

Meeting Minutes

Mtg. Facilitator: Samantha Sweet, Cheryle Wilcox, Alison Krompf	Where: Microsoft Teams Date: 8-14-2020 Start Time: 10:00pm End Time: 11:00pm
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Attendees

Those marked with yellow highlight were in attendance.

Name	DA/SSA/Dept.	Name	DA/SSA/Dept.
Troy Parah	NCSS	Carolyn McBain	DMH
Megan Shedaker	NCSS	Dillon Burns	VCP
Virginia Havemeyer	LCMH	Bryanne Castle	LCMH
Diane Bugbee	DAIL	Laura Kass	RMH
Lindsay Mesa	Pathways	Danielle Payton	RMH
Kate Lamphere	HCRS	Lori Vadakin	UCS
Julie Pagglicia	UCS	Matt McNeil	HC
Tim Gould	NKHS	Noreen Shapiro-Berry	NKHS
Lisa Dobkowski	CSAC	Gretchen Pembroke	CMC
Chelsea Alsofrom	Pathways	Tim Gould	NKHS
Dustin Redlein	RMH	Amanda Young	NKHS
Claudia Alexander	NKHS		

Regrets: Kate Lamphere, Gretchen Pembroke

Agenda	Topic	Next Steps
Introductions and Welcome Back!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not all members have access to Microsoft Teams so if anyone has a Zoom link to use for this meeting please send to Cheryle to embed. Welcome new members 	The state does not have a Zoom account, but we can put it in calendars to use for future.
Updates and Check ins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-orienting to the training website Reminder for supervisors- you can get access to the administrative access for your agencies and see when/if staff have been certified Updates about trainers Discuss ANSA start date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alison shared the ppt. about ANSA about implementing the ANSA at your agency and website information to get trained on ANSA to remind everyone you have resources available. Reminder-the state is paying for certification for ANSA so there is no cost to agencies. (the ppt. shows details of how to select courses for free) When you access the administrative portion of the website you can see if staff are struggling with the exam so you can support them. Very important to take the practice exam first as that helps folks pass the certification exam. You can get certified online and Alison is available to Suzie Button has moved on from her position so April Fernando will be our new contact/trainer. Will invite her to a future virtual meeting so everyone can get to know her. A question has been raised about becoming certified prior to the official Vermont ANSA tool-our tool will have less questions on it than the ANSA exam and the importance is in understanding the overall tool and rating so there is no need to wait until the Vermont tool is final. There will not be any need to go back and get re-certified after our tool is final even if there are some differences in our tool. 	See email Alison sent during the meeting with these documents.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have to keep the certification annual at this time, per Praed. DMH is willing to keep pushing on this after we have folks who have been certified for 2-3 years to see if it can be extended out. • Chelsea, Pathways: have about 5 staff and leaders who have gotten certified. Said it was pretty painless. They watched videos and then all got together to discuss the info. before becoming certified. • Megan Shedaker, NCSS-several leadership and direct service staff are trained and certified. Similar watched videos and then had discussion together. • EMR update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Waiting to include it in EMR until Vermont has an official version of ANSA. This is true for all agencies using Credible. • Final ANSA tool is close to final review by this team. The group creating the tool is meeting again in Sept. • ANSA start date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due to COVID, this has been delayed ○ We are trying to balance service provision and payment reform —we have approval from CMS that we would be using a standardized tool in return for the payment flexibilities allowed so we need to keep this on the radar. ○ Looking at July 1, 2021 start date—response from group members that they are relieved about pushing this back. • Implementation Plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rutland, NCSS, HC: have implementation teams at their agencies. ○ Recommend if you have someone strong in the CANS ask them to join based on their experience. • When you do the follow up ANSAs it is helpful to have the new one pre-populated with the past score so you can adjust and be reminded of where things were at. Just be sure the date of renewal gets changed. 	
<p>Wrap Up and Next Steps</p>	<p>Back to recurring monthly meetings—next one is Friday, Sept. 11th from 10-11.</p>	