

**Rhode Island Division of Elderly Affairs
Home & Community Care Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes for September 25, 2012
RIDEA-74 West Road-Garden Level Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920**

In Attendance:

Mary Ladd; DEA, Paula Parker; DEA, Kathleen Zaroogian; DEA, Rebecca Martish; Chair/Carelink, Catherine Graziano; AARP, Diane Gallagher; Alliance, John O'Hara; AARP, Katie Ryan; Attorney General, Dottie Santagata; Cornerstone, Andrew Powers; DOH, Verteal Patterson; AARP, Kathleen Kelly; RIALA, Michelle Szylin; EOHHS, Lindsay McAllister, Office of Lt. Governor.

The meeting began at 9:05 AM. Introductions followed.

Review of Minutes: No comments.

Presentation on the State Plan for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders

Lindsay McAllister, Health Policy Director at the RI Lt. Governor's office, provided an overview of the current status of the State Plan for Alzheimer's Disease. Lindsay provided a handout listing each Work Group and highlights of what each group will be focusing on. There are (6) six major Work Groups and they are as follows:

Family Caregiver Needs: Supports and Services (Caregivers)
Workforce Development (Workforce)
Access to Services (Access)
Residential Care (LTC)
Care Delivery and Research (Research)
Protecting the Legal Rights of Individuals and Families (Legal)

If anyone is interested in participating in any of the work groups please contact Lindsay at lmcallister@ltgov.state.ri.us. The first draft is due July 2013.

Goals and Objectives of the Committee

Rebecca Martish, Chair of the HCCAC, asked the group to provide some input as to how they would like the group to move forward on topics and issues. It was concluded that the DEA Director should be informing the group on specific needs and topics of discussion. Rebecca was to meet with Director Taylor individually.

Comments/Questions

A decision was made to develop an "Executive List" which would comprise various groups, committees, councils, commissions that all share similar goals and objectives. Rebecca will work with other members of the committee to compile this list and once the list is developed, it will be shared with the HCCAC members.

Meeting ended: 9:45am

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 23, 2012 @ 9:00am at the DEA, Garden Level Conference Rm.

Respectfully submitted
Kathleen Zaroogian, DEA