

ROCK COUNTY LONG TERM SUPPORT COMMITTEE
July 7, 2009

Call to Order. Acting Chair Jensen called the meeting of the Rock County Long Term Support Committee to order at 1:17 P.M. on Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at the Rock County Job Center.

Committee Members Present: Supervisor Marilynn Jensen, Jennifer Thompson, Pat Hubbard, Mary Jane Patch, Linda Sanders, John Hanewall, Anne Weirich.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Anna Marie Johnson, Edward Reich, Donna Cavey, Ann Henning, Richard Ziemendorf.

Staff Members Present: Steve Hare, Tom Hermans.

Others Present: Marcy Berner-Reedy, Beloit Meals on Wheels.

Approval of Agenda. Ms. Thompson moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Ms. Sanders. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes. Ms. Patch moved approval of the minutes of May 5, 2009 as presented, second by Ms. Hubbard. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation. None.

Financial/Statistical Information.

Human Services. Ms. Thompson said they have been very focused on the budget process at this time. They are looking at an increase in revenue with the implementation of Medicaid Personal Care, which they are hoping to start September 1st. They have invited caregivers to an orientation meeting in August. The caregivers should not be seeing any decreases in their income and may possibly even see an increase. Medicaid will pay first and then the Waiver Program would pay second.

Ms. Thompson said they had a vacant position that is now filled and the person in their intake position has retired and they have an LTE in this position for the next couple of months.

Ms. Thompson said the wait list is growing as many are waiting for CBRF care and they do not have COP money to assist.

Developmental Disabilities. Mr. Hanewall said they are also working on the budget. He referred to their report in the agenda packet and said it shows their COP expenditures through May and that they have had an increase of 8 consumers to their waiting list since February.

Old Business.

LTC Reform Update. Ms. Thompson said it looks like Rock County will not be going to Long Term Care until the next biennium. The Governor's Office said the earliest would be July 1, 2011.

New Business.

Mandated Wait List Policy. Ms. Thompson said this is a mandated policy that we must put in place now.

New Policy related to establishment of a Wait list:	Affect on Rock Policy
Allows county to place person on wait list if County would exceed funding limits, significant proportions, and allowable COP average.	No change
Rescinds local policies who have a limit on services and allows for placement on a waitlist..	Rock Co. did not have a limit, therefore this does not affect us.
Preliminary determination of physical and financial eligibility to be placed on wait list should continue.	No change
When someone moves to a new county, they're name needs to be placed on the new county's wait list and funding must continue from the county of origin until their names comes up on the new county wait list.	No change
New Policy related to Serving Persons from Waitlist:	Affect on Rock Policy
Entire section is rescinded; specifically no longer a need to seek guidance/approval from LTS Committee to establish priorities for movement off wait lists.	Previously followed Policy #603 which was approved by LTS Committee on March 3, 2009. This policy is void.
Must follow "First-Come-First Serve."	Current Policy allowed Director/Division Manger to change wait list removals when in the best interest of the county; this can no longer occur.
<p>Exceptions to "First-Come-First-Serve" are allowed in Emergency or Crisis situations and when approved by the State.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Death or sudden inability of individuals primary caregiver. 2) Lack of appropriate residence due to loss of housing. 3) Person has documented terminal illness and life expectancy of < 6months. 4) Sudden change in individuals behavior which places themselves, the people they live with or community at risk of harm. 5) Finding that the caregiver's mental health status places person in jeopardy to health and safety. 6) Finding that other emergency or urgent conditions exist that place the individual at risk of harm. 7) The individual is at imminent risk of 	<p>Did not need State approval prior to new policy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) New and will be implemented 2) New and will be implemented 3) No change 4) New and will be implemented 5) New and will be implemented 6) New and will be implemented 7) New and will be implemented

more restrictive placement in an ICF-FR or nursing home.	
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Approval of Use of COPS Funds While Institutionalized. Ms. Thompson said they have one case they are requesting funding approval on: the client was in a nursing home from 4/9/09 to 5/22/09, 43 days, and are requesting \$2,958.83 from COP funds to cover the cost of the provider. Ms. Hubbard moved approval to fund the case, second by Ms. Sanders. ADOPTED.

Committee Member Comments. None.

Next Meeting. The next meeting of this Committee will be Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. at the Job Center.

Adjourn. Ms. Thompson moved to adjourn at 1:56 P.M., second by Ms. Patch. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
Secretary II

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