



SOUTHERN SERVICES
REFORM GROUP

SSRG Workgroup Meeting
Workgroup: Carer Issues
Date: 20 May 2014

Present: Jen Day (Chair), Sandy Johnson-Jones, Kate Kenning, Filomena Occhiodoro, Teresa Moran, Julie Haselgrove, Sharron Irwin, Sally Warnes (Project Officer), Bev Bannister (Minutes)

Apologies: Justin Adams, Meredith McLeod, Gael Porter, Carole Matthews, Carol Ganly, Jenny Sandow

Agenda Items	Discussion	Actions
Welcome and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• welcome and apologies• introductions were made around the table	
Previous minutes & business arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• previous minutes accepted• A New Way of Working flyer is included in the hand-outs• as yet we do not know who the new representative for Mitcham will be in the Carer issues Workgroup• Sally had done some work on the Post Caring Project information and it was presented to the steering committee – it was also emailed out to the group• The information was discussed and some changes noted	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sally to make changes as discussed

<p>Project Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally and Jen asked the group for suggestions re the health and wellbeing section – the section crosses over into other sections – the group discussed and suggested to call it ‘Health’ • can we have a picture of the human body with dots or arrows relating to various parts of the body? • could we have a black silhouette in each ‘topic’ kite - eg a heart in the health kite - \$ sign in employment etc? • create a page on the website titled checklists and put the carer’s checklist from Sandy on this page as a pdf • a discussion was had on what to include in the finance topic - information can be included about NILS loans (No Interest Loans Scheme) for carers as another option to Centrelink support - Centrelink also have financial planners • Sandy scheduled to meet her post caring group and will show them the information so far and obtain their feedback • tidy up PDF's so when printed they look good and can be given out to other people • change the font and cover of Pat Smytherman’s book 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally to make the changes • Bev to look into doing graphics for project • Bev to tidy up checklist and make as a checklist with tick boxes • Sally to tidy up draft copy to give to Sandy • Bev to tidy up PDF’s and booklet
<p>Project Officer Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SASMA conference – Living Well in a Complex Life - 17 September – Morphettville Racecourse - focus on innovative and inspirational ways to promote wellness and enablement – more information will be available soon • Social Inclusion workgroup – the link is available in the latest SSRG e-newsletter - film will also be shown at ARAS Conference – have only promoted within the SSRG so far, more marketing once Sally returns from leave – will have film on USB’s to give out – poster will also be available • I Can(t) workshop with carer group from ECH - 3 hour version - was good - will be presenting to the In Home Services workgroup in August 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally to send link for film to Filomena and Teresa

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LGTBI training - delivered by the Better Practice Project in May – informative and well presented 	
Information Sharing	<p>Sandy – City of Onkaparinga</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onkaparinga respite is full • trialling new groups • carer training happening – manual handling, genealogy course • organisational visits to Carer Respite Centre and Independent Living Centre • city highlights tour and luncheon coming up <p>Kate - ECH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vacancies in Day Program and In Home Respite Program <p>Teresa – Alzheimer’s SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two sessions coming up at Marion - When You Need More Care – 26 June - will run a session in the south and north during the year - guest speaker from ACAT – flyer given out • might be useful for this group to have someone come along and talk about the reforms? - discussion on changes • ran workshop at Carer Support South – was very successful - ten carers attended <p>Sharron - ACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vacancies in respite carers programs • Riverview now taking emergency respite • working carers group has vacancies • changing process of good health and well being days - can attend all or part of day • Tuesday program at McLaren Vale will stay the same for now <p>Julie – City of Holdfast Bay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • went to second carers group activity - working with Sadie on ideas of 	

	<p>how to connect people in a group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • council reviewing HACCC program - restructuring <p>Filomena – Carer SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • forum at Bio Innovation Centre • Carers Excellence Awards nominations are open – nominate an organisation or business that supports family carers – more information and nomination forms available at Carers SA • NILS loans - not just white goods – can be other expenses – tyres, rego, computer etc 	
	<p>June meeting cancelled</p>	

Next meeting date: 15 July 2014

Time: 2 - 4 pm

Venue: Committee Room, City of Mitcham