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Minutes

The Excellence Network, Refocused

The Ohio State University - Newark

May 19, 2023
10:00am – 11:30am

LEAN training – FREE training! July 25th & 27th at Licking Co. Board of D.D. offices

- If you're unfamiliar with LEAN Thinking, here's a little bit of info:
 - LEAN is a mindset that helps you make smarter decisions about how to invest your time, energy, and money.
 - LEAN encourages a practice of evolutionary change, called continuous improvement, rooted in a fundamental respect for people. It is a way of thinking, shaped by the Lean principles.
 - click this link to register: <https://reg.planetreg.com/E517134637243847>

Licking County DSP Experience survey

- Have had GREAT response to the survey, so THANK YOU to you and your DSPs!
- Timeline – keeping it open for responses through next week
- Looking to learn what Licking Co. DSPs think

Assistive Tech & Remote Supports

- Amanda Brehm is now in a specialized position that is a resource for all things technology. Amanda.Brehm@lcountydd.org or (740) 616-3909
- Discussion re: what sorts of tech. options exist and how they could help DSPs or supplement in-person services:
 - Tech. that could help DSPs do their jobs: increase access to their supervisors, ease their documentation tasks, improve access to people's ISPs and info.
 - Support for staff in situations where not enough DSPs to meet needed ratios; might help monitoring other residents while the on-site DSP is helping one person with bathing, etc.
 - AbilityTech LLC- This provider will lease the equipment to allow an agency to provide remote supports, and will provide the cost analysis to show where the break-even point is for the agency. Contact info: Ken Smith, President/Founder 419-603-5391
 - LCBDD has some funding set aside to allow people and their teams to try technology before it's purchased.
 - Below are examples of available apps.
 - Cognitopia: Web-Based Self-Management & Executive Functioning Software <https://cognitopia.com/>
 - Routine Factory: Interactive digital infoboards + apps to improve independence for people with special needs and reduce the workload on caretakers. <https://routinefactory.com/>
 - Bridging Apps: database of apps with reviews and how-to videos

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<https://bridgingapps.org/>

- ATvisor: recommendations wizard, assistive technology catalog (includes devices, software, and apps), phone consultations.

<https://www.atvisor.ai/en>

OADSP Ambassador program

- Each Agency Provider can choose one DSP to be a link between OADSP and their Agency.
- Discussion about OADSP in general and the services and events
- Flyer attached to email

APSE national conference- June 12-15 in Columbus <https://apse.org/events-learning/2023-conference/>

Excellence Network meetings- what would the group find helpful?

- Resources for middle managers- to help new-to-the-DD-field staff navigate all the arcane details of the system so they can effectively do their jobs. What's important in an ISP, what do service codes tell you about a person's services, how do you support your DSPs to do their best work?
- Advice on job postings- wording, key words: what will get people to click and engage?
- Role-playing/practicing ISP meetings? with real SCs, people served, and provider staff?
 - First attempt at this (existing video):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LAHX6ZiZVC0>
 - A We Thrive Together effort? (zoom) maybe an interactive self-advocacy session that could occur at ADS programs?
- Training around Guardianship situations for middle managers
- Training for current DSPs that could help them move into middle manager positions

Next meeting:

- June 16, 2023 10:00-11:30
- OSU-N Warner Center, **Sleight Room** (in the front doors, turn left, go up the steps to 2nd floor, directly across from the top of steps)