

PREVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING
February 12, 2009
Craig Comedy's Office

Committee Members Present:

Traci Mason
Craig Comedy
Bob Field

Members by Conference:

Doug Wentz
Mary Haag

Members Absent:

Bobbie Herron-Boyer
Sharon Kramer
Michael Langford
Sylvia Pacifico

Others Present:

Marilyn Maciejewski

Craig opened the meeting and brought Doug and Mary in via conference line.
Minutes of May 7, 2008 meeting approved.

Bob reviewed Prevention committee's purpose and mission.

Craig emphasized that consumer confidence is the primary mission.

Bob is to send draft language to implement new certification level to committee members. Upon the committee's approval he plans to role both treatment and prevention simultaneously as one package to be introduced to the legislature.

Craig suggested that the exam requirement for OCPS to be topic at next meeting.

Exam failure rate is still a concern. The passing rate for June was 70% and dropped to 45 % for the September exam.

Traci suggested doing a survey with the testers, to track any test preparation or find a common denominator for both failures and those who passed.

Bob is to review and update Foundation & Education Training Matrix and send to committee members.

Implement Training of Trainers

Ensure trainings are available and they meet current criteria

Bob will check with ODADAS to see what they are doing for Prevention training and check what framework was used.

Scope of Practice needs clear definition and to be intertwined with the degree requirement in the legislative Rule revisions. This will allow more flexibility.

Mary questioned if there is a need for the OCPS I and II levels. After much discussion Bob felt it timely to redo, revamp or restructure the current credential.

- Possibly streamline and combine the I and II levels.

- Currently, there is no definition between OCPS I and OCSP II.

- Need to emphasize educating the field rather than passing the examination.

- Need to communicate with committee members by e-mail for suggestions and feed back.

Workgroup to tackle restructure.

Bob and Marilyn need to look at current requirements in both law and rule.

- Need to check with ICRC on requirements and reciprocity.

Committee Makeup/Membership:

With recent vacancies due to retirement and the decline in meeting attendance and participation, the committee feels it necessary to recruit new members and screen those for their availability and willingness to make the commitment to serve on the committee.

- Mary will send a template of a charter for our use in recruiting new members.

 - Needs to clarify what is expected to serve on the committee.

 - Needs to convey a clear understanding of the commitment that will be necessary from those who wish to serve on the committee.

 - Meetings can be attended face to face or by conference call.

 - Need to check with agencies e.g.: Ohio Council, ODADAS, Drug Free Action Alliance, and ADAPAO to name a few, for recommendations of individuals or a representative from specific groups to serve on the committee.

Future meetings are set to be held on the second Thursday of the month, in the months alternating with the Board meetings. The next scheduled meeting is March 12th. The location has not been determined, but members can participate by conference call.

Marilyn to schedule the meeting dates for the year and send a copy to the committee members. All meetings can be attended face to face, or by conference call.

Meeting adjourned

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