

## **RPC – WESTERN REGION**

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Board of Directors – Training Meeting March 1, 2017 10AM – noon Quality Inn, Batavia NY

Welcome: Mark O'Brien and Andy O'Brien, Co-chairs.

Mark O'Brien welcomed WNY RPC Board members and commended the group for the work accomplished at their first Board meeting on February 1, 2017. Mark noted that some of the MCO representatives would not be present for today's meeting as they are attending the training program in other areas of the state. Mark also introduced Key Partners in attendance today: Andrea Wanat, Millennium Collaborative Care; Douglas Hurlbut, Finger Lakes Performing Provider System; Albert Dirschberger, Erie County Department of Social Services; Karen Hall, P2 Collaborative; and Andrew Dearing, WNY Homeless Alliance.

Mark shared that he, Andy, and Margaret are going through the issues list generated at the last board meeting and developing categories of concerns to be refined for further discussion either through a board survey and/or for additional small group discussion at the next board meeting. Issues will be presented to the "O" agencies at a co-chairs meeting June 8, 2017 in Albany.

Mark also gave the dates for upcoming WNY RPC Board Meetings: April  $13^{th}$  at the Quality Inn in Batavia; July  $11^{th}$  – location TBD; October  $11^{th}$  – location TBD.

Andy also welcomed board members and took roll.

## NYS RPC Updates: Margaret Varga

Margaret shared two (2) slides from the coordinators/leads meeting held earlier this week. These slides indicated current conversations occurring throughout the state regarding current issues/concerns. The second slide depicted how dialogue in the RPC's should be focused around how these issues/concerns are directly related to Medicaid Managed Care. Board members were advised that they should look at issues in terms of does it need to be brought to the state level or is it a concern that can be addressed regionally.

**MCTAC Training**: Boris Viglorin presented information regarding changes in Medicaid Managed Care. He was able to clarify the role of HARPs and HCBS. A copy of his presentation will be available on the RPC website.

**Adjournment**: With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 12:00PM. The next WNY RPC Board meeting will be held on April 13, 2017 at 10AM at the Quality Inn in Batavia, NY.