## **Coalition of Local Agency Service Providers (CLASP)**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Monday, April 22, 2019 at 10am

Valley Mountain Regional Center, 702 North Aurora Street, Stockton, CA 95202

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions-

• Meeting called to order at 10:00am. Sign in sheet was passed around and all introduced themselves.

#### 2. Krolof Law Presentation:

- Some highlights from the presentation include:
  - i. Exempt vs. non-exempt employment
  - ii. Rates of pay (i.e. regular, overtime, etc.)
  - *iii.* Investigating employee complaints and who should be handling them (i.e. HR department, legal consultant, etc.)
  - *iv.* Leaves of absences and disabilities (i.e. sick leave, FMLA, New Parent Leave Act, CA Family Rights Act, etc.)
  - v. Volunteers and Interns (identifying how, when, and who can be identified as a volunteer or intern)

#### 3. Announcements

 Corinne shared about UCP of San Joaquin County's upcoming 5k obstacle course relay on May 18<sup>th</sup> at Swenson Park in Stockton

#### 4. Treasurer's Report –

Corinne shared on behalf of Marisol Moreno about the recent Chris Littlefield training, which CLASP paid for him to come and provide the training. There are still some funds left over; however, and exact amount was not provided

### 5. VMRC Reports & ED Report

• Tony Anderson: He introduced Doug Bonnet, who is the new Special Assistant to the Director. Tony shared that Doug will be handling all the media, marketing, and Board updates on behalf of VMRC.

He shared again about Mary Sheehan retiring after 40 years with VMRC and how her current position is being turned into two positions that are slated to be filled.

VMRC's legislative communication is now online and available to read on the VMRC website. The newly updated VMRC website is undergoing a soft launch. The website includes a social feed, which will allow for information that comes in real time through

social media to be directly posted to the website. This will help to keep information that is being released relevant and as up-to-date as possible.

• Brian Bennet: He shared some follow-up information about the DDS rate study and shared the VMRC presentation response to the rate study that is intended as feedback to DDS.

Some key responses include: The rate structure for Day Program Services is not an effective change given the additional administrative time and costs for tracking, the potential reduction in funding to DSP's due to hourly attendance tracking verses daily attendance tracking. With Residential services, the approach does work; although, there could be some issues with identifying different levels of service providers. There are some disparities with how Supported Employment funding will role out and has resulted in some questions that need to be cleared up to determine if the new pay structure is better or worse. Lastly, the Transportation pay scale does not work at all and will heavily impact the more rural service providers, potentially to the point of not being able to offer transportation at all.

## 6. **CLASP Representative Reports**

• VMRC Board - Tony Anderson

He shared about final decisions are going to be made regarding the annual budget being released.

• Finance and Personnel - Connie Uychutin

No update this month

Consumer Services - Daime Hoornaert

No update this month

• Legislation - Candice Bright

No update this month

• **Choices** – Dena shared that CHOICES turned out fantastic this year. The planning committee has already discussed that they would like to see more consumers on the committee. Also, a video is set to be released from the event and will be released soon.

# 7. State Council on Developmental Disabilities/ North Valley Hills Office Report- Dena Hernandez

- There is a CalABLE meeting coming up soon
- The next SCDD meeting is scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup> and the Calaveras COE
- Self Determination meets this Friday (Apr. 26)
- There is a Transitions Meeting scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm
- At the upcoming Providers Conference, Lynn Seagle has been secured as a speaker and as a reminder this event is open to vendors only.

#### 8. Items for discussion –

None

- 9. Unmet needs-
  - None reported
- 10. Old business-
  - None reported
- 11. **Closed Session** NO CLOSED SESSION today due to time constraints.

Adjournment at 11:55pm- Next meeting: - May 20 @10am at VMRC in Stockton