

Pikes Peak Elder Abuse Coalition (PPEAC)
Meeting Agenda

January 19, 2018; 8:00am – 9:00am

Location: Silver Key Senior Services, 1625 S. Murray Bl. Large Conference Room

Members Present: Sherri Alvarez (Professional Guardian), Amanda Bandfield (DHS-APS), Lori Furstenberg (Trusted Guardianship Services), Tami Hasling (Halsing & Assoc.), Gloria Horne (UCCS Student), Kristina Iodice (El Paso County -DHS POI), Ann McKenzie (Silver Key), Jessica McKnight (DHS-APS), Dayton Romero (Silver Key), Kymburr Rourk Mata (M.A.T.A.), Chrissy Swanson (Colonial Columns), Charles Szatkowski (CSPD-CAARA)

a. **Introductions**

b. **Subcommittee Updates:**

1. Education and Outreach.
 - i. Chuck reported that educations slowed during holidays.
 1. Presentation was completed at the Probate breakfast.
 - a. Tami asked Chuck if there is any focus on Financial institutions & inquired if this could be a focus going forward (including bigger banks on training their front line staff on how to recognize elder abuse)
 - b. Dayton provided update on BankSafe Initiative.
2. Emergency Housing:
 - i. Chrissy provided an update on number of participants; she also mentioned that there has seen a significant increase as of late as a result of APS utilizing program.
 - ii. Subcommittee met with mark Gardner at Medallion (continuum of care facility) who has shown interest in joining as a participant community.
 - iii. Most participating communities right now are Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs)
 - iv. Chrissy reported that there are/have been 37 participants engaged in the Emergency Housing Program.
 - v. Data is still being tracked, but has yet to be compiled.
 1. Gloria offered to have someone from UCCS compile the data around demographics & outcomes.
 2. Gloria will reach out to Sheri Gibson who is currently tasked with gathering & compiling data for emergency housing program.
 - vi. Chrissy reported that about 20% have discharged to community living, whereas 80% of participants needed an ALF or SNF placement.
3. Volunteer Guardianship Program
 - i. Ann Mc Kenzie provided update on VGP—a proposal will be generated by subcommittee.

1. Proposal to include overview of roll out plan (including expenses, training curriculum, & subcommittee acting as the board of the VGP program.
 2. Volunteers would be supervised by a professional guardian.
 3. How do we identify those at-risk adults who need a guardian to exemplify the need of guardians in our community?
 4. Such data is needed to present to the board.
 5. Chrissy asked how we would recruit.
 - a. Kristina recommended that she could reach out to Mike Worley (Care Portal) as a resource in the recruitment process.
 6. Gloria mentioned that a lot of different Unions in town, may be a good resource for volunteer recruitment, as well as ALFCIO.
 7. Amanda mentioned local lodges.
4. Medicaid Processing
- i. Amanda Reported that APS case workers are continuing education around placement & working closely with Medicaid Supervisors at DHS.
 1. Requested that if there are any issues around Medicaid then to notify APS supervisor.
 2. APS case workers will be trained around the new Medicaid policy.
 - ii. Currently six participants in Emergency Shelter Program who have pending Medicaid.
 - iii. Chrissy mentioned that subcommittee work has made a difference in decreasing time it takes to process Medicaid.
- c. **Old Business:**
1. Coalition name (Pikes Peak Elder Abuse Coalition) will stay the same, after unanimous decision.
- d. **New Business:**
1. PPEAC Website
 - i. Kristina would like to present new website during next PPEAC meeting.
 - ii. Kristina mentioned that the URL would be changed to:
<http://dhs.elpasoco.com/Pages/AdultElderAbusePrevention.aspx>
 2. Point of Contact for website information is Kristina Iodice {719.444.5533 / Kristinalodice@elpasoco.com}
 3. Please review the information for your organization to ensure that information is current and correct.

NEXT MEETING
February 16, 2018 8:00am-9:00am