

August 17, 2020 Peer Support Expert Commission meeting notes

In attendance: Karen Kranbuehl, Elliot Palmer, Dr. Kemi Amola-Hill, Rosemary Weaver, Cherene Caraco, Wes Rider, Brandon Rollings, Joseph Martinez, Dr. Greg Rice, Dr. Trasha Black, Jennifer Whitfield, Dr. Bernice Adjabeng

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Welcome and agenda	Facilitator: Karen Kranbuehl Note taker(s): Jennifer Whitfield		

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Review of last meeting's notes and Agenda	Notes for meeting date August 10, 2020 submitted and approved. Agenda for today August 17, 2020 shared with group		

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Updates from DHHS, UNC Peer workgroup, Contact forms	<p>Division update: Brandon reported he had spoken with Dr. Laws from the Division and received support for The Peer Support Expert Commission to post its recommendations for public comment. Also provided a suggestion from Dr. Laws that this group issue a Press Release to raise awareness of the efforts of the group and spread awareness that public comments were welcome. Discussion regarding press release-related issues.</p> <p>No updates from UNC Peer workgroup</p> <p>One question received through contact form regarding whether this certification will equate to QP status. Question was</p>	<p>-Create a paragraph to be included in Press Release</p> <p>-Develop talking points-which commission members will use if contacted by any media outlets.</p> <p>-Press release will be created and Brandon will coordinate with DHHS for a quote from staff and re sending to Rose Hoban with NC Health News</p> <p>Members of the Commission not present will be contacted to provide them with this information as their names</p>	<p>Cherene Caraco</p> <p>Tara Bohley is in the process of creating/ongoing</p> <p>Brandon</p>

	answered that QP designation is out of the scope of this Commission and not addressed in recommendations	and contact information is accessible and identifies them as members	
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Review of Recommendations Drafted to be posted for Public Comment	Commission reviewed drafted version submitted by Karen Kranbuehl to be posted for Public Comment. Discussion occurred surrounding some word choices and edits were made(specifically, changed "working as a Peer Specialist" to state "Does not seek to regulate "A person who is offering Peer to Peer support"). Final draft approved for posting Google Form to capture questions. Discussion around need to create a workgroup to manage answering/monitoring questions	Will be posted for a 30 day period-Need a finalized method to receive public comments. Google form to be created	Tentative posting date 8/25/2020. Karen K will create a google form for public to use for comments and have for Commission at 8/24/2020 meeting

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Review of draft language to announce posting	Reviewed draft announcement written and submitted by Greg Rice. Discussion around the difference between this document and Press Release and the need for different versions/intents, target audiences	2 versions to be created- a 'press release' and a 'press release Plus which adds a disclosure	Karen, this week

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Draft of Letter seeking Support review	Draft version of Letter Seeking Support submitted by Jennifer Whitfeld reviewed. Discussion around intent for this letter and its intention. Questions included whether it is to seek endorsement, support for legislative change or just public support and spreading of	More work needed to make edits based on feedback on flow of the letter. There will ultimately be 2 letters. One for the current stage (encouraging public	Karen K and Jennifer W-This week, for the first letter.

	awareness of Commission and its goals. The 2 intentions dictate when this document should be finalized and dispersed.	comment participation) and another in the future when a bill or other measure is in play.	
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Training need for Advocacy/Lobbying	<p>Brandon communicated that Dr. Laws could possibly be available as early as Sept 9 to provide training around advocacy and/or lobbying.</p> <p>Rosemary W also shared a connection she has that provides this training through a grant.</p> <p>Commission discussed and agreed more training is preferable and group would seek both opportunities.</p>	Brandon and Rosemary will each coordinate with their contacts to schedule training opportunities	As soon as possible

Next meeting-Monday Aug. 24, 2020	Facilitator- Rosemary Weaver Note Taker-Greg Rice
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