

Meeting Minutes

Mtg. Facilitator: Samantha Sweet, Cheryle Wilcox, Alison Krompf	Where: AHS – WSOC Beech Date: 11/08/2019 Start Time: 10:00pm End Time: 11:30pm
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Attendees

Those marked with a “✓” were in attendance, those marked with a “x” weren’t. **BOLD** indicate meeting guests.

Name	DA/SSA/Dept.	Name	DA/SSA/Dept.
✓ Samantha Thomas	NCSS	✓ Carolyn McBain	DMH
✓ Megan Shedaker	NCSS	✓ Dillon Burns	VCP
✓ Virginia Havemeyer	LCMH	✓ Leslie Hendry (phone)	HC
✓ Diane Bugbee	DAIL	✓ Laura Kass	RMH
✓ Lindsay Mesa	Pathways	✓ Danielle Payton	RMH
✓ Kate Lamphere (phone)	HCRS	✓ Paul Dilonno (phone)	UCS
Julie Pagglicia	UCS	Matt McNeil	HC
✓ Lisa Dobkowski (phone)	CSAC	Noreen Shapiro-Berry	NKHS
✓ Gretchen Pembroke	CMC		

Regrets: Samantha Sweet, Noreen Shapiro-Berry

Lesley Hendry for Matt McNeil

Agenda Item	Discussion Notes	Next Steps
Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 19th learning opportunity with Suzie Button • ANSA Subcommittee 	<p>ANSA Learning Opportunity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This event is a first opportunity for designated agencies to learn about the ANSA. We will not be going through each item, it will be focused on how this is useful in working with clients, how do I embed this in the intake process, etc. • This day is not mandatory. • Lunch is being provided 😊 thanks to Vermont Care Partners and the mental health block grant. • We have space for 100 people so no limit to the number of staff DAs can send. It is important to have leaders, supervisors and staff from agencies so more than one person gets the information. • A few folks are interested in attending the CANS day as well to get perspective about supervisory skills and supporting staff. You are welcome to do that and if we start reaching capacity we will prioritize folks doing the CANS. We will be sure to have a future learning opportunity for supervisors regarding the CANS. <p>ANSA Subcommittee:</p> <p>Thank you very much to those who volunteered to be part of the ANSA Subcommittee: probably 3 meetings and will have a skype option. Hoping to have the ANSA final by April.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alison Krompf ○ Diane Bugbee ○ Samantha Thomas ○ Carolyn McBain 	<p>See attached registration flyer for more details</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Danielle Payton <p>The work this group does will be brought back here for final review and approval.</p>	
<p>Laura Kass has experience with the ANSA in Maine, so we asked her to speak to how that went</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maine started with the ANSA and then did CANS. Their ANSA had 110 questions. ● They reviewed their initial ANSA treatment plan after 3 months because they found doing the initial they may not have all the information, but after 3 months they knew the client better and the next ANSA was more informed. After that they updated every 6 months. ● Using the ANSA, they found needs they would not have found otherwise ● Challenges were extra work, admin, getting people comfortable with the tool, testing and anxiety around that. ● They used it for utilization review-and finding the right level of care for clients. ● Staff and clients found it was helpful to see progress being made ● NCSS shared they have been piloting the ANSA just to get staff comfortable with the tool. Two staff in CRT, have the online ANSA certification. They are coaching the staff using it to support them. The two staff will start using the ANSA with a few clients to try it out. 	
<p>Implementing the ANSA at your Agency ~ Alison Krompf</p>	<p>This presentation covered the following: the presentation is not a directive it is a road map for consideration. Local implementation has looked different for the CANS and that worked well to take into account the different ways agencies work. We anticipate that will be similar with the ANSA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implementation Topics to consider when moving forward with the ANSA (have a state implementation team (we do!), redundancy assessment, practice protocols, data management, staff training, have a local implementation team, supervisor training) ● Implementation team considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ different members to have (for example we learned from CANS that we didn't have IT in meetings early enough) ○ develop a mission that integrates ANSA into everyday workings of the organization ○ develop an implementation timeline ○ delegate one member of your agency to the statewide ANSA implementation team ○ think about other screenings, information, assessments that are done with clients to see if anything can be replaced or embedded with the ANSA. (When the CANS started DMH said agencies no longer had to the ASEBA tools-child behavior 	<p>See attached ppt. from today's discussion</p> <p>We should create a resource page on the DMH website to post resources on the ANSA. The CANS resources if you'd like to see examples can be found at: https://ifs.vermont.gov/content/child-and-adolescent-needs-and-strengths-cans-0</p> <p>We should consider doing learning</p>

	<p>checklist, etc. for Behavioral Interventionist programs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vermont Care Partners did work with the network to provide feedback to DMH about ANSA implementation and recommendations for population, frequency of use, guidance documents. See attached to read the full document. • Identify a point person to have access to the admin view of the training site to monitor staff training—you can see how staff are doing on the tests, themes if there are areas staff are struggling with, who is certified. • Timeline for use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All new clients receive an ANSA-Jan 1, 2021-we do not expect you are going to be able to immediately do an ANSA on all of your current clients who meet the eligibility to have one. ○ All existing clients have an ANSA by Dec. 31, 2021 • 	<p>community calls after January on topics folks would find helpful as we move towards ANSA implementation statewide for Jan. 1, 2021 (to be using and able to get data out of your EHR)</p> <p>If you are interested in having Alison come to your agency to partner with you to talk about ANSA please reach out to her to schedule.</p>
<p>Gathering Information from this group to inform the ANSA Subcommittee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What do you think will be most helpful? 2. Are there questions you have immediate concerns about or suggestions for? 3. What areas are not currently covered by other intake processes or assessments that you think staff will need additional support and training on? 	<p>Consider the screenings agencies are going to be doing to see if any can be embedded in the ANSA.</p> <p>The ANSA can be used as the intake tool (assessment). This was done for the CANS-the state sent a memo stating this and sent a template that could be used. You can find the CANS info on the IFS website: https://ifs.vermont.gov/content/child-and-adolescent-needs-and-strengths-cans-0 and is called the <i>CANS as the Psychosocial</i>. DMH can create something similar for the ANSA.</p> <p>How could the ANSA capture the mental status exam components?</p>	
<p>Wrap Up and Next Steps</p>	<p>Next month's agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about what agencies will need for training and support • Who has gone into the Praed website and looked at the training? 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief from ANSA training happening November 19th• January agenda item: Have NCSS staff share how they have been piloting the ANSA-Samantha and Megan said they would be happy to do that.• How are we using strengths and building strengths?	
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