

04 December 2015

DSS Break Out Group Jan White

- IRP, Section 141, FFC - 16 Dec final date.
- 1st meeting 20 Jan 2016 for all above panels – documents to Jan a fortnight before by 11th January
- MoH closed from 24 January returning 05 Jan 2016
- Important - Please check grammar, maths and ease of understanding on all proposals – put all information in.
- Band 5 – to get funding ensure you use band 5 calculator in Socrates
- Be aware of language used – when talking to Idea Services use “total hours of support” not Band 4 Plus or 39 Plus.
- Agree the level of support – or Jan will take up with MoH.
- Discreet allocations 1 to 1 Guidelines – max allocation is 20 hours. At reassessment ensure for all services need to why allocating “discreet”, level of support – must be for activities “outside the residential setting” and out in the community.
- If client is not going to a vocational service and if you are re-allocating discreet you may need to shift Band 5.
- If unsure of anything feel free to email Jan.

ICare monthly reports

- Reminder to send these to Jan by 8:00am tomorrow morning.
- Gordon Sinclair – reassessments and service reports – include behavior support – document clearly defined outcomes. For high packages may need a more intense document that can be attached to the clients file. Noted the word (goal) is in Socrates.
- Be careful of judgement words used in documents ie client only needs supervision, doesn't need a person paid to care for her all day.

Action: Jan to follow up with MOH to send copy of letter that went to Child Development units re ID assessments.

NPA Role

Helene gave an overview of her role and anticipated projects to be addressed over the next year. There are 3 phases to the plan involving 13 projects

which include reviewing general processes, trends, tools, consistency. The first 5 projects under Phase 1 are:

- ICare tool
- Robust budget management
- Define what DSS responsibility
- Purchasing strategies for high cost
- Review of high cost packages and allocations

Helene is intending to visit each NASC over the coming year. A Summary Work Plan will be disseminated in due course

ICare

- Helene is to develop a “Go To” guide to support sustainability in the long term. Ideas and feedback will be important. NASCs to advise anything they want clearly documented within next 3 weeks.
- Helene’s Contact as National Practice Advisor is: npa@nznsca.co.nz 027 687 5315

Approval for Entry into Community Residential Service within Aged Care Facilities for Younger People with Lifelong Disabilities

- The Form has been updated and is now fully electronic and much less onerous. MoH will then group and trend information. Helene went through the form answering any questions. Raewyn Winiata is the key person to ask questions or feedback to.

InterNASC Transfers

- Expectations of clients when transferring between services – a reminder to be clear as possible to transferring clients when explaining the differences between the services.

Common Support Plan (service coordination) template in Socrates

- Individual NASC support plans are not able to be uploaded. Is there an interest in wanting to achieve this in a general template. Karen Mora suggested to use / adapt the support plan on Socrates.
- NASCs to send to Karen what each is currently using and Karen will bring back to March meeting.

Refugee Migrant Centre - Mangere (Marlon)

- Marlon discussed the current transfer process. Issues of Taikura doing assessment in the Mangere Refugee Centre, then sometimes the receiving NASC saying not eligible – compromising position. Issue of engaging interpreters in 2 locations.
- Should NASCs engage directly with the MRC from the starting point rather than going through Taikura Trust. Not practical for NASCs outside of Auckland to be involved directly with MRC, but noted that some NASCs are already receiving refugees locally.
- The preference is that MRC should have the information available at the onset. They can then send the referral to the designated NASC who will then advise eligibility and acceptance
- Marlon will further discuss with the Mangere Refugee Centre in an effort to streamline process and report further to NASCA.

Management Fee - Proposal to MoH

- Craig put forward a request that NASCA Executive undertake work on behalf of members to demonstrate to MoH the need for an increase in funding of the NASC Contract fee. The rationale being that there has not been a significant increase for years, and NASCs are experiencing difficulties in recruiting and retaining really good staff.
- Mark felt that the success of such a venture would depend on the strength of the case – it would have to be very strong. MoH have not been receptive in the past. The general view was that Manager’s support the request.
- Action: Mark and the Executive will investigate whether NASCA can engage external consultancy support to progress this piece of work.

InterRAI for Younger Disabled People (Helene & Sonia)

- Update given on the meeting had with Shannon Stewart in regard to the Youth Development Tool 0 – 20 being used in Canada. Purpose of the meeting was to share and compare information about assessments (InterRAI Youth tool and DSS MoH Tool. YDT is a cross sectorial tool that encompasses Justice, disability, mental health, education and social development. There may be opportunities to incorporate some of the ideas and methodologies looking to the future ie Children’s teams. No action required at the moment.

Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Action Plan

- MoH are working on an action plan. Under NZ Health Strategy a working group is working on this – due March 2016.

DIAS-NASC Review engagement with NASCs

- The Executive will have input into the Review at a meeting with Sapere on 02 February, and will seek to present a view broadly highlighting the value of what is working well within the current NASC model, as well as proposing transformation and change where warranted to enhance the experience for disabled people.

- Individual NASCs are encouraged to seek to have input into the review directly if they wish. NASCA will also circulate a survey monkey questionnaire seeking views from all NASCA members so that the Executive is aware of the views and suggestions members wish to offer, and so that this can be included in feedback to Sapere.