



SOUTHERN SERVICES
REFORM GROUP

SSRG Workgroup Meeting
Workgroup: Carer Issues Workgroup
Date: Tuesday 18 September 2012

Present: Jen Day (Chair), Carole Matthews, Andrea Stent, Meredith McLeod, Sharron Irwin, , Filomena Occhiodoro, Julie Haselgrove, Carol Sargeant, Sally Warnes (Project Officer), Bev Bannister (Minutes)

Apologies: Brenda Johnson, Chris O'Brien,

Agenda Items	Discussion	Actions
Welcome and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and apologies noted	
Previous minutes / business arising	<p>Minutes approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sally still to speak with Equal Opportunities people re: launch of carers resource• Conference presentation has been cancelled due to lack of attendees at session.• Actions completed	
Working Carers Conference Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SSRG will have a stand at the conference in place of the presentation so that we can still promote the project• Have a hat stand and decorate with a variety of hats• Give out resource packs to interested people• Have a list for people to leave contact details so we can contact them at a later date about the project – maybe do a presentation for their organisation• Do we need to do presentations in other workplaces or just give them the packs and information to do their own presentations?• For those interested in using the resource in their workplace we could give them the powerpoint presentation prepared for the conference so they have some background	

	<p>information for the manager to view first</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carer Support have a 90 minute time slot that we could present the carers resource to 30-40 people on Mon15, Tuesday 16 and Thursday 18 October during Carers Week. Details of contact person, Myra, given to Sally to see if she can arrange • At a date in the future there may be a chance to present to a Women's lobby group with Carers SA • Resource packs could be left with Councils involved in the healthy living programs • All remaining resources to go to carer organisations and they are to follow up with interested parties – promote the project • For the conference keep Sally's details on the introduction sheet in the pack but once the resource goes to carer organisations take Sally's details off • Send the introduction sheet to Andrea so they can change details to suit their organisation • Have people to man the stand during the conference breaks and at beginning and end of each day • Play Joe Cocker, Leave Your Hat On, as part of stand • Sally to make a few changes to introduction sheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bev to send introduction sheet to Andrea and electronic version of labels to go into packs • Sally to make changes to sheet
<p>Discussion on Launch of resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group had previously discussed having the launch at the end of this year • Sally would like to defer the launch until early next year • The group decided on late February for the launch • Interested in having a hat parade as part of launch • Discussion deferred until next meeting 	
<p>Project Officers Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Annual Report was passed around for viewing. Sally has copies if anyone is interested in reading more • Dementia Workgroup - The training sessions - Problem Solving for Challenging Behaviours for care workers are finished. The evaluations were positive, providing sound evidence supporting the value of this project. The group are now exploring training around 'enhancing independence' for people with dementia. Also, younger onset dementia training has been scheduled. Sessions on 5 December at Onkaparinga and 13 February at City of Marion • Social Inclusion Workgroup - The post card concept will be trialled this month with Onkaparinga Transport and Social Program. The group are experimenting with innovative graphic concepts and will monitor their effectiveness. The results of this trial will inform what happens in the subsequent trial which will probably be done at Holdfast Bay. • In Home Services Workgroup - 'Health and Community Informed Choices' – a project aimed at creating a resource/system to promote a smooth transition for consumers from acute care 	

	<p>to community care. The project officer, Louise Fuller, has been recruited and commences in the position 24 September 2012.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Region Innovative Projects Forum - showcasing projects in the southern region. The forum is scheduled for 23 November. Venue to be confirmed. • The Better Practice Project will be presenting 'Be confident, stand up and deliver' in the southern region in November. Date to be confirmed • Appreciative Inquiry for Adaptive Change – Jeremy Scrivens. The collaborative projects are jointly organising workshops by Jeremy Scrivens. One workshop will be held in the 'hills' region and the second will be for the metropolitan areas – at Burnside Ballroom. The Burnside workshop is scheduled for October 25 • Sally has enrolled in the course – Diploma of Population Health. (Subsidised training through Skills for All) This will enhance knowledge and skills in the following - conducting community consultations, writing content for media, developing community education programs, implementing community development strategies and 'act as a resource to other services'. 	
Information Round	<p>Meredith – Carer Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed a four day break at Carrickalinga for carers – Carers Pitstop – theme focused on endings and transitions – went well • New venue at Morphett Vale being fitted out. 241 South Road, Morphett Vale <p>Andrea – Carer Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During Carers month in October, Carer Support will be holding four events • With help of a grant were running a program for young adults, the future of this group is undecided now as the funding has ceased • Lots of growth in the southern area <p>Julie – City of Holdfast Bay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new <p>Filomena – Carer SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is now on the service provider network and can forward the newsletter on to us for distribution • Carers Open Day – 16 October, 10.30 am – 2 pm. Visit the new premises at 66 Greenhill Road, Wayville • Indulgence with Flowers, Music and Song – for carers and carees. 19 October at Unley Civic Centre <p>Carole – Resthaven</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacancies at Ridgeway House, Hersey Cottages and various other respite programs – taking referrals <p>Carol Sargeant – ACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HACC vacancies 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers inner south and west Sharron – ACH • McLaren Vale Club Fair – 6 October - Saturday 	
Gap identification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people with mental health issues looking for social support and not wanting to group them together • Being able to link people with mental health issues into main stream programs with no transport or support 	
Next meeting:	<p>Tuesday 16 October 2012 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Venue : Committee Room, City of Mitcham</p>	