

**Division of Long Term Care  
Treatment Intervention Advisory Committee (TIAC)  
Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities**

**MEETING MINUTES**

April 9, 2012  
12:30PM to 3:00PM  
Department of Health Services  
1 W. Wilson Street, Room 630  
Madison, WI 53707

**Present:** Jennifer Asmus, Roger Bass, Maribeth Gettinger, Lana Collet-Klingenberg, Christine Peterson, Linda Tuchman, Bill Murray (DHS Staff), Jill Kelly (DHS Staff)

**Welcome & Introductions**

TIAC committee members were welcomed by DHS staff and the agenda for the day was reviewed.

It was noted as in the previous meeting which took place February 3, 2012, that Dr. Traci Swink and her staff representing the P.L.A.Y. Project in Marshfield were invited to attend the TIAC meetings and offer comments, however they have failed to respond to these invitations.

DHS has created a draft website for the TIAC which lists the members and their affiliation with the committee. The site will indicate that the TIAC is an advisory committee to DHS.

Lana Collet-Klingenberg made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2/3/12 meeting. Roger Bass seconded the motion. All approved.

**Committee Activities**

When reviewing specific treatments, the committee uses an existing protocol and reviews the research applicable to each therapy.

*A Treatment Review Evidence Checklist* has been developed to use during the review of each individual therapy. Sound decision making is essential; therefore they continuously refer to the *Checklist* during each review.

Committee members reviewed specific therapies brought to the committee for which funding has been or may be requested for children with autism spectrum disorders and/or other developmental disabilities. Committee members reviewed the following treatments:

- Applied Behavior Analysis
- Music Therapy

- The Play Project
- Brain Balance
- Hippotherapy

After a specific treatment has been reviewed the committee will submit a summary/synopsis of the reviewed research completed. The synopsis will provide the committee's determination as to whether or not the committee views the specific treatment as a proven and effective treatment for children with autism spectrum disorders and/or other developmental disabilities. The committee will define the proposed treatment then consider extant research in terms of how specific the research was to the proposed practice, who funded/conducted the research, and the quantity of research available for the specific practice.

### **Proposed Treatments**

Again, members of the committee volunteered to review additional therapies brought to the committee for which funding has been or may be requested for children with autism spectrum disorders and/or other developmental disabilities. The committee members are to explore the existing research relative to the safety and efficacy of these treatments.

Committee members offered to review the following proposed treatments:

- Rapid Prompting Method
- Multisystemic Therapy
- The Early Start Denver Model
- SCERTS

### **Discussion of Next Steps**

1. Committee will develop a list of criteria which will indicate how they made their determination. A position paper will also be drafted to support level of evidence.
2. The committee should continue to share ongoing discussions and files.

Next meeting TBD.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:10PM**