



STATE OF WISCONSIN

**GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC ABUSE**

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**LEGISLATIVE, POLICY & SYSTEMS COORDINATION SUB COMMITTEE**

**Workgroup Meeting: Standards and Treatment Revisions Workgroup**

**Meeting Minutes**

**August 14, 2024**

**10AM-11 PM**

**Meeting was held virtually**

**Council Members Present:**

Elizabeth Lucas

**Committee Members Present:**

Ann Kappauf

Courtney Olson

Joel Lewis (interested in joining)

**DCF/Governor's Council Staff Present:**

None

**Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions 10:07am**

Elizabeth Lucas, DOC – Co Chair Legislative and Policy Committee, Council Member

Ann Kappauf- New Directions, Committee Member

Jolynn Woehrer, Student, UW MKE Social Work Dept.

Joel Lewis, former DA's Office Dane Co. Deferred Prosecution – Potential Committee Member, School Social Worker Sun Prairie, DV Facilitator – WBTPA certified

**Minutes:** Courtney Olson

**Items to Bring Forward to Committee**

None noted.

**Topics Discussed**

**Chair Update** – Standards and Treatment Revisions under Legislative and Policy Committee. Alena Taylor was the facilitator, but has resigned from the Governor's Council. Now we need a new facilitator. Does not have to be a Governor's Council Member. Anyone interested in facilitating moving forward? Let Elizabeth know now or via e-mail. Willing to facilitate in the interim. Generally we meet 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 2pm. All meetings held virtually. Intending to maintain this schedule if possible. Happy to send out recurring meeting invite. Old one was deleted by Alena, as she is no longer facilitating. September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2pm next meeting. Any conflict of interest for service provider to facilitate (Jolynn)? Elizabeth does not know, guesses there are not limitations/qualifications as these are work group meetings. Purpose of the workgroup is to review current standards for those providing services for harm doers, see if current standards are acceptable, need amendment, or overhaul. Does not believe

there's a limit on who can facilitate. Need someone who's open to all viewpoints coming in. Will follow up to find out.

### **Committee Council Member status:**

Joel – How does it work to be on the Governor's Council? Committee? When are committee meetings? Wants to be more involved. Concerned about timing.

Elizabeth – appointed by Governor, reviewed and approved by the legislature. For full council members.

Committee members serve as volunteers, not appointed. Workgroups are informal. Don't have to have motions/actions. We just provide recommendations to the committee. Committee meeting October 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am.

Awards Ceremony 10/9 1pm. Governor's Council Meeting is 9-1. Public can attend. Can be closed sessions.

Courtney – 13 council members appointed, the rest of us are volunteer work group members. Can chair a work group without being appointed. Jolynn concurs.

### **Stakeholder Meeting Updates – Jolynn:**

12 interviews so far regarding standards/values, recertification process. Longest was 3 hours. Still connecting with additional contacts. Will produce a summary report. She and Alena had scheduled with Vermont Network Governor's Council to join us in September to go over what they've implemented and changed in their state.

Competing interviews, will write report and let group know what next phase of process looks like.

### **Guest Speaker – September Meeting**

Vermont just switched to values based DV Harm-Doer Provider System. Standardized. Direction we're moving in. They will share their experience and knowledge. What questions do we have? Can we incorporate in advance?

Tremendously thorough PowerPoint presentation. Let's gather concerns to ensure they are covered. Can meeting be recorded? Yes, make sure people are made aware of the meeting being recorded.

### **Open Meetings Laws**

Separate meeting invite will be sent to workgroup and committee members to offer a DOJ presentation on compliance. Do need to post agenda publicly even for workgroup. Need to publicly post minutes. Do not need to follow Roberts Rules of Order as we are not a decision making body.

### **Rural Area Access**

Virtual vs. In Person, internet concerns.

### **Other Business**

None noted

**Adjourn** 10:37am