

OHBI Workforce Development Workgroup

December 3, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Belinda Rogers, Dannielle Ayers, Jana Castleberry, Keith Kleszynski, Germaine Odenheimer, Leslie Ballenger, Linda Thompson, Lindsey Diel, Morgan Fitzgerald, Sara Paape, Dr. Sarah Coats

Welcome and Introductions:

Keith welcomed everyone, spoke about OkDCN and the GWEP grant. Each attendee introduced themselves. Keith recapped the meeting from October and reshared the ranking results from the poll after the first meeting.

Rankings of responses to potential focuses of this workgroup:

1. Grow OkDCN Dementia Friendly Community Health Worker (CHW) Program
2. Dementia Friendly CNA/HHA Certification
3. Dementia Friendly Facility Certification
4. (tie): Memory Care Certification, General Dementia Friendly Certification

Today we are going to focus on #1.

Group Discussion:

Grow OkDCN Dementia Friendly Community Health Worker (CHW) Program

- Discussed how OCCHD CHW, Tulsa CHW's and CHR's in tribes have been trained already. Morgan said she is working with Dr. Reinschmidt to work on providing the training for OSDH CHW's sometime hopefully in the Spring of 2022.
- Jana shared information about a training approach to facilitate the CHW training statewide for possible certification to not just CHW's. Invite community health service group to the workgroup for possible collaboration. FHQ's hopefully hiring CHW in January or February- looping them into the same training.
- New CHW grant/project that has landed in Enid from CDC. Jana will share information to the group.

Discussed how do we want to work on writing the goal for Certified CHW.

- Can we find out how many CHW's we have in Oklahoma? How many tribal CHR's?
- Do CHW's have continuing education requirements? Not right now.
- Can we tailor the curriculum towards home health aides?
- Train CHW's as Promotora's working in the Hispanic populations.

Action Items for Next Meeting:

Keith will draft together steps for us to move forward and share with the group to chime in. He will send a doodle poll to decide the next meeting date.

Close:

Next Meeting Date: Keith will send out a Doodle poll to decide the next meeting date.

Next Coalition Meeting Date: January 18, 2022 from 1-3pm.

Meeting Adjourned