

## VA Provider Committee Call Minutes

June 10, 2016

*Members Present:* Karia Basta  
Michele Meyerkorth  
Carole Benedict  
Jody Frederick  
Danna Auriana  
Nick Wood  
Michael Kpodo  
Cheryl Derby

Karia welcomed everyone and roll call was taken.

Karia spoke about the COC reorganization that was introduced at the meeting last Friday. She explained that there needs to be changes in that the BOSCOG lost \$360K from Tier 2 funding in the 2015 NOFA. She stressed that the involvement of the organizations serving Veterans is crucial to the success of the Continuum. Also that what is needed to achieve the performance measures and the work to accomplish them needs to occur locally with all involved agencies.

How this reorganization will occur:

- Six (6) month transition
- The July Regional Meetings are scheduled and will cover
  - AHAR
  - PIT
- September Statewide Meeting @ AZCEH Conference
  - Local representative needs to be confirmed
  - ADOH will contract with representative agency
- January—the first meeting of local representatives' roundtable discussion will be held in Phoenix

It is expected that local representatives will be the conduit between the Collaborative Applicant and the local planning bodies. They will be part of and also reporting on what planning and activities are occurring locally to end homelessness. They will attend in person quarterly meetings in Phoenix to share, brainstorm and report on those outcomes. ADOH will enter into a contract with the representative's agency for planning dollars to offset travel expenses and be responsible for the planning. The contract will include a scope of work. ADOH will remain the collaborative applicant with HUD.

Nick discussed the By-name List. A website is being created for the BOS to access. A password setup will be required and maintained by Nick. The database will be updated once a week with notes to be used during Case Conferencing. The By-name List will be worked by weekly Case Conferencing calls and monthly "how is it going" calls. Nick will be the facilitator for the first few months. On the website, there is a link to 211 for those seeking services and a link for providers to access. The provider's contact information will be available to other providers to assist with Case Conferencing. Carole reported that different foundations have been solicited for funding for website maintenance, domain name, etc.

Karia asked if this committee would like to incorporate with the Vets@Home Committee as we seem to discuss the same topics with the same players. It was agreed to do so. Until the TA funds are used, we will no longer have bi-monthly calls but participate in the calls arranged by Chris Pitcher.

The PIT data is completed. An ADOH bulletin will be issued, hopefully on Monday, with the information being posted on the website. If you are needing specific data in a specific format, please contact Candee Stanton at [candee.stanton@gmail.com](mailto:candee.stanton@gmail.com). While we are still around 1,000 individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness, the veteran number has decreased.

Keep up the good work on the By-name List.

There were no additional items to discuss. Karia wished everyone a great weekend. The meeting ended at 1:45 p.m.