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Increasing Access to Mainstream Services for Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness: National Learning Meeting

Hyatt Regency Crystal City
2799 Jefferson Davis Highway
Arlington, VA

Agenda

Objectives:

1. Showcase innovative approaches that States/Territories have implemented

2. Provide opportunities for peer-to-peer technical assistance

3. Renew the States'/Territories' commitment to fully implementing their action plans

Wednesday, October 6, 2004

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Conference Registration	*Regency EF Ballroom*

Thursday, October 7, 2004

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Conference Registration Continental Breakfast	*Regency EF Ballroom*

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.   Opening Session   *Regency EF Ballroom*
- Welcome
    - o Peter Dougherty, Director, Office of Homeless Veterans Programs, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
    - o Gordon Mansfield, Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs
- Background and Context
    - o Lynnette Araki, Senior Health Policy Analyst, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Health Resources and Services Administration
    - o Jamie Hart, Director, Intercultural Health Practice Area, Health Systems Research, Inc., (HSR) Project Director
- Review of the Process
    - o Lawrence Bartlett, Director, HSR, Moderator

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break	*Regency EF Ballroom*

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent Breakout Session #1 *(descriptions in meeting notebook)*

- Accessing Mainstream Services: *Roosevelt Room*
  SSI/SSDI
    - Noel Tyler (Oklahoma)
    - Tina Shamseldin and Mark Dalton (Washington)

- Informing Public Policy with Data *Lincoln Room*
    - Charlene Flaherty (Arizona)
    - Sandy Miyoshi (Hawaii)

- Utilizing Multiple Financing Streams *Jefferson Room*
  to Expand Housing #1
    - Michael DeVos (Maine)
    - Jean Chicoine (Nebraska)

- Mounting a Public Awareness Campaign *Kennedy Room*
    - Leticia Medina and Lloyd Pendelton (Utah)
    - Maria Fernanda Levis-Peralta and Ivette Perez Toro (Puerto Rico)

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Technical Assistance Discussion and *Regency EF Ballroom*
	Networking Luncheon

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	"Progress Not Perfection": Identifying Barriers, Challenges and Solutions

- Region I *Kennedy Room*
    - Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virgin Islands

- Region II *Roosevelt Room*
    - Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin

- Region III *Lincoln Room*
    - Alabama, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia

- Region IV *Jefferson Room*
    - American Samoa, Arizona, Arkansas, Guam, Hawaii, Louisiana, New Mexico, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Texas

- Region V *Arlington Room*
    - Alaska, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Barriers, Challenges, and Solutions Session Description: State/Territory representatives will break into smaller groups to identify the key Federal- and State-level barriers and challenges they have encountered while implementing their Policy Academy action plans. Participants will also consider existing solutions for addressing these barriers and develop suggestions and potential new approaches for overcoming them. Results will be reported out during the "Listening Session" on Friday at 12:30pm, with the Deputy Assistant Secretaries of the Federal funding partners in attendance.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Break	*Regency EF Ballroom*
3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Concurrent Breakout Session #2	

- Accessing Mainstream Services: Broader Issues — *Roosevelt Room*
  - Tom Pierce (Florida)
  - Steve Nelson (Arizona)

- Homeless Management Information Systems — *Lincoln Room*
  - Michelle Hayes (QED Solutions)
  - Lester Hoelewyn (Arkansas)
  - Pamela McCrory (New Jersey)

- Prevention Innovation — *Jefferson Room*
  - Gwendolyn Kenner-Johnson, Brenda Hanbury, and Julie Dworkin (Illinois)
  - Joseph Finn (Massachusetts)

- Creating Effective Collaboration Mechanisms — *Kennedy Room*
  - Harry Carver (Kentucky)
  - Jean Chicoine (Nebraska)

4:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Networking Session Regarding Concurrent Breakout Sessions	*Regency EF Ballroom*

Networking Session Description: Meeting participants will gather in the ballroom to network with colleagues and to visually review discussion notes from the concurrent breakout sessions, which will include identification of various strategies, implementation challenges, successful solutions, and potential outcomes.

Friday, October 8, 2004

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	*Regency EF Ballroom*
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Review of Day One/Breakout Session Report Out	*Regency EF Ballroom*

- Larry Bartlett, HSR
- Facilitators

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Concurrent Breakout Session #3	

- Expanding Medicaid Coverage *Roosevelt Room*
  - Catherine McKay (Delaware)
  - Sharon Sprague (Maine)

- Data Collection *Lincoln Room*
  - Tracy D'Alanno (Colorado)
  - Sherri Downing (Montana)

- Utilizing Multiple Financing Streams to *Jefferson Room*
  Expand Housing #2
  - Walter Jabzanka (Massachusetts)
  - Micheal Elliot (Georgia)

- Promoting Coordination *Kennedy Room*
  - Deborah De Santis and Larry Hatton (New Jersey)
  - Linda Povlich (North Carolina)

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Break	*Regency EF Ballroom*
10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Concurrent Breakout Session #4	

- Expanding TANF and Other *Roosevelt Room*
  Mainstream Service Coverage
  - Jeff Barnes (New York)
  - Vicki Skryha (Oregon)

- Maintaining Momentum *Lincoln Room*
  - Laura Thielen (Hawaii)
  - Greg Shupe, Jeff Singer and Barbara DiPietro (Maryland)

- Strategies for Addressing Rural *Jefferson Room*
  Homelessness
  - Amy Apitz (Kansas)
  - Natalie Hutcheson (Kentucky)

- Discharge Policies *Kennedy Room*
  - George Epp and Tracy D'Alanno (Colorado)
  - Karia Basta and Rita McElhany (Missouri)

12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Break	
12:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Luncheon/Listening Session Concerning Barriers, Challenges, and Solutions	*Regency EF Ballroom*

Listening Session Description: Facilitators and State/Territory representatives will report out on the key Federal- and State-level barriers and potential approaches discussed in the "Identifying Barriers, Challenges, and Solutions" session on Thursday afternoon.

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.   Break

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   Closing Plenary   *Regency EF Ballroom*
- Breakout Session Report Out
    - Facilitators
- Snapshot of Lessons Learned
    - Jamie Hart, HSR
- Closing Remarks: "Where Do We Go From Here?"
    - Don Winstead, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Services Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
    - Patricia Carlile, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
    - Peter Dougherty, Director, Office of Homeless Veterans Programs, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
    - Charles Ciccolella, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Veterans Employment and Training Services, U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)
    - Philip Mangano, Executive Director, U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)

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