

LONG TERM SUPPORT PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 19, 2010

SAUK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

425 Sixth Street, Reedsburg, WI 53959

Members Present: Art Carlson, Bert Vaillancourt, Cindy Bodendein, Susan Tucker, Carie Pieper, Eddie Scanlan, Shell Lea Hainz, Theron Hill, Alice Moyer

Members Absent: Trish Vandre, Bridgitte Bodette, Judith Stoeckmann, Charlotte Taylor

Call to Order and Certification of the Open Meeting Law: Carlson called the meeting to order and certified compliance with the open meeting law.

Adopt Agenda: Hill moved to approve agenda, seconded by Vaillancourt, passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of February 24, 2010 Meeting Minutes: Hill moved to approve minutes, seconded by Vaillancourt, passed by unanimous vote.

Presentation on IRIS program by John O'Keefe: Include, Respect, I Self-Direct (IRIS), is a State program that was required by the Federal government, when Family Care (FC) started, as the government mandated that consumers have the choice to participate or not participate in Family Care. Referrals for IRIS come through the ADRC after consumers complete the Long Term Care Functional Screen. They can choose IRIS especially if they want to self direct their long term care. If they choose IRIS, they then meet with a consultant who helps them develop a plan. Typical pieces of the plan include widening doorways, installing wheelchair ramps, etc. Also, goods and services are included, like getting help finding/keeping employment.

Who has been using IRIS? Currently, there are 16 consumers in Sauk County enrolled in IRIS. Less than 4% of Long Term Care consumers are choosing IRIS, which was 1,691 consumers in April of 2010, 25% of current IRIS consumers moved from FC to IRIS. In St. Croix County, 23% of consumers picked IRIS over FC. Where FC has been operating, most people didn't leave FC for IRIS. Both programs are voluntary and one can transfer between programs. IRIS has higher numbers of people with cerebral palsy, autism, MS, MD, blindness, and deafness. FC has higher numbers of people with diabetes, cancer, schizophrenia, alzheimers, and dementia. Some notable differences between FC and IRIS:

	<u>IRIS:</u>	<u>FC:</u>
Avg. age:	49	63
Live w/spouse:	66%	31%
Live in CBRF		
Or AFH:	4%	24%

Challenges: Occasionally, a family member and consumer will try to cheat the system to get paid for helping the consumer out and they won't do the job they are hired to do according to the plan. 80% of "workers" hired to do a job layed out in the plan are family members. IRIS requires intensive work up front getting a plan in place, but over time it gets easier as most plans include a lot of natural supports like relatives working with the consumer.

Member updates: Betty Irwin will not renew her term with the LTS Planning Committee.

Discuss possible future meeting topics: Certified Community Services (Jeff Semenas) with DHS, Health Care Center staff

Public Comment: None.

Next Meeting Dates: 8/18/10, and 11/17/10

Adjournment: Hill moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Moyer, passed by unanimous vote.

Submitted by,

Eddie Scanlan
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