The Excellence Network

Meeting Minutes
6/21/24

- **Old Business/Updates**
  - **Medicaid Rate increases:** prepared for the (smaller) rate increases coming July 1? How has it gone with the previous increases for you?
    - Providers said they've been able to raise DSP wages.
  - **Direct Leadership Certification series-** 27 agency staff received Leadership Certification!
    - Offering another 5-part Leadership for Supervisors series in the beginning of 2025, so please think about who you might want to attend.

- **New Business**
  - **DSP Awards Nominations!** Nominate your stellar DSPs!!! Nominations close on Friday, 7/5/24.
    - Flyer w/ QR code attached to email
  - **Licking Park District accessible opportunities-Kyle Lund:** Director, Licking Park District
    - The Park District is working to make parks more accessible; they have all-terrain wheelchairs for both youths & adults available for free rentals, self-serve rental kayaks (w/ life vest and paddle), and a wheelchair accessible dock with accommodations to get in your kayak. (info. attached to email)
  - **DSP Leadership Training-** starts July 11th 2024! Targeted to non-supervisory DSPs.
    - 10:00-2:00, lunch provided
    - Thurs, July 11; Thurs, Aug. 8; Tues, Sept. 3; Thurs, Oct. 10; Thurs, Nov. 7
    - **To register staff, send their name & email to David**
    - Attending all sessions will provide a Certificate of Leadership training.
  - **Advocacy 101 Workshop**-2 hours of training designed for individuals with I/DD, family members, and support professionals
    - Covered Topics: Personal Advocacy, Collective Advocacy, Technology for Advocacy, Building Your Advocacy Group
    - how to speak up for themselves and people they care about; how technology and group advocacy can increase impact and save time and energy.
      - Providers thought this would be great, so more to come on it!!
  - **View OISPS in Brittco –** would it work for your processes to review the ISPs in Brittco and NOT receive an emailed copy?
      - Providers present said this would work fine for them.
    - Does anyone want to access DODD's salesforce software to view their OISPs?
      - No

- **Miscellaneous**
    - **Emails to "potential MUI"-** cannot be marked private, secure, or confidential; those settings don't allow them to be viewed!
    - **Excellence Network meetings-** looking to move format from monthly to bi-monthly or quarterly
        - **Majority of Providers thought quarterly would work best.**
    - **How many people receive DODD's "Memo Monday" emails?**
        - Info. on signing up for DODD emails for Providers & DSPs in email.
    - **How is the online Med. Admin. course from MEORC working for staff?**
        - Providers said staff prefer the online and it works great.

Next Mtg: Friday, Sept. 20th at 10:00