

Minutes from NJ Statewide Network for Cultural Competence Meeting

Friday, May 27, 2011, 1:00 PM

Host: Sophia Rossovsky, Director of Culturally Competent Mental Health NJ

Location: International Institute of New Jersey, Hudson County, Jersey City, NJ

Present: Proslime Baptiste, Zenaida Steinhauer, Nishant Patel, Alissa Koval-Dhaliwal, Stephanie Rodriguez, Janet Gwiazda, Amruta Moré, La-Kisa Hunes, Bill Gaventa, Aimee Bianca, Pearl Park, and Sophia Rossovsky (*please see sign-in sheet for agency, email address, and signature*)

- I. Introductions of attendees
- II. Introduction of Culturally Competent Mental Health NJ (CCMHNJ) by S. Rossovsky
- III. Introduction of International Institute of New Jersey (IINJ) by Executive Director, Catherine Tansey
- IV. Importance of getting trainings onto the Listserv
 - a. Skill building for providers, strategic plans, guidelines, language access.
- V. NJSNCC website used as main search for people seeking CEUs in cultural competence
 - a. Need to put up more resources for CEUs on website offering online courses:
 - i. The Office of Minority Health has thinkculturalhealth.org, a federal site offering free online cultural competence training for physicians and nurses accredited for continuing education credits, and other resources.
 - b. List of current trainings offered in State for the year with CEUs in cultural competence.
- VI. Amruta Moré – discussion of developments at the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)
 - a. Organizational changes at DDD.
 - b. Use of language line.
 - c. Next steps are to have written materials translated.
- VII. Who does interpreter trainings?
 - a. Compile a list through the Listserv.
 - b. Use of IINJ's Language Links.
 - c. 3 different CCMHNJ trainings for interpreters.
- VIII. Discussion of quarterly meetings – need for a Planning Meeting
 - a. Longer meeting to develop vision and specific goals for the NJSNCC.
 - b. Use of PATH Process (**P**lanning **A**lternative **T**omorrow's with **H**ope).
 - c. Hold at New Brunswick.

- d. Send invitation to both Steering Committee and Listserv:
 - i. Follow through with Meeting Wizard
- e. Discuss another annual conference, given the success of one in early 2010.
- f. Attendees should come prepared to undertake some responsibility.
- g. Discuss and plan the next quarterly meetings and offer from the Interfaith Dialogue Center (IDC) to host one of them.
- h. Planning Meeting may take place over the summer or in the beginning of September, should occur before next quarterly meeting.
- i. Hold Planning Meeting from 9:30am -3:30pm.

IX. National Center for Cultural Competence (nccc.georgetown.edu)

- a. Send out through Listserv.
- b. How to become registered.
- c. Sharing of Georgetown criteria with agencies.
- d. Build resource list.

X. Cultural Competence among Religious Leaders

- a. How to effectively do outreach to religious leaders.
- b. Language issues among religious leaders.
- c. Mental health education.
- d. Blurb about CCMHNJ services directed towards faith issues.

XI. Pearl Park

- a. Discussion of her documentary about Vietnamese refugees; planning to develop a cultural training around this.
- b. No Asian-American cultural competency training programs specifically for mental health providers – a gap Pearl is hoping to fill.
- c. Culture specific resources.
- d. Film website: amongourkin.org .

Meeting ended at 3:50PM.

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