Governor's Commission on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Meeting Minutes –7/10/23

Present: Meg Polyte, Darryll Rudy, Mindy Clawson, Pamela Smith, Mary Beth Pinard, Kaili Kuiper, Neeley Bryant, Rep Dan Noyes, Sen Randy Brock, Rick Neu, Janet Nunziata, Stephanie Parker, Deborah Costello, Mohammed Basha, Carolyn Olson Taylor, Julie Skarha, Jason Pelopida, Mark Boutwell, Rhonda Williams, Molly Dugan, Angela Smith-Dieng, Michael Byers, Jane Dwinell

TOPIC	NOTES	DECISION/ACTION
General Intro	 Welcome- new guests Open seats: Approve May minutes, Janet Moved to approve, Rep Noyes seconded. All approved. None opposed. 	May minutes approved.
Health Care Advocate & Ombudsman Presentation Mike Fisher, Emma Zavez, Kaili Kuiper see 2023 Annual Report linked here	 Advocates office supports VT'rs access to care. This office achieves that via phone/helpline assistance, staffs 8 advocates for in person assistance statewide and assists via work of a policy team. All VT'rs are eligible. Kaili presents Ombudsman program overview 	Office of the Health Care advocate at 1-800- 917-7787 or online at vtlawhelp.org/health
DAIL Long Term Care Regulation Update Presentation Pam Cota/Carolyn Scott	 In the process of revising regulations, recent version was from 2000-2003 Link 2018 flint springs report, Link to regulations Draft is in review- stakeholder feedback received in May and applied to draft where necessary. ADRD Additions: safety and quality of care in private in publicly funded care settings-general training, special care units, added protections for individuals receiving nursing home level of care in a non-nursing home setting. Additional guidance around anti-Psychotic meds and informed consent. 	DLP and DAIL will release Public comment details over the coming months
Professional Educational Opportunities Report Update & Next Steps	Meg shares presentation on Professional Education Opportunities report What else needs to be researched to add to this report? -meeting with medical community, information related to younger onset and early diagnosis -Rhonda recommends reaching out to Bi-State Primary Care Association/Heather Skeels and the VT Medical Society	-
DAIL Update and Grant Opportunities	New community grant opportunity coming in fall 23 to enhance services, staff recruitment, capital improvements. Grants available to HCBS organizations and residential care homes -Marketing campaign to build workforce, provide grants to individuals increase access to technology and home modification, Studying different types of residential models. New ACL grant opportunity called Alz Disease initiative cooperative agreement offered yearly, 3 year program requires states to implement evidence based program for ADRD. State is	Commission members volunteer to assist with grant: Read/review: Meg, Deborah Costello, Rick Neu.

	considering RCI REACH program.	Commission will write a letter of Support
BOLD and BRFSS Update	Link to BRFSS 2021 Data Summary Link to HPDP Brain Health Data Report 2023	
	Proposed - Optional Modules & State Added Questions 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026	
	Email Julie with any additional questions <u>Julie.skarha@vermont.gov</u>	
Dementia Friendly Community Update	Middlebury held a roundtable on June 6 and they are planning community events in the fall, VDH website is moving forward and is in Draft review. Local VDH office in Barre is interested in building out DF efforts in community- discussions on how that will take shape are ongoing.	
Member Announcements and Wrap Up	Meeting adjourned 12:02	

Next Meeting September 11 10-12 virtual

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