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F2Fs Moving Forward with Health Care Reform
October 23, 2014

Agenda

1. Upcoming enrollment period – Janis Guerney

2. F2F ACA Activity Highlights:
   - Family Voices of Indiana – Jennifer Akers
   - Kentucky Family to Family Health Information Center – Debbie Gilbert and Sondra Gilbert
   - Family Voices of Illinois – Faye Manaster

3. Questions and Discussion – Bev Baker/all

Family Voices Indiana

Family Voices Indiana is a family-led organization that provides information, education, training, outreach, and peer support to families of children and youth with special health care needs and the professionals who serve them, including:

- Assistance to families and professionals in navigating health care systems
- Information, education, training, support and referral services
- Outreach to underserved / underrepresented populations
- Guidance on health programs and policy
- Collaboration with other F2F HICs, family groups, and professionals in efforts to improve services for CYSHCN

Health Care Reform Resources

Online Training
Understanding the ACA and CSHCN

Lessons Learned

• Participate on state committees related to ACA and outreach events
• Provide expertise on CSHCN
• Join state and national social media efforts
• Become a Champion for Coverage
• Identify experts who can provide definitive answers for families

How the KY Family to Family Health Information Center Helps Families with the Affordable Health Care Act

Advocated to be kynectors

• We advocated to be kynectors
• We work with families in Commission for Children Special Health Care Needs clinics across the state to educate them about the Affordable Health Care Act and what it means for them.

Partnerships

• KY Health Benefit Exchange
• Department for Community Based Services
• Health Departments
• First Steps (Early Intervention)
Lessons Learned

• Don’t refer to the ACA as Obama Care

• When a person learns about you enrolling families and knows you, they are more willing to ask for your assistance in enrolling in the ACA.

• Let families know what documentation they need to enroll.

Annual HCR Update Seminars

• Yearly since 2008

• Information and options changing fast

• Generic ACA information not sufficient

• Sole place to get this information

• Invite mix of state/federal agency reps, advocates and policy experts

• Emphasize public and private insurance

• Geared for families and professionals

Unique features

• Stipends for families

• CEUs for professionals

• Certification for foster parents

• Bilingual English/Spanish resource CDs

• Exhibit hall

• Evaluation and data collection

• One-of-a-kind learning opportunity

Family Voices of Illinois

The Arc of Illinois Family to Family Health Information Center

Faye Manaster, M.Ed., Director

Sixth Annual

Update on Health Care Reform for Children and Adults with Special Needs

October 21, 2014

2014 Agenda

• 9:00-9:45 am Dr. Jim Lando, Captain, U.S. Public Health Service, HHS Region V Health Administrator: The Affordable Care Act is for Everyone

• 9:45-10:30am Lorrie Riddleman Jones PhD, Governor’s Office of Health Innovation and Transformation (GOHIT): Healthcare Innovation in Illinois: What is GOHIT and how is it improving healthcare for people with disabilities?

• 10:45 – 12:00 noon Stephanie Altman, J.D. Shriver Center: Update on the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid Reform in Illinois - Focus on Special Populations

• 1:15 – 2:00 pm Kathy Chan, Cook County Health and Hospitals Systems: Understanding the “new Medicaid” for adults with and without disabilities

• 2:00 – 2:45 pm Charles W. Watkins, Regional Outreach Coordinator - Get Covered Illinois, Office of the Governor: Getting to know the Illinois Marketplace and Get Covered Illinois

• 3:00 – 3:30 pm Tony Paulauski, Executive Director, The Arc of Illinois: “Disability Advocacy and Health Care Reform in Illinois”

Lessons learned

• Meeting site with free parking only

• Only known speakers

• Speakers receptive to topics which need to be covered

• No stipends for CEU recipients

• Post presentations on website afterwards

• Lunch break = networking time

• Collect audience questions on notecards
Questions and Discussion

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