Nisonger Center – UCEDD
Leadership Meeting – 8/6/14

Attending: Dr. Hellings, Dr. Martens, Dr. Wong, Dr. Benson, Dr. Arnold, Dr. Witwer, Dr. Lecavalier, Dr. Aman, Ashley Lefeld, Dr. Rabidoux, Dr. Fish, Dr. Tassé, Karel Smith

Meeting convened at 8:30 a.m. - #230 McCampbell Hall

Agenda

Please be prepared to discuss new information from each program area:

- new personnel – name, job title, responsibilities, brief background (ALL)
- new initiatives/projects (ALL)
- upcoming events (ALL)

Mission-Area UPDATES

- Education/Training (Andrea)
- Service (Karen)
- Research (Marc)
  - Faculty Research Interests: Everyone to contribute; time limit of 2 minutes each

General Information:

- General Updates
- Administrative Updates

Discussion:

- DD Council Survey Response
- Comprehensive Brain & Spine Center
Minutes

New Personnel:

- Kathy Lawton resigned; Andrea/Paula are assisting at Program Director level to provide support to ECE, Anjanette Owens is the new Program Manager as of July 18th. Katie Walton will be assisting in a research role in the ECE. Will be renewing the umbrella IRB for the program, let Andrea/Katie know if you are interested in research in the ECE. Staff would like to be engaged in research. Not sure if it will continue to be a Faculty position – no immediate plan, as it was previously funded through Marc’s start-up funds. There is the beginning of an ECE database… has continued. MOU with statistics (Rebecca Andridge) is still in place. Andrea will reach out for help to consolidate existing data…. all of the teachers are returning from last year.
- Olivia Miller: CBSS, replacing Quinn Montgomery.
- Jen Wong – Waisman post doc, graduate degree at Penn State, worked with Marsha Mailick. Parenting stress, parents of kids with autism, late adulthood. Jen is an Assistant Professor of Education and joining Nisonger Center as an affiliate faculty member.

New Projects/Initiatives: Williams Syndrome

Upcoming Events:

8/9; Sensory Friendly Screenings – send flyer to helping hands and/or others. The Lego Movie. Will repost flyers.

8/19; CAC meeting from 3-4:30. We will be presenting the annual report. LEND program presentation.

8/27; classes begin, also LEND orientation, roughly 15 new LEND trainees. Once a month we will have LEND Faculty breakfasts, one per semester will overlap. First one will be September. Tom has social work graduate students funded through the county board (goal is to become service coordinators); we will include them in this cohort even though they don’t go through the curriculum per se.

9/17; Indian Youth Advocacy Group – hosting professionals from India, will be here for 3 weeks – visiting Nisonger Center for one day.

9/30; Tamara sent a save the date, will follow-up with additional information regarding deadlines.

Mission Area Updates:

Education: 15 LEND trainees, 1 new IDD/Psych Trainee, 1 new Postdoc (starting September or October 1st).
Service: open position in clinic; Samantha Varso left for graduate school. New Director of ODH - Rick Hodges. Dr. Mary Applegate is the Medical Director.

Research: Registry is slowly growing. Several students have used it for recruiting. Faculty Research Interests, let Tamara know of any updates etc.

General Information:

- **AIDD/NIRS**: Annual Report submitted. Marc will send it to Leadership electronically. Served over 16,000 individuals, trained over 2000 students, 32 long-term trainees, $4M in grants, $3M in contracts. We’ve had more media attention/press releases, ADHD, medication trials, dental program, healthcare surveillance, autism treatment... a total reach of 143 Million. Can we brag about our annual reporting numbers? ie. the Columbus Dispatch?? Rita Price.
- **Faculty Salary Savings** ‘bonuses’ will be paid out on August/September paycheck.
- **2014 budget has been finalized**, all Faculty budgets have been reallocated at the previous amount of $4,000/year pro-rated based on FTE.
- **CAST – Center for Autism Services Transition**, Chris Hanks; open house on August 15th. 5-7 pm. The hope is that we become a referral source and/or our Faculty collaborate.
- **Kroger Community Rewards Program**: online.
- **Autism CARES (Collaboration, Accountability, Research....) Act** passed (former combating autism act). Reauthorized for 5 years. All of this goes to NCHB and eventually funds LEND.
- **Administrative Updates**:
  - HR requests/concerns, 31 total pending requests. RRC Committee meets today. Marc will talk with Kate today.
  - Original P3’s due to Karel by Friday.
  - University and OSUWMC HIPAA Steering Committees and Information Security Committee’s have been combined. New policies – Karel will send information via email.
  - Chris has updated employee resources on the website. Let us know if you want anything added/modified? List on copier needs to be updated – people removed. Karel will communicate to Chris.

Discussion:

- **DD Council Survey Response**: 5 year plan for services/activities that need addressed. Accepting comments. Collaborative activities with partnering agencies, should we talk with this group regarding funding collaborations? ie. health activity, dual diagnosis activity... something across agencies. Tamara can send out the survey email to Leadership.... What about telemedicine with community mental health centers and centers in Appalachian counties (primary care). Julie Gentile’s project; exclusively focused on telePsychiatry. Supporting families to prevent crisis... care coordination piece is extremely important. Talk to Carolyn on August 19th at CAC meeting?
- **Comprehensive Brain & Spine Center**: Amanda Lucas and Ali Rezai will be attending our next meeting in September and will provide details/updates etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 am.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Tamara Hager