

Outcome Measures and Accountability Committee

Meeting Minutes for January 25, 2012, 2pm

Highland Shores Children's Aid

Present: Michael Whiteman, Parent, Child and Youth Clinic mwhiteman@qhc.on.ca
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Brandi Hodge, United Way bhodge@unitedwayofquinte.ca
Pat Gamble, Hastings CAS patricia.gamble@hastingscas.org

Regrets: Wendy Anderson, CYSN

Recorder: Colleen Thompson, CAS

The committee reviewed the agenda and accepted it as presented.

Terms of Reference

- Agreed to developing a Terms of Reference and take back to the Core Integration Team of the CYSN for endorsement
- Pat volunteered to begin process of writing with input from the committee

Background

The committee was provided with a brief background of the Child Welfare Integration Committee and the subsequent creation of this new ad hoc committee, mainly:

- Strategic Plan from 2010
- RBA for projects and report card agreed to by the Core
- Mark Kartusch is now the ED of Hastings/Northumberland CAS and unable to continue
- CAS will continue to provide a Champion to the subcommittee

Report Cards

Beverly presented the slideshow shown to the Core, and examples of report cards from across the province & US

- In brief - the RBA goal - turn the curve permanently!
- Results need to be - clear, positive, interdependent, comparable, developmental, measurable
- Two part to the RBA - Population Accountability and Performance Accountability
- Review of RBA Decision Making process utilizing an example of % of women who smoke during pregnancy (noted we are more than double the provincial average)
- Review of initial steps taken and development of possible result statements
- Review of Community Partners usually involved in community report cards
- Mike brought forward the suggestion that with current initiatives and studies underway - should the report card be looking at the entire community? Discussed - would be broad - makes sense - may require subcommittees reporting to this one
- Beverly noted that 2010 Census data likely to start coming out this Spring
- Noted that Report Card can have a different format depending on audience - i.e. Brochure, Executive Summary, Full Report

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Questions: Brandi - where does Report Card fit?

- broad review of indicators and then apply RBA
- Discussion of Community Profiles out of the United Way and based on 2006 data

General Discussion

- Brandi feels we need to look at the whole community and get to the root causes of the problems - i.e. parental illiteracy, unemployment
- Ruth wants to see a commitment that we are not just going to create another report that is not utilized
- Agreement that Flag system is a good idea
- General discussion of once data is gathered how to select Flags
- Use of Quality of Life Indicators
- What are best practices from other communities in?

Challenges

- Discussion of Data that is out there but not accessible , i.e. safe schools
- Data Sharing Agreements not in place?
- What data do we wish to pull to this table?

Next Steps

- How long does it take to develop a report card?
- Beverly noted that once you decide what you want then it is a matter of pulling, writing, and having an editorial board to review
- Who else should be at the table?
- Health Unit - Beverly noted that they were asked to be at the table - they replied that they do not have a data person at this time
- Contact SE LHIN for representative
- Develop TOR and work plan
- Next Meeting: Establish a chair and vice-chair, regular meeting schedule, data gathering plan