids & Families; Melissa Parks and Kristin Fuhrmann, VOA; Alfred Jefferson, NAMI; Amanda Coquyt, Children’s Home Society of Florida; Rich Rolfes and Neal Dwyer, Central Florida Behavioral Health Network; Claire Rowell and Elizabeth Statzer, DCF SAMHO Children and Adult; Leslie Pokres and Martha Guzman, Children’s Board of Hillsborough County; Kevin Slack, Sylvia Thomas Center; Lizette Ovalle, Hillsborough County Children’s Services; Diana Hayden, Belinda Amankwaa, Debra Niles, Jennifer Tait, Chris Greene, Esther Fayson, Pamela Blumenthal, DCF – Adult Protective Services.

Topic	Discussion	Responsible Party
<b>Introductions</b>	Introductions were made by the committee. Melissa provided an overview of the committee and welcomed all newcomers. Melissa reviewed the minutes and provided updates.	We will include Vicki Hummer, Norin Dollard and Colleen Clark from FMHI on the mailing list.
<b>Trauma Informed Care within agencies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hillsborough Kids, Inc. reported that they received trauma training September 1-3, 2010. This training was for the child welfare system of care.</li> <li>• Coalition of Hillsborough County will be doing trauma training</li> <li>• Brigit Towey provided an overview of the information that was sent on Trauma Informed Care.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Various training – child welfare, Department of Juvenile Justice</li> <li>○ Trauma self assessment from FMHI</li> <li>○ Melissa noted that there is a plethora of resources and information available.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	All trauma information will be sent to all group members.
<b>Central Behavioral Network – Informed requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neal Dwyer discussed Central Florida Behavioral Health Network support of Trauma Informed Care.</li> <li>• Claire Rowell highlighted the work of District 6. She noted that District 6 identified 5 goals that the group could complete. Claire suggested that this group should do the same and create 5 goals. Claire noted that there are various levels of Trauma</li> </ul>	

Informed Care. Elizabeth S. reported that Hillsborough received a SAMHSA grant for a jail diversion program for veterans. There is a certification requirement as well and there may be training opportunities available around trauma from this grant.

- Melissa noted that this committee needs more peer representatives.
  - Need a VA peer representative
- Trauma Informed Training should focus on education and awareness. Creating a trauma sensitive culture is important.

#### Next Steps

- Suggestion was made to create an MOU for Trauma Informed Care. It would not have contractual language, but would help solidify the implementation of Trauma Informed Care across all agencies.
  - Jenine will locate a sample MOU
  - Claire will chair the steering committee
  - Neal Dwyer will participate
  - Brigit Towey will also participate
- Suggestion was also made to move this committee to a steering committee format that would encompass all agencies involved in the MOU.
- Suggestion was made to have Vicki Hummer come and present to the committee next month and schedule training.
  - Clara will invite and coordinate with Vicki Hummer and Dr. Michael Rank.
- Develop a resource manual of Trauma Informed treatment available in the community.
- Complete the Trauma Informed Self Assessment by each agency.
  - Rich and Clara will generate a Survey Monkey assessment using the FMHI tool.

**MOU Steering Committee:** Claire Rowell, Jenine, Neal Dwyer and Brigit Towey

**Training:** Clara will invite Vicki Hummer and Dr. Michael Rank next month to present.

**Trauma Informed Self Assessment:** Clara and Rich will create the survey and disseminated it to the committee for review by 9/13/2010.

**Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 14, 2010 @ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at DCF, 9393 N. Florida Ave.**