

Stakeholder Impact Subcommittee Minutes March 18, 2024

Members Present: Thoyd Warren, Sonia Bonetti, Rebekah Griffith, Valarie Bishop, Pamela Jones

Support/Guests – Benita Benson, Joel Smart, Lindsey Daniel, Ralph Courtney, Robert McBurney, Becky Peters, Susan Davis, Reyhan Miller

1) DDSN Survey Follow-up –Becky reviewed the detailed answers on the provider survey and responded to questions. Becky, Susan, Robb and Rey responded to some questions. Becky will share the detailed word document that she has compiled. Key issues include:

- Transportation – This is the largest issue – is an issue in both rural and urban areas.
- Training sessions – in-person preferred, but many attending virtually also.
- DDSN in the process of getting regulations changed to be more flexible. Robb thinks that May 1 is a fair target for both House and Senate.

Current numbers will be provided to the full task force following this meeting.

2) Discussed questions for Steven Achillies from Gigi's Playhouse/or other resources for phase out. **Steven Achillies will be at the full Task Force meeting.**

- How did they braid funding for services?

Thoyd mentioned that the national APSE Conference is coming up. Early registration ends at the end of this month. If folks attend, maybe we can get some information that will be helpful to us.

General information: Transportation is an issue in both rural and urban areas; for people in shared residential transportation can be a big issue; ride sharing costs, availability, etc. are real issues; find out what is being done with large companies; possible rural health grants, etc.

Sub committee will continue to meet at 11:00 AM before the Task Force meetings in 207 Gressette
Next meeting is April 15, 2024 at 11:00 AM.