

CAC Minutes

Date: November 14, 2023

Time: 1:00

Meeting Held: Virtual MS-teams and In Person

In Attendance: Mike Braun, OVR Supervisor; Haley Miller, VRC; Renata Gould, OVR Clerical; Jazmin Cartwright (Virtual); Pamela White, Fulton Bank (Virtual); Andrew Pennington, Client Assistance Program (Virtual); Eric Orr, Center for Independent living; Traci Stauffer, West York School District; Jaritza Nguyen Center for Independent Living

STAFF UPDATES

❖ OVR- York: Vacancies and positions filled.

- 1 Clerical Assistant
- 1 Fiscal Administrator- Tracie Robinson has resigned.
- 1 VRC Position- Siobhan Osborn has resigned.
- 2 ERC POSITIONS
- 1 Supervisor
- Haley Miller- VRC
- Renata New CAC Secretary

YORK DO UPDATES

STATS & GOALS

Annual status 26 Goal for the 23/24 year is 530.

As of November 13, 2023, the York DO has closed 196 successful cases, as a result the York DO has reached 36% its status 26 goal.

York DO has a 95% compliance rate for status 02 cases up 2% from last month.

Up 1% from last month, the compliance rate for cases in status 09/10 is at 95%. Annual review cases rose from 89.52% to 90.72% this month.

YORK DO UPDATES

- The York District office is replicating the SDOL program and is currently expanding into Adams, Franklin, and York County school districts. The program is aimed at giving students in grades 11 and 12 opportunities to work in their communities to gain paid work experience. Kayce Stoffa is developing a “my work” initiative at locations such as Walgreens in the pharmacy, Salvation Army, as well as at Mission Furniture warehouse.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- OVR has drafted the 2024-2028 VR Services Portion of the Combined State Plan. A public comment period was held from 11/13/2023-12/08/2023. The draft was made accessible to the public Via OVR’s publication page.
- Public meetings will be held on November 14th, 2023, from 1-3 p.m. and November 16th FROM 10 AM – NOON.
- During the public meeting OVR reviewed information in the VR Services Portion of the Combined State Plan.
- Pennsylvania Statewide Independent Living Council is preparing to write their next State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL)
 - The Statewide Independent Living Council will be facilitating several forums to gain input from PA constituents with disabilities across the state.
 - The York OVR Office is collaborating with the Statewide Independent Living Council to host a Virtual forum that will involve in-person public attendance.
 - The virtual forum will be held on 12/04/2023 with two time slots 10:00am -1:00pm & 5:00pm-7:00pm.
- **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - Eric Orr shared that The SIL has changed locations and is now located at 139 East Market St in York. The previous location

was 127 West Market St, & the new Location hosts an Accessible entrance Via Clark Ave.

- Pamela White shared information regarding Fulton Bank, and their contract with Disability Solutions, for outreach positions involving specific back of the office positions within the company, specifically in East Petersburg & Lancaster as well as some remote or hybrid possibilities.

CAC NEEDS

- Mike discussed the CAC needs, as this was the last meeting of the Year.
- Discussed the need for a new Chair and CO chair; Mike explained the duties and responsibilities of both positions.
- Mike mentioned By laws and the possible need for them to be revised.
- Mike led the discussion on the need for more consumer engagement, & Andrew suggested contacting specific OVR customers and sharing information about CAC to see if they would be interested in participating and offering their perspectives.
- CAC meetings can still be hosted at the York DO, with the hybrid option of both virtual and remote being made available for accessibility.
- Renata Gould- Will act as Secretary and record minutes.
- After a vote it was determined, CAC will continue to meet quarterly with dates in February, May, August, and November being held every second Tuesday of the month from 1:00-3:00pm.

CAC PLANS

- Next CAC meeting will be held, Tuesday, February 13th at 1:00pm with in Person at the York DO with the option to join Virtually.
- CAC team discussed ways to solicit more engagement from the public. Andrew suggested completing our By Laws and Defining the Organization. Jaritza suggested the use of flyers that could be mailed to OVR customers but also used in places OVR customers might frequent like schools, the Career Links, County Assistance Offices, and the Social Security Administration.

- Improving the hybrid model of the meetings-making sure the Audio and the Visual Equipment is in good working order and all people in attendance can hear and see one another.

COMMENTS/FEEDBACK

A discussion regarding public engagement continued. Andrew made it clear that attempts at social engagement or recruitment would need to be independent of OVR, the discussion concluded with the consensus being that the board needs to solidify its bylaws, fill the empty positions of Chair and CO Chair and then the focus on increasing engagement can continue and ultimately be successful.

There was no new business to discuss and no questions regarding last meetings minutes.

The Meeting Adjourned at 1:54

Next Meeting: Tuesday February 13,2024 at 1pm both in-person and virtual