

# **SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

## **MINUTES**

November 8, 2012

The South Carolina Commission on Disabilities and Special Needs met on Thursday, November 8, 2012, at 10:30 AM at the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs Central Office, 3440 Harden Street Extension, Columbia, South Carolina.

The following were in attendance:

### **COMMISSION**

#### **Present:**

Fred Lynn, Chairman  
Deborah McPherson, Vice Chairman  
Christine Sharp, Secretary  
Katherine Davis  
Eva Ravenel  
Katherine Finley  
Harvey Shiver – Via Teleconference

### **DDSN Administrative Staff**

Dr. Buscemi, State Director; Dr. Kathi Lacy, Policy; Mr. David Goodell, Associate State Director, Operations; Mr. Tom Waring, Associate State Director, Administration; Mrs. Tana Vanderbilt, General Counsel (For other Administrative Staff see Attachment 1 – Sign In Sheet).

### **Guests**

(See Attachment 1 Sign-In Sheet)

### **Coastal Regional Center (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 2 Coastal Regional Center Sign-In Sheet)

### **Pee Dee Regional Center (via videoconference)**

No attendees

### **Whitten Regional Center (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 4 Whitten Center Regional Center Sign-In Sheet)

### **York County DSN Board (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 5 York County Sign-In Sheet)

News Release of Meeting

Chairman Fred Lynn called the meeting to order and Commissioner Christine Sharp read a statement of announcement about the meeting that had been mailed to the appropriate media, interested persons, and posted at the Central Office and on the website in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Invocation

Commissioner Deborah McPherson gave the invocation.

Adoption of the Agenda

The Commission adopted the November 8, 2012 Meeting Agenda by unanimous consent. (Attachment A)

Approval of the Minutes of the October 18, 2012 Meetings

The Commission approved the minutes of the October 18, 2012 Commission Meeting by unanimous consent.

Public Input

There was no participation in Public Input.

**New Business**

One Quarter Targeted Case Management (TCM) Data Report

Mr. Tom Waring provided TCM data explaining the statewide fiscal impact the DHHS January 1, 2013 changes will have on DDSN's system. Dr. Buscemi added the information provided is based on the last information DDSN received from DHHS in writing. DHHS is considering looking at different alternatives as to whether there activities carried out by the service coordinator that can be billed to DHHS under different programs; however, this will not happen before January 1. Dr. Buscemi presented different options, not recommendations, to address the TCM changes and recommended the Commission hold a special called meeting for the purpose of discussion and deciding the Agency's options in response to the proposed changes to TCM. The Commission agreed to hold a special called meeting on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 with the start time to be determined and requested information as follows: the fiscal impact on 100% state funded services, number of consumers impacted, description of each service, prioritizing items, and feedback from providers. (Attachment B)

### Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) Communication

Dr. Buscemi discussed the SIS overviews that were recently conducted. She stated she was disappointed in the attendance of the advocates and advisory groups though the overview held for the providers was very well attended. She stated the Agency needs to do different things to get the information more widely distributed. Discussion followed about different options of communication. The SIS overview will be posted on the website with a link to AAIDD. Dr. Buscemi made the following clarifications - Dr. David Rotholtz is one of the authors of SIS but does not benefit financially from it's use; DDSN has contracted with the Center for Disability Resources for over 15 years; the court did not rule against the use of SIS in North Carolina, it was for failure to give consumers their right to appeal if services were affected; and DDSN has not started SIS interviews, thus far only practice interviews have occurred as part of the AAIDD reliability process.

### State Data Breach

Dr. Buscemi stated the Department of Revenue (DOR) data breach is different from the DHHS data breach. Consumers who have filed tax returns could be affected; providers may need to assist consumers with the protection offered by DOR. DDSN contracts through the State Budget and Control Board to maintain its electronic data and the Agency is presently looking into encrypting the data when it is sitting still. Dr. Buscemi confirmed that DDSN has assurances in place to protect our confidential data.

### Report from DSN Boards

Ms. Elizabeth Krauss spoke on behalf of the SC Human Service Providers Association.

### Commissioners' Update

Commissioners Katherine Finley, Christine Sharp, Fred Lynn and Eva Ravenel spoke of events and meetings that they attended and shared news of upcoming events in their district.

### State Director's Report

Dr. Buscemi reported on the following topics:

There has been some movement on the OIG administrative room and board issue but nothing concrete. CMS contacted DHHS on the recommended payback and DHHS is drafting a response. DHHS stated DDSN will have the opportunity to comment before it is submitted to CMS. Not sure if we will be successful but the draft response is in progress.

The Clifton Gunderson report was submitted to CMS by DHHS at the .40 percent rate regarding the waiver administrative cost issue.

Mr. David Goodell is working with the Greenville County Disabilities and Special Needs Board of Directors on hiring a permanent executive director.

Dr. Buscemi stated she will be attending the NASDDDS Annual Meeting next week and will report back to the Commission. There is a list of guest speakers at the federal level and there are huge benefits in attending this conference.

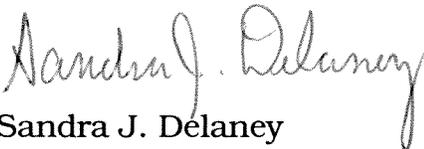
Next Regular Meeting Date

Chairman Fred Lynn announced the next regular Commission Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 20, 2012 with a Special Called Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 28, 2012. Starting times for both meetings will be announced later.

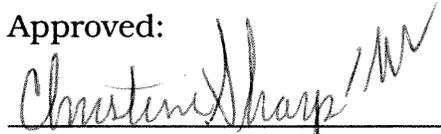
Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Fred Lynn adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by,

  
Sandra J. Delaney

Approved:



Commissioner Christine Sharp  
Secretary

SC COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND  
Commission Meeting

Attachment 1

November 8, 2012

Guest Registration Sheet

**(PLEASE PRINT)**

Name and Organization

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| 1.  | Iskelyn James    | SCDHHS            |
| 2.  | Bryan Kost       | "                 |
| 3.  | Elizabeth Keaus  | SCDDSN            |
| 4.  | LINDA VEADHEER   | SCDDSN            |
| 5.  | Elaine Thera     | PCBDSN            |
| 6.  | Phil Clarkson    | BFASC             |
| 7.  | Kathleen Roberts | WCPC - SCPOOD     |
| 8.  | MARTIN TAYLOR    | SCDDSN            |
| 9.  | Mary Leithner    | R/L               |
| 10. | Richard Wuel     | DDSN              |
| 11. | Lisa Weeks       | DDSN              |
| 12. | Debra Wilk       | Jasper            |
| 13. | Crystal Ray      | Family Connection |
| 14. | Mike Keck        | Main-Dillon DSN   |
| 15. | Joyce Davis      | BIASC             |
| 16. | Sarah St-Onge    | PIA               |
| 17. | ABDint           | DDSN              |
| 18. | Diane Espary     | SCSCIA            |
| 19. | Valam Bishop     | SCDDSN            |
| 20. | Lindsey Daniel   | Community Options |

# SC COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

## Commission Meeting

November 8, 2012

### Guest Registration Sheet

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Name and Organization

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| 21. | Beth Bunge        | Bright Start       |
| 22. | Margie Williamson | The Arc of SC      |
| 23. | Dean Ryan         | Colleton Area BOSW |
| 24. | Danielle Dubose   | BIASC              |
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# SC COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

## Commission Work Session

November 8, 2012

### Guest Registration Sheet

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1. KEVIN YACOBI DDSN

2. Jennifer Buster DDSN

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**Guest Registration Sheet**

**(PLEASE PRINT)** Name and Organization

- 1. Linda Bodiford Parent
- 2. Suzanne Johnson parent
- 3. Rufus Britt ODSN
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**Guest Registration Sheet**

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1. Beverly Brewer, parent, Voices for Vulnerable
2. John King DDSN
3. Armilla Moore Community Options
4. Pat FAGAN DDSN
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Attachment 5

*Guest Registration Sheet*

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Mary Poole – YCBDSN
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Michelle Shaffer - YCBDSN
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**SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

**A G E N D A**

**South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs  
3440 Harden Street Extension  
Conference Room 251  
Columbia, South Carolina**

**November 8, 2012**

**10:30 AM**

1. Call to Order *Chairman Fred Lynn*
2. Welcome - Notice of Meeting Statement *Commissioner Christine Sharp*
3. Invocation *Commissioner Deborah McPherson*
4. Introduction of Guests
5. Adoption of Agenda
6. Approval of the Minutes of the October 18, 2012 Meeting
7. Public Input
8. New Business:
  - A. Targeted Case Management Data Report *Mr. Tom Waring*
  - B. Supports Intensity Scale Communication *Dr. Beverly Buscemi*
  - C. State Data Breach *Dr. Beverly Buscemi*
9. Report from DSN Boards *Ms. Elizabeth Krauss*
10. Commissioners' Update *Commissioners*
11. State Director's Report *Dr. Beverly Buscemi*
12. Next Regular Meeting Date (December 20, 2012)
13. Adjournment

**PLEASE SILENCE CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING. THANK YOU.**

**HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE - DDSN Expenditures on Targeted Case Management**

FY 2008 - \$26.3 million

- \* 4,000 Individuals moved to Inactive Service Coordination (Level 2)
- \* 100 Service Coordinator positions eliminated

FY 2010 - \$19.8 million

- \* Current average caseload is 40

**PRIMARY ASSUMPTIONS**

- \* For 2nd half of FY 2013 DDSN will be reimbursed at 75% of FY 2010 DDSN actual cost and for FY 2014 DDSN will be reimbursed at 50% of FY 2010 DDSN actual cost.
- \* FY 2010 DDSN actual cost = \$47.25 per 15 minute unit
- \* DHHS proposed at home reimbursement rate = \$20; DHHS proposed not at home reimbursement rate = \$15
- \* Reportable units remain constant. This includes both the four targeted case management core functions and the coordinated care activities that protect the health, safety, and welfare of consumers and prevent crises, unnecessary out of home placements, and institutionalization.

**DECREASE IN REVENUE**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Assumption - DDSN cost at FY 2010 level			
January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013 (75% DDSN cost / 25% DHHS proposed rate)	\$ 824,174	\$ 1,648,348	\$ 1,648,348
Fiscal Year 2014 (50% DDSN cost / 50% DHHS proposed rate)		\$ 3,009,405	\$ 3,009,405
Fiscal Year 2015 (100% DHHS proposed rate)			\$ 6,018,811
<b>TOTAL CUMULATIVE FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<b>\$ 824,174</b>	<b>\$ 4,657,753</b>	<b>\$ 10,676,564</b>

**PROJECTED CASELOADS**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Current average caseload = 40	45	55	110

**LOSS OF SERVICE COORDINATION POSITIONS**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013 (75% DDSN cost / 25% DHHS proposed rate)	30	30	30
Fiscal Year 2014 (50% DDSN cost / 50% DHHS proposed rate)		43	43
Fiscal Year 2015 (100% DHHS proposed rate)			100
<b>TOTAL CUMULATIVE LOSS OF SERVICE COORDINATION POSITIONS</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>173</b>

**UNKNOWN FACTORS**

- \* Definition of Medical Necessity criteria
- \* Prior Authorization criteria (Medical Necessity plus other variables)
- \* Method of Provider Payment - Individual provider directly bills DHHS vs. DDSN's prospective payment system and centralized billing process for the entire DDSN system

**SCDDSN TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS  
FISCAL IMPACT**

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<b>PROJECTED PER PERSON PER MONTH PAYMENT</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>
* Based on projected loss of revenue and projected caseloads			
* Current per person per month payment = \$122.42	\$ 108.81	\$ 89.03	\$ 44.51

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**SCDDSN EARLY INTERVENTION TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS  
FISCAL IMPACT**

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January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013 (75% DDSN cost / 25% DHHS proposed rate)	\$ 223,387	\$ 446,774	\$ 446,774
Fiscal Year 2014 (50% DDSN cost / 50% DHHS proposed rate)		\$ 446,773	\$ 446,773
Fiscal Year 2015 (100% DHHS proposed rate)			\$ 893,547
<b>TOTAL CUMULATIVE FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<b>\$ 223,387</b>	<b>\$ 893,547</b>	<b>\$ 1,787,094</b>

**PROJECTED MAXIMUM CASELOAD LIMIT**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Current maximum caseload limit = 20	22	23.5	28.5

**LOSS OF EARLY INTERVENTION POSITIONS (DSN BOARDS)**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013 (75% DDSN cost / 25% DHHS proposed rate)	4	4	4
Fiscal Year 2014 (50% DDSN cost / 50% DHHS proposed rate)		4	4
Fiscal Year 2015 (100% DHHS proposed rate)			9
<b>TOTAL CUMULATIVE LOSS OF EARLY INTERVENTION POSITIONS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>

**PROJECTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE (QPL PROVIDERS)**

	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
* Current reimbursement rate = \$22.05	\$ 20.38	\$ 18.72	\$ 15.40

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