West Central Regional Quality Council
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The Regional Quality Council will:

1. Support efforts and initiatives that drive overall systems and social change to promote inclusion of people who have disabilities in Minnesota
2. Improve person-centered outcomes in disability services
3. Identify or enhance quality of life for people who have disabilities

West Central Regional Quality Council Talking Points

Hybrid meeting-We will be meeting in the Spuds Room on 5th of the Family Service Center

Join Zoom Meeting
https://arcminnesota.zoom.us/j/86181863433?pwd=TBF97J0MY0m5tLGOFySunetFXiYD53.1

Attendance: Katie Cragg, Jason Melby, Sherri Wahl, Sarah Jensen, Chad Erdmann, Christina Marquis, Kerri Leucuta, Kassi Sofferman, Cortney Kressin, Shannon Bock, Tayler Guccione

1) **Welcome/Introductions.** (5 minutes)
   - **a)** Did you love or hate camp when you were a kid?

2) **Toolkit update-**Tayler Guccione
   - **a)** The toolkit is made for jobseekers with disabilities. However, it would also be beneficial for caregivers of people with disabilities and those who hire
   - **b)** The toolkit will be ready in July!
   - **c)** 70 pages long. Part two will be more broken down
   - **d)** The next toolkit will be able money management and will be about 30 pages
   - **e)** Upcoming idea: Toolkit related to navigating health and wellness and healthcare decisions
   - **f)** Disability pride
     - Swag items: Stickers, activity booklets
     - Will be available on the website

3) **Regional Capacity Building (10 min)** Cortney or Kassi
   - **a)** Bite sized learning on universal design

b) Looking for guest presenters!

- July west central meeting: Local provider who uses positive supports
- Statewide meeting in august: Motivational Interviewing topic

4) **Disability Pride Month-**July Events discussion

a) Do we want to help fund this as a service project? $300-$500

b) How can we get the word out? Who do we get the flyers to?

c) Event dates: July 10, 17, 24, 31

d) We would like to make this a yearly event

e) Finding local places to donate food or discount

- https://heartnsoulcafe.com/

5) **Workgroups -** Full council brainstorm

a) **Employment** (35 minutes)

- Project search Fall 2026-MPS is projected to start their project search
- Regional Groups/Committees?
  (1) Need to look at regional committees for employment-is anyone apart of one or know of groups?
  (2) Transportation is a big issue
  (3) Reconsidering a reverse job fair

b) **Transition to Adulthood** (35 minutes)

- Listening Sessions-nobody attended but I will be setting up some office hours to see if I can get some 1-1 sessions scheduled.
- U of M ICI discussion on resources-they are about where we are with transition. What's next? How do we get resources out there? The group thinks we don't lack resources...it's just how to get it out to families.
- Healthcare transition? We haven't talked much about this. Gillette had a webinar on this Monday.

(1) https://gottransition.org/
(2) There is an initiative in Minnesota (MN Dept of Health)
(3) Will hopefully join the Gillette group to talk about how we can promote healthcare transition information in greater Minnesota.
(a) Is there something we can do in our region?

- Curriculum discussion with a number of transition teachers in the metro. Very interesting and this maybe would be something we could add to the website.

c) Policy Update-no update, meeting postponed

6) Culture of Safety Data Action Group (DAG) (5 minutes)

a) Wrapping up and then we might end up reconfiguring how the group looks.

7) Next Meetings and Events

- Thursday, June 26th Statewide Workforce Shortage Monthly Meeting
- Thursdays in July-Disability Pride events (July 10, 17, 24, 31)
- Monday, July 14th Culture of Safety
- Tuesday, July 15th West Central RQC Meeting

Other meetings/workshops

Pacer Workshops

Disability Hub Calendar

Upcoming AuSm Workshops

Minutes from past meetings.

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