

Governor's Commission on Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders

October 20, 2008

Weeks Bldg., Conference Room 1C, Waterbury, VT

Greetings, Announcements

- Introductions were made to Michelle Graham and Albert DeWitt, two graduate students who are doing their internships at the Vermont Veterans' Home
- Many thanks to Cliff Singer for providing the opportunity to Commission members to attend the UVM Dementia and Neuropsychiatry conference

Review, Corrections, Acceptance of September Minutes

- Accepted as submitted

Commission Membership Updates

- Applications for vacant positions on the Commission on ADRD were submitted to the DAIL Commissioner last week and are being routed to the Governor's office for the selection and appointment process.

Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States (ADDGS) Activities

- ADDGS no-cost extension ends Dec 31, 2008. All grant activities must be completed by that date.
- Two dementia trainings are being offered – Oct 29 in Burlington and Oct 30 in Randolph. Speakers: Susan Wehry, M.D., Richard Taylor, Ph.D, Jeanne Kern and Brenda Howe.

State Plan on Dementia

- Drafts of the Exec Summary and Full Plan have been reviewed by DAIL management and suggested revisions have been forwarded to Craig Stevens (JSI Research).
 - Commission members split into their respective subcommittees to discuss chosen areas of interest. Task: identify additional stakeholders needed for each sub-committee and identify FY09 priorities.
 - Sub-committees were modified as indicated in the table below.

Subcommittee	Subcommittee members	Others to be included
Public Information/Involving Families and Communities	Lynne Ihlstrom (lead) Christina Cosgrove Jeff Maker, AD Assoc.	Dept of Health; AAAs;
QI/Public Policy	J. P. Giuliani, Cliff Singer, Patsy French, Nancy Schaedel, Maria Mireault	NE Quality Care Mary Shriver, VHCA? Beatrice Grouse, Hospital Assoc.
Infrastructure/Workforce	Amanda Mills-Brown, Alden Launer, Patrice (?), Peter Cobb (?)	Susan Gordon, Alzheimer's Association, VHCA
Research/Emerging Issues	Cliff will find someone from outside the Commission who is willing to participate	UVM, Bennington and Dartmouth Research

- Updates from Sub-committees were presented to the entire Commission
- Public Info / Involving Families and Communities
Additional stakeholders identified
 - Council on Aging
 - Public Health
 - State College
 - rep for inter-faith group
 - VT Arts Exchange
 - business
 - Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
- Quality Improvement / Public Policy
Additional stakeholders identified
 - Fran Keeler, Licensing and Protection – information on determining best practice / oversight of regulations
 - Mary Shriver, residential care homes
 - Beatrice Grouse, Hospital Assoc.
 - Louise Fitzpatrick, New England QI organization

FY09 Public Policy Priority – drafting legislation to revise Amber Alert to a broader population of missing persons (i.e., not only abduction but missing persons with cognitive impairment).

- Infrastructure / Workforce Development
Additional stakeholders identified
 - COVE
 - AHEC
 - VAPCP
 - VHCA
 - Susan Wehry (geriatric psychiatry)
 - Marvin Klikunas (primary care)
- Next meeting: November 17, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Weeks 1C, Waterbury.