

EMR ABI NETWORK MEETING

Date: 16th April 2014

Time: 10:00 am

Chaired by:

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1 WELCOME

2 PRESENT & APOLOGIES

PRESENT

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APOLOGIES

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3 ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Accepted by

Marc Paradin V.C.A.S.P

Second:

Seconded on voices

4 PRESENTATION: National Disability Services NDIS – Presented by: Stephanie Worsteling

Please find attached a copy of the presentation and a link to the NDS Vic Readiness webpage which provides links to information and a range of practical tools and resources -

<http://www.nds.org.au/projects/article/137>

5 AGENCY UPDATES

a) RIDE – Rebecca Wootton

- New RIDE booklets available
- Respite 4th June 9.30 - 11.15, Willis Room, Whitehorse
- RIDE Expo 03/09/14 at the Hungarian Community Centre 10am – 2pm

b) United Care Community Options – Jenny Sims

- Mental Health / Young Carers
- One on one emergency respite
- Carer Events

c) TAC – Catherine COLE

- Individual Plan Module – 2nd Stream
- Independence sanction (ABI & Spinal)

d) Care Connect – Maria Wiechers

- Major focus on IT systems
- Tapping into more services (aged Care/Mental Health)
- Servicing 3 States

e) EACH – Barb Lorey

- Referrals from TAC (60%) & DHS (40%)
- Lots of activities and events e.g. Lunch, Music, Singing, Sailing at Lilydale etc
- Community Centre Coffee house, workers at the community are people living with a disability. There is the hope to replicate as it has been pretty successful.

f) Independent Rehab Services – Di Butcher

- Received a grant for research – ABI client use of google calendar
- Specialise in non-compensable, packages, TAC
- Mobility Group

g) Melbourne City Mission – Kemal Cevikoglu

- ABI Statewide case management vacancy
- Handed out funding application forms
- Case management (Intake) - 86259943

h) Austin Health – Shayne & Jutta

- Brain Switch Program
- Low integration housing opening soon
- Family/Carer impact section (May)
- Registrar on team – working with community/mainly with GP

i) BrainLink Services – Donna & Lee

- New General Manager Kevin Kreiner
- Suzanne Shaw liaison for the Royal Melbourne Hospital and Lorraine Carey at Monash
- Month to month calendars on BrainLink website

6 VCASP Update

- Brain Injury Awareness Week: Conference in Bendigo 11th August
- KING HIT theme for BIA week
- Submission to the FCDC Inquiry into the Social Inclusion of Victorians with a Disability
- Submission to the Inquiry into Affordable Housing
- YoungCare VicGrants
- Upcoming Conference - Younger People with Complex Needs

7 DHS Update - Unavailable

8 OTHER BUSINESS

a) Next EMR ABI Network Meeting:

18th June 2014, 10am – 12pm Betty Cuthbert Room, The Nerve Centre,
Blackburn 3130

Presentation by: Maryclare Machen, Executive Director from EDVOS
(Eastern Domestic Violence Service)

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