



Ohio

Chemical Dependency
Professionals Board

Education & TRN Committee Meeting

Monday, July 18, 2022/ 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm In Person

Minutes

Present: Ken Yeager (Chair), Michael Brubaker, John Ellis, Sara Branson, Sara Friedman, Christi Lackner-Valenti

Absent: Kathy Elson, Sherri Bowyer

Staff: Jill Smock (Executive Director, Kris Quinn

1. Welcome

- a. Roll call
- b. Review and approval of last meeting minutes. Minutes were approved by Michael Brubaker, seconded by Sara Branson.

2. **Announcements** - None noted

3. **Public Comment** - No public in attendance

4. **Directors Update** – J. Smock

Report included acknowledgement of the retirement of Janice and subsequent reorganization of staff duty to fill the responsibilities previously completed by Janice. It was noted that Kris is doing the preapprovals for prevention education for individual certificate holders. The Board hopes to be moving away from CEU preapproval processes in the future. Staffing re-organization to hire a Continuing Education Coordinator to work directly with colleges/ universities on education for workforce expansion, educational provider audits, and some adm. Duties. Susan, Investigative Asst, is currently conducting renewal CEU audits. As previously discussed in this committee there is a plan to reduce renewal hours to 30 vs. 40 hours for recertification if possible; looking into costs for change. Director Smock reported that she had reached out to ICRC to determine if IC& RC is considering lower number of CEUS for those holding IC&RC reciprocity.

HB452 is on hold as currently the legislature is on break and this proposed House Bill hopefully will be picked up when the Legislature reconvenes. There may be a need for experts to testify regarding the importance of the requested changes in supporting work force development challenges.

5. **2022 Work Plan**

a. Goal 1: College Endorsement Programming

1. Masters Endorsement Program

Director Smock indicated that if the HB 452 is passed, we will need to re-evaluate the masters endorsement application and process. John Ellis raised the question of a cost benefit review for the Endorsement noting that it was difficult to obtain such funding in the current academic environment. He noted that there would be a need to demonstrate a cost benefit for Masters programs and demonstrate added value for academic institutions. Suggestions in the direction of added value included: Finding ways to provide flexibility for graduate programs in the sign off on student hours. To streamline sign off procedures for academic institutions. To require Universities to self-report curriculum changes opposed to audit processes. To align to endorsement requirements to CSWE and other academic oversight & credentialing requirements.

John Ellis voiced the question regarding alignment of documentation of certificate programs that are not clearly aligned with LICDC criteria. It was also noted that with proposed legislative changes the alignment should be corrected as the Board will be able to realign criteria with greater efficiency.

2. Associate Endorsement - Coalition MOU Discussion

Director Smock reported the Associates Endorsement is completed by the Ohio Coalition of Associate Degree Human Service Educators. There was discussion of what might/should be contained within the MOU discussion included the following recommendations: Notification of changes to the curriculum would be the responsibility of associate programs. Recognition of Associate Program Endorsement by the board. And the potential to create a board driven mechanism to evaluate and endorse programs not on college transcripts as well as certificate program content for a fee for CDCA education. That approval of the MOU should be for the period of only a one-year period of time with the board to review and consider next steps moving forward. That there would be no exchange of dollars and the board would accept the endorsement of the coalition. The coalition will provide documentation of alignment of content with the Board education requirements.

b. Goal 2- Enhanced training for Prevention Professionals

1. Update – online courses/e-based academy/ others

Christi Lackner-Valenti reported that OCAM will have five (5) prevention courses and will be adding an additional five (5) 1.5 credit courses on line. Additionally, PAA will have on demand coursework as will OPPA moving forward. OSU College of Social Work has offered many courses, one Prevention course is being promoted but discussed some had not seen the marketing of that training series.

2. Questions for Prevention Committee re: need for increase trainings/Content areas needed/ 3. Ways to advocate or incentivize

Discussion in this area included need for those seeking prevention certification or needing renewal hours to have more opportunities to learn where and when these trainings are held. The discussion included the education committee working with the prevention committee to be certain all partners are aware of upcoming education offerings and working together to suggest ways of promotion of trainings to educational providers.

There was discussion about linking SBIRT with Trauma Informed Care might connect the dots for related professionals. John Ellis noted that a recent study conducted by University of Akron indicated 92% of respondents were interested in trauma training which could be linked to the new trauma informed SBIRT assessment process.

c. Goal 3 – Consider and explore potential fees for CEUS Sponsor and Provider Review

1. Discussed along educational providers to decide on or off camera, but the board provide some suggestions on making sure engagement and learning occurs. Discussed not giving credit for those participating/interacting while driving.

Other pieces of the meeting were held due to time for the next meeting.

6. Interest members to join Tx committee workgroup on co-occurring disorders/DSM ICD

Discussion of a joint effort between the Education and Training Committee's to explore co-occurring disorders and a workgroup formed out of the Treatment committee. There was discussion around the prevalence of concurrent mental health substance use disorder. It was also noted that billing codes e.g., 90801 for individual therapy does not require a diagnostic code beyond the primary diagnosis being treated. There was also discussion that John Ellis initially expressed opposition to the recommendation citing concern of the complexity of this work and the management of those with a severe and persistent mental illness. Committee Chair Ken Yeager expressed opposing views indicating that this is exactly why the board should act in it's capacity to assure preparation of licensed providers in addressing concurrent mental health and substance use disordered patients. Additionally, there was discussion that social work and counselor master prepared individuals are the primary professional group treating this population. The determination was made that Ken Yeager will continue discussion with this committee and join the workgroup from the Treatment Committee and keep the discussion moving forward. Ken Yeager will circle back with John Ellis when the workgroup meets to see if he is able to join the discussion.

7. Education and Training for CDP Staff on Content Areas

J. Smock discussed the need to provide content area training for her staff. John Ellis, Michael Brubaker and Ken Yeager all agreed to provide education sessions or specified topic areas. Jill asked for a hold on this training until new staff position is filled.

8. Other Business - NONE

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

K.Y./J.S.

 Committee Chair	<u>10-28-22</u> Date
 Board Chair	<u>11/16/2022</u> Date