



OAKLAND COUNTY

Homeless Healthcare Collaboration

Bringing Community Resources Together

ID Taskforce Minutes

Monday, June 19, 2017 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Oakland County Health Division **Room 322**

1200 North Telegraph Building 34 East, Pontiac MI 48341

Conference Call: (248) 454-0579

Present: Sam Babbi-Gill, Joan Cashman, Julie Day, Sandi Elanges, Robert Elchert, James Fackler, Debra Hayes, Deb Hendren, Elizabeth Kelly, Kate Rettler, Jason Weller, Carole Welsh, Shelly Wood, Julie Day, Apryl Bonner

Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting commenced at 2 PM and introductions were made.

General Discussion on SoS Pilot

- In Calhoun County the only challenge with the pilot was with the agency (drop in day shelter) administering the program. Around 20 people have gone through the pilot program since March.

Statewide Advocacy Efforts for ID

- Status of White Paper on ID & State Vital Documents
 - A rough draft White Paper on ID/Vital Documents' barriers based on 2016 White Paper by the Michigan Commission on Community Action and Economic Opportunity, the MCAH survey and the presentation to ICH by Debra Hendren and Elizabeth Kelly has been created and is being edited. This paper is expected to contain recommendations for resolution to some of the ID/vital documents' barriers. This will help people who were not born in Oakland County, or their parents were not married before a certain date. A call at the end of the month is scheduled to discuss next steps.
- Dropbox for Sharing Documents
 - Jason discussed the drop box to share documents and resources for SOS to make sure everyone is on the same page. There have been no changes, and is waiting for clarity before he adds more documents.
- ID Statewide Training
 - Currently information is only being passed along 2 times per year at two conferences—Building Michigan Communities and Homeless Summit which creates the need for interim statewide trainings on some of the recent changes. MCAH will host a series of webinars that touches on

subjects like SSA policy changes, HMIS card, Free ID for Me!, and the process of communities reaching out to county clerks. No dates or times have been scheduled for these webinars yet.

Social Security

- Deb Hendren gave an update on HMIS cards. It is now national policy for SSA to accept an HMIS ID card as an alternate (3rd priority) proof document when an individual does not have a state ID/DL. (A State ID/DL or passport are primary proof documents.)

Other Issues/Updates

- Information was emailed to ID Task Force members about Free ID for Me! This included a decision notice and two other documents. Deb Hendren is waiting to hear back from Janice Harvey about the process that goes along with Free ID for Me and the possibility of some promotional materials for the program.
- Deb Hendren brought up the question if HMIS cards can be used as an alternative form of identification outside of the pilot program.
 - Deb & Elizabeth are submitting this in writing to James at SOS as a request, and James will take this request back to SOS.
- Elizabeth Kelly clarified that vaccination records are considered a medical record and can be used when trying to obtain ID.
- Deb Hayes reported that Genesee County met with the finance committee to discuss reduced fees or fee waivers. The committee will now take it to a subcommittee to make a recommendation. The county clerk seems to be on board and supports a roll back of the general price back to \$10.00. This will be based off the Oakland County model.
- Robert Elchert from Kalamazoo received communication back from his county commissioner and believes that fee waivers will be on the docket in July or August.
- Legislation is being introduced that would provide free ID's for Veterans in Michigan that have their DD214.
 - More discussion is being made on how difficult it is to obtain your DD214 and whether or not it has to be an honorable discharge.
 - This legislation will target homeless veterans.
- An article of interest to the group can be found in the Washington Post called "Invisible Cruel Catch 22 of being Poor with no ID"
https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/magazine/what-happens-to-people-who-cant-prove-who-they-are/2017/06/14/fc0aaca2-4215-11e7-adba-394ee67a7582_story.html?tid=sm_fb&utm_term=.65e0393a4121

Next Meeting: Monday, July 17, 2017 2:00 - 4:00 PM

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