



**New Beginnings Enterprises, Inc.**  
**Community Developmental Disability Organization**

**Community Council / Affiliate Meeting**  
**February 15, 2018 ~ 11:00 A.M.**  
**New Beginnings CDDO ~ Neodesha**  
**Minutes**

Participants: In person: Jerry Scott, Carol Paget, Virgil O'Leary, Krista Moreno (Out 'N About), Jake Price; Via phone: JoLee Dwight (NBE), Adam Usry

Community participants: Via phone: Patti Blake (CRSS); In person: Linda Young (KDADS)

Affiliate participants: In person: Rachel Crigger (NBE), Jamie Wallace (NBE), Teresa LaForte (For Jake's Sake), Tara Cunningham (NBE CDDO); Via phone: Elaine Legitt (SKIL), Diane Salyers (SEKRS)

1. Determined council quorum. Quorum was met and we had 100% of members in attendance.
2. Minutes for November 2017 meeting were reviewed. No corrections were noted. Jerry made the motion to approve the minutes, Carol seconded the motion and the motion passed.
3. **Quality Assurance Overview**
  - a. **Quality Assurance Report & Disputes/Corrective Action Plans –**  
Completed one Residential review this past quarter with no deficiencies found. Two agencies remain on a Corrective Action Plan. Quarterly Quality Assurance Report was provided and reviewed.
  - b. **Provider Status / Changes –**  
We continue to experience serious capacity issues in our CDDO area. We still have no residential service availability in Elk, Wilson or Greenwood counties, however Out 'N About stated they are interested in expanding to Elk and Wilson counties. \*Krista with Out 'N About reported that they have been busy shopping, traveling to Winfield and Ark City and lots of indoor activities and games due to the cold, icy weather. \*Jo Lee with New Beginnings reported that they have survived the stomach bug and flu that inflicted nearly every person in Moline. They have been busy attending benefit dinners at senior centers, community centers, went to Bucks BBQ, the Isle of Lights in Winfield, movies and assisted with commodities in Moline. They have also begun their work with Winkleman's. \*Teresa and Jake with For Jake's Sake reported that they have also been busy volunteering and cooking dinners for Thanksgiving and Christmas, Jake was the official Santa at the Eagles in Neodesha, volunteered at the American Legion in Junction City, toured the Manhattan Discovery Museum and army base in Junction City, he's resumed classes at ICC and toured various places in Branson. Jake

has also participated in a ceramics class and has volunteered at the local Head Start classroom.

4. **CDDO Finance Report** – The Finance quarterly report was reviewed.
5. **CDDO Protocol Review** – The following CDDO Protocols were reviewed: Critical Incident/AIR Reporting, Provider Changes and Funding Committee. These protocols were previously a part of other policies, but were removed and placed into internal protocols as they aren't required to be in policy.
6. **Discuss Old Business** –
  - a. **KanCare Update and Transition** – Amerigroup recently announced they are no longer available for meetings after 5pm and persons served/guardians/families would need to adjust their own work schedules to accommodate Amerigroup's schedule. It's unclear if this is an Amerigroup wide decision or only pertains to the New Beginnings CDDO area.
7. **Discuss New Business** –
  - a. **Legislative Update - SB 332:** Modernizes Developmental Disability Reform Act (DDRA) and carves out IDD services from KanCare. Based on other testimony provided at the hearing, there is a strong desire by other stakeholder groups to carve out all Medicaid waivers from KanCare. That said, there still remains some concern amongst legislators that SB 332 is not the vehicle to achieve a carve-out. Due to the K-12 Funding issues, any major changes to our system is unlikely, but we still have several months ahead of us in this legislative session.
  - b. **Any Additional Items for Discussion** – None.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara Cunningham  
CDDO Director