

**Shawnee County CDDO
Affiliate Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2022**

Present: Traci Vincent, SLI; Edith McCall, Monaco & Associates; Tina Ruecker, Sally Martin, Loletha Clark, Tracey Herman, Sharnelle Bennett, Rebecca Glotzbach, Eileen Doran, Stephany Semple, TARC; Frankie Holloway, Frank Greco, EVF; Cassy Martin, Positive Impact; Bill Perez, GT Independence; Jesse Cox, Tiffanie Desch, Loving Hearts Training Center; Sara Dinkel, Dream Catchers, Heidi Pickerell, Ramona Macek, Capper Foundation; Elizabeth Barkley, Serenity; Jon Gerdel, Life Patterns; Mark Gonzalez, Mosaic; Shawna Lampe, Tanya Gragg, Caring & Compassionate Care; Chad Wietrick, Ashae Amerine, AbleLight; Lina Petrel, Game Time Living; Corby Lockwood, KDADS Program Integrity and Compliance; Holly Mace, Sunflower Supports; Jon Allen, Gina Allen, Compassionate Care Community Services; Haley Fender, Coleen Hernandez, Robert Smith, Christine Hurla, SNCDDO.

Marie Moore, Aetna

Introduced Sarah Feldhausen, Melisa Watson, Joyce Fergel. Reviewed state contractual requirements for Aetna. For now, some meetings are virtual, but they are required to meet with individuals quarterly. Aetna contact information:

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CDDO Updates:

- New Affiliate: AbleLight. Introduced Chad Wietrick, Senior Director of Operations and Ashae Amerine, Area Director. AbleLight is Affiliated for day and residential services (Shared living)
- Introduced Heidi Pickerell, Capper Foundation V.P. of Adult Services
- KNI is on hold for outreach/referrals. Haley will still accept them but know they will be on hold.
- If there is a change in TCM, this information needs to be updated with providers and guardians.

- TCM Reminder: please make sure to complete a SAF updating service information if you have an individual who has started Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS) with a Shawnee County CDDO Affiliated Provider. Indicate "Other" for the funding source, with a note in the "Comments" section of the SAF indicating in VRS services. Let Robert Smith know if you have any questions.
- Reminder to use the current SAF (RV08/21) This is available in forms in BCI:
<https://sncddo.azurewebsites.net/Forms.aspx>
- Poll: which TCM agencies are doing in person meetings? Loving Hearts Training Center reports they have a lot of clients asking to see their TCM's and they miss them.
 - Serenity is doing in person and hybrid meetings as preferred preferences for clients.
 - Dream Catchers is in person for the most part. Depends on what guardians and teams want.
 - Positive Impact is doing in person meetings
 - Caring & Compassionate Care are doing in person, Zoom, hybrid or phone conference depending on the team preferences.
 - Monaco Associates is doing in person and through Microsoft team meeting.
- Poll: Is your agency interested in Active Shooter Training resources? What is everyone doing?
 - SLI has an annual active shooter training we do annually and have for several years.
 - EVF is interested in active shooter training.
 - ❖ [Kansas Highway Patrol offers active shooter training.](#)
Contact: Candice J Breshears, Lieutenant, K-72. Public Information Officer.
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Guest Presenters:

Jennifer Augustine, Voc Rehab. Overview of qualification criteria: any type of permanent physical, intellectual, or mental disability, and must be in need of VR services to become employed. Services offered: vocational assessments, counseling, training, helping obtain diploma, certifications or degree, on-the-job training, employment search, vehicle modifications, consult with potential and existing employers. Each case is closed when the individual maintains employment for 90 days. Services can be extended from 4 months to several years if needed.

Abby Githens, Pre-ETS (Pre-employment Transition Services) Pre-ETS is also under rehabilitative services through DCF. The program is for transition age students (14-21) getting ready to graduate. Works closely with VR. Must have some type of documented disability. 5 main services: (1) Job exploration and counseling - what education or training is required, what are they interested in. (2) Self-advocacy – this is unique based on their needs. What are their strengths and weaknesses, getting comfortable asking for accommodations. (3) Workplace readiness training – talking about hygiene, interview practice, resume, body language, behavior, general soft skills. (4) Counseling in post secondary education – tech school, trade schools, 2 year vs. 4 year degree, certificates, connecting with support centers. (5) Work based learning experiences – job shadowing, informational interview, summer experiences, summer part-time job.

Q: If a referral is made for a child in school do you sit in on IEP meetings?

A: We try to get involvement from the school. Ultimately we rely on the support from the teachers to get consent to attend meetings and to be invited to the meetings. We do attend a lot of IEP's and present the program at teachers' request. We try to get on in-service agendas, parents nights, or professional development trainings and talk to new teachers and present to schools. We work closely with schools' special education teachers and psychologists.

Training Opportunities/Resources:

- **August 23, 2022** 1:00-4:00 CDDO Training (Session 2: BCI, Transition Checklist, Critical Incident Reports, PAS Tools)
 - Email Christine churla@sncddo.org to sign up for CDDO Training. Both trainings are required for new TCM's.
- **September 14, 2022** 11:00 – (Affiliate Meeting) Laura Pederzani, Arcare - Overview of services and grants offered at Arcare. Stephany Semple & Angie Dougan, TARC Self-Determination - overview of services.
- **October 12, 2022** 11:00 – (Affiliate Meeting) Laura Leistra, MCO's – overview of MCO Manager role
- **November 9, 2022** 11:00 – (Affiliate Meeting) Tina Lopez, KNI – overview of behavior support plans

Next Affiliate Meeting:

September 14, 2022

11:00