

Local/Regional Direct Services Committee Report 3/13/03 VICC Meeting

The LRDS Committee met following the Virginia Interagency Coordination Council meeting on December 12, 2001. The committee reviewed the 2001 work plan and prioritized the following areas for inclusion in the workplan for the next 9 months: 45-Day Timeline (CIMP Plan of Improvement), Transition (completion of the technical assistance document) and review of the Q & A Document on Procedural Safeguards. Due to time constraints, the committee decided that development of recommendations concerning client records, as well as review and recommendations about evaluation and assessment tools and practices will be coordinated through the Part C office.

The transition document has been drafted and is being revised based on Transition Subcommittee input. It will be sent to the VICC for review and must be approved by the Department of Education and the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services prior to dissemination.

A minor change was made to the Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) on page 6 in order to meet the Out-patient Rehabilitation Facility requirements. Carol Burke worked on this with Don Long, Supervisor of the Division of Acute Care Services, Virginia Department of Health who works with licensure. Input provided by the LRDS Committee was incorporated into the IFSP revision and the corresponding revision of IFSP instructions. Information was disseminated to the field regarding the change on January 22, 2002.

A sub group of the LRDS is developing a new IFSP sample, as well as collecting real IFSP examples from across the state to be used for training and technical assistance.

The committee reviewed and provided input about the Policy Page on Evaluation and Assessment. The input is currently being incorporated into the document.

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