

NE FYSPRT Meetings:

### **January 5, 2017**

The NE FYSPRT met on January 5, 2017 at Spokane Community Services Bldg., 312 W 8th Ave., Spokane, WA and was called to order by the Youth lead, Morgan Gabriel. Also present was family co-leads Becky Bates and Helen Franklin and Systems Partner Lead Liz Perez. Twenty six members and guests attended representing families, youth, and system partners.

#### OLD BUSINESS

The quarterly NE FYSPRT evaluation tool was distributed and attendees were asked to complete and return. The results will be shared at the Statewide FYSPRT and February NE FYSPRT meetings. The Statewide FYSPRT provided a survey regarding Children's Administration service delivery in meeting the needs of children, youth and families. NE FYSPRT members were asked to complete the survey distributed. Becky will send an electronic version for all members.

#### WISE UPDATE

Stephanie Widhalm provided copies of the WISE brochure. Providers can obtain additional copies from her. Frontier Behavioral Health, Excelsior, and IFD provided updates regarding their WISE programs. Becky Bates indicated that Passages Family Support's WISE program is in the hiring process phase. Davina York is the WISE Clinical Supervisor and several positions have been filled.

#### PRESENTATION

Christen Kishel, Ph.D. with the DSHS Developmental Disabilities Administration provided information to the NE FYSPRT regarding DDA eligibility and services. She described the eligibility criteria which includes the requirement that the applicant be a WA state citizen and was diagnosed before age 18. Dr. Kishel identified diagnoses that determine eligibility. She described diagnostic testing for IQ as well as EQ (emotional quotient) and SQ (social quotient). These make up the adaptive functioning level for individuals. Adaptive functioning includes such things as being able to order food in a restaurant, knowing what crosswalk signs indicate, and ability to provide for his/her own activities of daily living, including safety in the home. Low adaptive functioning cannot be due to a mental illness in order to be eligible for DDA services.

Dr. Kishel described several other physical and behavioral conditions that impact eligibility. Tina Schulhauser, with DDA, described the waiver (funding) process for DDA services depending on the needs of the individual. All services in DDA are voluntary. She also described DDA's respite services available to families, including a 30 day respite.

Case managers in DDA manage resources and partnerships rather than individuals. Dr. Kishel and Tina described the processes for coordination of care as the child ages and eligibility assessments to determine an individual age 19 is still eligible for DDA services. Assessment is automatic at age 4, 10 and 20.

The powerpoint presentation will be forwarded to attendees. Brochures regarding DDA services were distributed.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2017 from noon-1:30 at Spokane County Community Services located at 312 W 8th Ave.