



Long Term Care Coordinating Council  
**State Plan for Alzheimer's and Related Disorders Working Group**

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11:30 – 12:30 pm  
Thursday, December 13, 2012  
RICCMHO  
Small Conference Room  
40 Sharpe Drive  
Cranston, RI 02920

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**Agenda**

**1. Care Transitions – Gail Patry, Healthcentric Advisors**

- a. Healthcentric's pilot project on transitions began in 2008 and has focused on providers (patient empowerment and engagement; coaching), community and system-wide interventions (five community coalitions consisting of doctors, home health providers, nursing homes and other providers), and the Continuity of Care form (getting this form to the pcp).
- b. Electronic Medical Records are not widely used across nursing homes, however, they're trying to make the system compatible with online transmission for the future. Current Care may play some role in this in the near future. Twelve nursing homes currently have access to Current Care. There are "meaningful use" requirements in hospitals and physicians offices, but not yet at the nursing home level (may be under consideration at the federal level currently).
- c. There is also a Leadership Advisory Board that has been working on the geri-psych needs in the Alzheimer's population especially.
- d. A component of the transitions work has been to recognize where a particular diagnosis makes transitions more complicated than others – and dementia is certainly one such diagnosis.
- e. In Gail's opinion, there is also a lack of awareness and use of palliative care programs. There is a grant to increase palliative care services in

