Marquette County I-Team - Minutes

# November 8, 2022

**In attendance: Colleen Sengbusch (APS), Kelly Doll (Supervisor @ MyChoice), Melissa Klebs (DCS @ ADRC), Dana Roth (Legal Action of WI/Elder Rights Project), Jenny Vedder (Inclusa), Monika Wainsbrot (National Exchange Bank), Janet Weigel (ADAW), Rob Lulling (EMS Director), Dawn Woodard (Clinical Services Manager)**

**Meeting started at 9:01 am. In person with virtual option**

**Reviewed Agenda**: Motion to approve agenda was made by Dana and seconded by Melissa. Motion carried.

**Reviewed minutes** from August 2022. Motion to approve was made by Melissa and seconded by Dana. Motion carried.

**Presentation:** Crystal Abler presented on Habitat for Humanity. They are rebuilding their board and planning to hold meetings in all three Counties they serve this year (Marquette, Green Lake, and Waushara). Discussed need for handymen/builders to help run their Repairs program. This program can help with smaller projects like handrails, ramps, grab bars in the bathroom, etc. In the spring a Restore will be opening in Wautoma. Habitat has built 21 homes in the 3 counties with one recently being paid off. Applications are at the Wautoma office. Pre-applications can be done at anytime even if a build is not being done. Credit scores are checked when people apply. The applicant must be able to volunteer 300 hours to help build the home. If the applicant cannot, there must be friends/families that can. If an applicant is not chosen for a build they need to reapply in the future.

**Upcoming Presentations:**  **Colleen will reach out to presenters below to try and schedule them**

**Ideas for 2023**: Polly Shoemaker Guardianship Support Center, Monika Wainsbrot (Financial Exploitation), Sonya K-Victim Service Attorney (Elder Financial Empowerment Project CWAG), Nela Kalpic (Marsy’s Law), CVSO to discuss expanded benefits for veterans who had contact with burn pits

**Discussions:** Janet asked if banks could red flag people with advanced dementia. Monika explained bank employees have training on things to look for regarding exploitation and financial abuse. Discussion about strategies to protect income and assets of vulnerable adults were discussed. The team asked if banks could limit cash withdrawals/ATM/DEBIT card use for people who have dementia. Monika was going to do some research and get back to the team/Colleen. Some scams were discussed, and Monika said they always tell people to ask themselves “does this make sense” when a request for gift cards/money/bail money is made to someone. Often the scams do not make sense if you stop and think about the situation.

Meetings for 2023 are **February 14, May 9, August 8,** and **November 14.** The Demo Room has been reserved so people can choose to attend in person or virtually.

**Stories, Successes, and struggles:** No specific cases were brought up to the group. Colleen discussed the types of calls and referrals received lately.

**Agency Updates:** The ADRC shared about some recent events (Caregiver Appreciation even, POA event). There will be a Managing Money Presentation on November 22. It will be offered in person or virtually. Janet shared there is an upcoming all-day conference in Columbus about Lewy Body Dementia.

**Community Outreach:** I-Team Recruitment. Please think about your community contacts and invite them or refer them to Colleen for more information about the ITEAM.

Next Meeting: February 14 @ 9:00 am at the Service Center (480 Underwood Ave) or virtually

**Suggested Agenda Items**: None, but the team was encouraged to contact Colleen with any items prior to the next meeting.

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.**

Minutes Submitted By: Colleen Sengbusch

* Monika later notified Colleen that banks could decrease a customer’s ATM withdrawal amount can be lowered. If a POA lowers it could be changed back by the account owner. Guardianship could avoid the account holder being able to increase the limit.