
Executive Committee Meeting-Minutes

9:00- 10:30, May 6, 2019-Innovation Room
Barnstable County Complex-3195 Main Street Barnstable, MA 02630

- 1) Attendance: Erika Woods, Lynn Mulkeen, Betina Michalowski, Melanie Bach
- 2) Approve Minutes- March 4, 2019, Executive Committee Meeting
Motion by Lynn Mulkeen, Second by Melanie Bach-4-0-0
- 3) Summer intern through MDPH
 - Intern is in a Master of Public Health program at BU and will be working with Barnstable County Health on hoarding
 - Initially the proposal is to update resources on website and help us connect with other organizations for resources.
 - Meeting discussion included a suggestion to reach out to housing court RE: hoarding. Need to get more info on tenancy preservation program as well.
 - We will also investigate the possibility of a white paper as we have discussed in the past.
 - Betina brought up a concern for individuals who are struggling to physically and financially remove trash, recycling and other items from their homes/ units. Often there are individuals who are not necessarily struggling with hoarding that have a large amount of material in their homes. There was discussion of whether this is something that the CCHTF should address if there is no hoarding, but addressing this issue will help to remove/ reduce a barrier for those individuals that are struggling with hoarding. We will possibly have the intern investigate options available for this as well.
 - We may also have her research grant opportunities.

4) CCHTF general meeting- Presentation topics

- As discussed in previous meetings, it would be helpful to have idea of what is available for insurance coverage for light chore work, mental health through Senior Care Options as well as other resources from homeowner's insurance.
- Betina will reach out to see if we can bring in a SHINE representative to discuss MassHealth and Erika will reach out to find someone that can discuss homeowners. We will look to get this together for the August general meeting. If SHINE does not work out, Melanie will reach out to reps from Fallon and Tufts.
- We still need a topic/ presenter for the June meeting.

5) Open Forum- **as time allows** (This will be an open discussion only to bring forward thoughts and ideas that may not pertain directly to the listed agenda items. NO actions will be taken except as allowed by law)

- A County wide template form for communicating within municipalities was discussed. Falmouth HTF has a form that they use to inform various town departments if there is a hoarding concern at a property. It has been discussed that we should develop a form that all towns could use to try to bring together a cooperative response to issues/ concerns. We could introduce this form a county wide meeting of town Admin's. We do need to investigate HIPAA/ privacy concerns.

6) Adjourn- 10:40