

**Youth Services Advisory Committee
Minutes**

May 19, 2011

Attendance: Rose Marie Kill; Elizabeth Manley; Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro; Suzanne K. Cataldo; Michelle Borden; Juli Harpell-Elam; Neville Newton; Susan O'Donnell; Tammy Rosenthal; Abdul Staten; Linda Wolk; Danielle Wysocki; Jim Saylor; Tina Bibbo; Jill Cerullo; Sandra Gogerty; David Johnson; David Johnston.

Guests: Michele Natoli, Youth Advocate Program; Kathy Pross, Youth Advocate Program; Stephanie Iacopelli, Center for Evaluation and Counseling.

Morris County Department of Human Services Staff: Mary Jo Buchanan; Rachelle Farese; Elizabeth Jacobson.

Welcome

- Meeting called to order at 2:35 PM by Linda Seeley.

Minutes

- Minutes were reviewed and approved with one (1) revision.
 - In the Youth Advocate Program presentation, the contracted psychiatrist's name is Dr. Christodoulou.
 - Motion: Susan O'Donnell; 2nd: Tammy Rosenthal

Presentations

- No presentations.

Action Items

- Letter of Support, Assembly Bill No. A1561 Rachelle Farese
 - Rachelle Farese reminded the committee to vote regarding the letter of support for Assembly Bill No. A1561. Ms. Farese will re-send the e-mail asking for votes.

State Reports

- **Juvenile Justice Commission** Jim Saylor
 - Morris County has eight (8) juveniles in the JJC. Five (5) of the youth are in JJC custody (4-NJ Training School for Boys and 1-Fields Program) and three (3) of the youth are on parole. Mr. Saylor is currently reviewing one (1) application for JJC placement.
- **Division of Youth and Family Services** David Johnston
 - In April, Morris West had 124 referrals (63-new, 12-active and 49-re-referrals) and Morris East had seventy six (76) referrals (36-new, 9-active and 31-re-referrals).
 - Mr. Johnston also updated the committee about the status of the Morris County Qualitative Review. The preliminary report indicated that Morris received a 96% in compliance so far.
- **Department of Children and Families** Jeena Williams
 - No report.

Sub-Committee Reports

- Subcommittee reports were reviewed with updates. For a copy, please contact Rachelle Farese.

Community Reports

- No community reports at this time.

Old Business

- No old business at this time.

New Business

- No new business at this time.

General Announcements

- Linda Wolk – Daytop will be hosting a webinar entitled “*Introduction to Motivational Interviewing*” on June 10, 2011 from 11 AM to 12 PM.
- David Johnson – There is a air hockey table available to be donated to an interested party. The interested party would have to pick up the table. Anyone who would like more information was asked to call Tom Pollio at 973-285-2965.
- Tammy Rosenthal – Family Service of Morris County Counseling program is no longer accepting insurance. It will be using a sliding scale to determine the fee for individual families/clients.
- Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro – Family Intervention Services is hosting a two (2) hour workshop on June 6, 2011 from 6 PM to 8 PM. The workshop is for adoptive parents. Dinner will be served and child care is available.
- Michelle Borden – NewBridge Services is holding its Annual 70001 Graduation on June 8, 2011 from 6 PM to 8 PM. They have approximately 40-50 students who have completed their GED, are in the process of obtaining employment or are entering CCM. For more information, please contact Michelle Borden.
- Michelle Borden – NewBridge Services Summer Youth Employment Program is currently accepting referrals. The program provides clients with pre-employment skills and also job or volunteer opportunities. For more information, please contact Jill Worrall at 973-335-0666.
- Suzanne Cataldo – St. Clare’s Hospital is in need of referrals at their Denville and Sparta Intensive Outpatient Programs (IOP). The programs accept youth who are twelve (12) and older.
- Michelle Borden – NewBridge Services has been inundated with referrals for their outpatient services, specifically psychiatric and medication monitoring.

Public Comment

- No public comment at this time.

Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 pm.