

**Meeting of the Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee
May 3, 2022**

Present: Belinda Bradley, Deanna Park, Julie Beebe, Deb Rowell, Stephanie Raney, Keane Jones, Kim Heunemann, Adele Potter

Staff: Rob York, Harry Carlson, Crystal Mallory, Carrie Wright

Agenda Item	Outcome	Action
Introductions	Introductions were made around the table.	Meeting called to order at 1:05 pm by H. Carlson
Workforce Updates- Impact on Services	H. Carlson stated there are staff shortages all around. Kim, Prospect school, is offering incentive programs and a free space outside of Target in the mall offering information. Respite services hope to be open early may late July, waiting on final walk through, then will attempt to hire. Competition with major businesses is difficult. D. Rowell said they are having the same issues; offering incentives spread out over a time period, issues dealing with COVID, most residents receiving partial services or choosing not to receive them at all. J. Beebe said she hasn't had any retention problems, also in the process of releasing incentive funds. Day program numbers are down due to people reluctant to return due to COVID.	
2022 – 2023 NYS Enacted Budget	R. York included the enacted budget memo in the packet. He reviewed a few items of interest; 5.4% COLA, \$136 mil in mental health retention bonuses, Nurses across NYS loan forgiveness program, \$2 mill for new services opportunities for people living at home, \$2.6 mil for independent living centers. D. Rowell is waiting on funding for clinical staff.	
Crisis System Updates	Mid-year 2022 there will be a nationwide launch of a 988 emotional support line. The Office of Community Services will convene a Crisis Coordination Committee to bring together behavioral health crisis service providers and crisis system stakeholders for information sharing, planning and coordination.	
2023 Local Services Planning Cycle	C. Wright stated the Local Services Plan is usually due to NYS on June 1st; however, the due date has been pushed back to the Fall of 2022 this year. She has surveys out for input on assessment of needs. More to come. Any tips, questions or concerns please email wrightc@warrencountyny.gov	

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CON Requests/Approvals	Relocation of a WWARC Supportive apt; approval of increased capacity from 1 to 2 in a Vanderhyden supportive apartment; closure of an Article 16 Satellite Clinic submitted by CWI.	
Agency Updates	D. Rowell stated there is a search for a replacement for COO & CEO for CWI. Brooks BBQ fundraiser Friday 13 th drive-thru. Golf tournament in August with Kiwanis Club. K. Jones: Independent Living Center received funding to expand the equipment closet.	
Adjournment	The next meeting of the Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2022, 1p-3p, via zoom.	Adjourned at 1:45pm

Minutes respectively submitted by Crystal Mallory, Secretary