

Governor's Commission on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders
Meeting Minutes – 9/19/22

Present: Josh Smith, Janet Nunziata, Stephanie Parker, Conor O'Dea, Sarah Poole(VA), Mohammed Basha, Rep Daniel Noyes, Molly Dugan, Ed DeMott, Senator Randy Brock, Pam Smith, Glenn Jarrett, Deb Wesley, Megan Tierney Ward, Rhonda Williams, Simone Rueschemeyer, Lucas Kovacevich, Tiffany Smith

TOPIC	NOTES	DECISION/ACTION
Regular Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of July minutes. Glenn motioned to approve, Janet seconded, all in favor, none opposed, none abstained. • New member intros- Simone Rueschmeyer- Family Caregiver and Sara Poole Mental Health Clinician • Member announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UVMCOA: New Intern Lucas Kovacevich - UVMCOA: Events 'Start a Village' see below - Cathedral Square/SASH: Funding received for SASH fellow to work on legacy project and provide support at SASH sites, also- Cathedral Sq will open 30 person residence in South Hero on Oct 1 	-July minutes approved.
Alzheimer's Association Updates	<p>The Alzheimer's Association is restarting its community conversations "We're ALZ in this together."</p> <p>Destigmatizing Dementia events in the Northeast Kingdom and Windham County are being planned for early December</p> <p>All events are free and open to the public. Breakfast is provided. For more information or to register: https://p2a.co/FY6bJDu</p>	
VDH Update	<p><u>Presentation/overview of of BOLD State Plan on ALZ and Healthy Aging action steps</u>, BOLD plan going through final review.</p> <p>VDH and Alz Association partnership is providing education series to AHS as well as a learning series to community health teams. VDH is looking at evidence based programs specific to falls risk to implement across the state in anticipation of a grant that will be available this winter. Next BOLD grant/cooperative agreement will be released in December (5 yr cycle). Meg Polyte and Ed DeMott will be participating in an intensive summit in Washington DC- Focus of summit is 'Cross Agency Collaboration'</p> <p>** Break out small group session for deep dives into Action Plan Goals **</p>	
DAIL Update	<p>Conor shares the opportunity across the state for volunteers to participate in meal delivery programs and other Older Americans Act programs – contact regional AAAs if interested.</p> <p>Vermont Action Plan for Alzheimer's and Related Dementias will be added (once approved) as an addendum to the State Plan on Aging. A joint press release</p>	

	will be shared by DAIL and VDH	
Update from the State house (if any)	Senator Brock directs members to provide input for legislative discussion now in anticipation of next Leg season.	
Sub-Committee Updates	Supporting Diverse Caregiver Workforce and Dementia Friendly Vermont sub committees are looking for more members- please share the opportunity within your networks to anyone interested. Both groups will have monthly re-occurring meeting times.	Contact tiffany.smith@vermont.gov if you are interested in leading(or co lead) either of the subcommittees.
Act 113 Professional Educational Opportunities Report	Janet and Glenn provided review of 2018 Dementia Care Training Recommendations made to Dept of Licensing and Protection. 3 Commission Members chosen/volunteered to be on work group Josh Smith, Molly Dugan, Deb Wesley Commission discusses the challenge of workforce shortages and the intersection of hiring, retention, and training. Dr Saroyan shares the importance of training being completed in the first 60 days for retention. Also references New Hampshire Dementia Care Training guidance and Massachusetts Standards for long term care facilities Commission reviews stakeholders/partners in VT for Dementia Care Training -Home Health, Hospice, Shared Living Providers, Paid caregiver workforce, RN-LPN-CNA-LNA, Home Share participants, Faith based Professionals, Social Workers, LMHC...	
2023 Legislative Priorities/2022 Annual Report	One hour of November meeting will be set aside to work on the report together. Link to 2021 Annual Report	The ADRD Policy Committee will be meeting to start planning our 2023 legislative priorities and invite anyone to join us. If you can't join us, but have legislative priorities from your organization or sector that align with ADRD goals, please forward them to Meg (mmpolyte@alz.org) so we can discuss including them in our list. Monday October 17 from 3-4PM https://meet.google.com/akw-cznx-erv Wednesday November 16 from 11-12 https://meet.google.com/tjn-hucf-kso Annual Report work group: Megan Polyte, Mark Boutwell, John Saroyan, Molly Dugan
Wrap Up		Meg moved to adjourn; Josh seconded.

Next Meeting November 21st 10am-12 virtual

**See below for 'Start a Village' Flyer



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are neighbors helping neighbors to age in their home of choice by joining together to offer services through paid and volunteer staff. A village reflects its community, is developed by and for the community.

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GETTING STARTED IN VERMONT

WELCOMING BARBARA SULLIVAN
Village-to-Village Network
National Director

- **MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 1 PM – KILLINGTON**
Killington Grand Hotel
- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 10 AM – WATERBURY**
Best Western Plus
- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 4 PM – BURLINGTON**
Fletcher Free Library

ZOOM ONLINE
VIDEO OPTION →

AVAILABLE ONLY ON
OCTOBER 25 - 4PM
Registration required

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

MORE INFORMATION:

RSVP STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

Email: aging@uvm.edu

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COFFEE AND TEA PROVIDED

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