

Dementia Care Excellence Oversight Committee Meeting Notes

Overseeing Implementing of San Francisco's Strategy for Excellence in Dementia Care

Thursday, February 12, 2015, 10:30am – 12noon

Members present:

Ruth Gay, Policy Director, Alzheimer's Association of No. California and No. Nevada, CHAIR
Cindy Kauffman, Chief Operating Officer, Institute on Aging
Joanne Handy, President and CEO, Aging Services of California (via phone)
Anne Hinton, Executive Director, Department of Aging and Adult Services
Betty Fung, Director of Programs and Administrator, Self Help for the Elderly
Brooke Hollister, PhD, Assistant Professor, Institute for Health and Aging, UCSF
Elizabeth Edgerly, PhD, Education and Training, Chair
Karen Garrison for Cathy Spensley, Chair of Age and Disability Friendly San Francisco Workgroup
Sherrie Matza, Community Representative
Mivic Hirose, Executive Administrator, Laguna Honda Hospital
Joanne Robinson-Teran, Alzheimer's Association
Marcy Adelman, PhD, Consultant

Guests:

Natasha Boissier, UCSF Memory and Aging Center
Andrea Korsunsky, JFCS Seniors at Home
Jill Nielsen, DAAS APS
Megan Elliott, DAAS IHSS

Final version of Addendum to 2020 Foresight: SF Strategy for Excellence in Dementia Care –

Distributed the final version of the addendum to all attendees. Will also send electronically with meeting notes.

Workgroup identification and discussion—

Workgroups were identified and discussed. Attached is the list of workgroups and those who have volunteered to participate in each group.

Update from Transportation workgroup –

The peer escort pilot program will begin in April. Program grant to start in Spring 2016; DAAS has funded program to begin in April 2015. Pilot will include 9 peer escorts and will serve 6 centers. The goal will be to expand to more locations. Currently recruiting escorts; recruitment will take place from April – June. Training will begin July 1 for 4 weeks. Escorts will receive 18 hours of training from Felton. The training program is 6 modules over a 2 week period. Kick-off of the program will be August 1. There is a stipend for escorts of \$2.65 per hour. Exploring ideas to increase the stipend. The escort is assigned to a particular center and assists each person from that center on the bus. The escort will be at the center for the end of the day to become part of the community of the center.

Update from LGBT workgroup –

The workgroup is currently in talks with DAAS to provide and education and training program.

Update on Alzheimer's Association "live alone" grant –

Going forward this project will be known as the "Dementia Care Safety Net Project." The first meeting was held immediately prior to this meeting. The project will begin with about 20 participants. The meeting focused on discussion of various avenues to pursue project. One idea of interest was development of "care circles" for the individual. This group will report to the oversight committee as the project moves forward.

Other business –

Joanne Handy reported on a policy initiative about long term supports and services for individuals not eligible for MediCal but do not have enough funds to cover care needs. Leading Age, Alzheimer's Association and AARP are involved. There will be a hearing in Sacramento on April 7 and a community conversation / town hall on April 9 at AARP.

Next meeting – To Be Determined (April 2015)