CAPE AND ISLANDS SUICIDE PREVENTION COALITION
MEETING NOTES
July 9, 2009

Present:

Tim Lineaweaver, Community Health Center	Beth Albert – Barnstable County Human Services
Kathie Callahan, Barnstable County Human Services	Ann Beckert, Family Continuity
Maryanne Worth – Nantucket Human Services	Steve Brown, UMass Donahue-Youth Empowerment Initiative
Kate McHugh – BCA	Mark Abbott, Falmouth Human Services
Sally-Anne Imes – Town of Barnstable Youth Services	Beverly Costa-Ciavola, Independence House
Jocelyn Andrade – BMC HealthNet Plan	Maura, Weir, Youth Suicide Grant Project Coordinator
Kathy Quatromoni, DA's Office	Steve Ryan, Dept. of Children & Families
Jenny Garneau, Dept. of Mental Health, Nantucket	Leslie Moreland, MSPCC
Maura Wilson, Samaritans	Steve Jochim, Dept. of Mental Health
Paul Wild, Elder Services	Katherine Kress, PhD – Private Practice

Unable to attend: Sheila House, Kathy Newman, Susan Rohrbach, Gail Wilson

Introduction of Maura Weir, Youth Grant Coordinator

Maura was introduced to group. She gave a brief synopsis of her work plan. She is currently compiling a community assessment tool for the purposes of gathering data. Maura also noted that September 6 – 12 is National Suicide Prevention Week. She would like to launch the C&I Youth Suicide Prevention project that week. Already scheduled sites are Falmouth, Mashpee, Nantucket & Martha's Vineyard. If anyone would like to host a speaker, or display materials etc. during that week contact Maura at 508/477-7090 X127 or by email at mweir@chcofcapecod.org. Beth Albert suggested getting a Proclamation from the Commissioners also.

Follow-up on Strategic Planning & Discussion of Governance

Strategic planning/capacity building training on 5/29 went well with lots of progress made towards developing a plan for the Coalition as well as Leadership/Governance principles. Organizational structure should support and reflect processes leading to best outcomes. It was noted that ALL work of the Coalition is driven by the Working Groups. A snapshot of this training was distributed to the group and discussed.

Beth noted that a training is being planned consisting of two half days to introduce Frameworks model to Coalition members. Working with Ann Duckless to schedule this. There is a 25 person attendance limit per session. Beth will contact Ann and attempt to schedule during the week of September 6-12th.

The Governance structure of the Coalition was discussed. S/C will consist of 12 members. It was noted that S/C should consist of those people who can engage in an active ongoing commitment to the Coalition and the cause, possess the ability to work in a Team, must attend all membership and S/C meetings, have the ability and desire to work on special projects, willing to chair or co-chair a working group. Terms will be 2 years, first year staggered - 1 & 2 yr. terms. To accommodate geographics of its members, S/C meetings may be held via conference calls. Once members are elected, co-chairs, secretary & treasurer will be elected by the S/C. Plan is: S/C will also consist of Martha's Vineyard & Nantucket rep, upper, lower-outer & mid-Cape reps and 3 consumers. Beth will develop a nomination form and email to Coalition members. Members may nominate self or others. Vote will take place at August Coalition meeting with only those present having voting rights.

Working Group Reports:

Marketing: Beth reported that the Marketing group has met with Ben Caswell of Wendell Marketing. She distributed handout of services provided and noted they would assist in developing message of Coalition, devising a marketing plan and assisting with P.R. Tim noted that the Coalition needs professional services to get this work done and there is a lot to accomplish! In addition, fundraising is needed to support the P.R. efforts. Beth recommended going forward with Wendell Marketing and evaluating progress and budget in 60 days. At that time the Coalition will decide whether to continue or suspend services. Those present voted to hire Wendell Marketing and re-evaluate progress in 60 days.

Events/Training: Beverly working with Ann Duckless on structure of meetings to look at Frameworks model. Date TBD – looking at week of September 6 – 12th.

New Business/Announcements:

- Tim Lineaweaver: Woods Hole Film Festival – July 30th will present a special documentary film by Joey Pantoliano and a panel discussion afterward (Tim is on panel) that would be of great interest to consumers and providers as both will deal with the stigma of mental illness. Joey Pantoliano is well-known for his compelling role on the Sopranos and also for the formation of the foundation, NKm2 (No Kidding, Me Too) which deals with stigma and the importance of speaking out.
- Steve Jochim: providers will meet with Mass Behavioral Health Partnership on July 29th @ 9:30 in Pocasset at _____????? to discuss more accessible care and collaboration in providing services. The Crisis Center will move to Pocasset with a satellite enter in Hyannis. Steve will keep the Coalition updated on this matter.
- Beverly Costa-Ciavola: Beverly announced that she will be leaving Independence House as the outreach coordinator and has accepted the position of Director at the Cape Cod Neighborhood Support Coalition beginning 7/29/09.

Adjourn/Next Meeting:

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is scheduled for August 13th @ 11:15 AM in Rms 11/12 at the Superior Courthouse.