

OHBI Workforce Development Workgroup

February 4, 2022

Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Angie Yates, Belinda Rogers, Germaine Odenhiemer, Keith Kleszynski, Kerstin Reinschmidt, Dr. Lee Jennings, Lindsey Diel, Morgan Fitzgerald, Sarah Coats

Welcome and Introductions:

Keith welcomed everyone. Each attendee introduced themselves. Keith recapped the meeting from December and shared the list of steps for Dementia Friendly CHW certification.

Group Discussion:

We discussed W-5 is necessary to have in the state plan. SMART goals for a Dementia Friendly Certification for CHWs. What steps do we need to do to get this started?

- Dr. Reinschmidt has a CHW paper that she is sending Dr. Jennings for review. There is a scoping review of the role of CHW work in addressing dementia (can be found [here](#)).
- Steps for CHW Dementia Friendly CHW Certification can be found [here](#).
 - Dr. Reinschmidt has already developed curriculum, pilot tested, etc. For CHW.
- Once we have a directory of CHW/CHRs maybe we can do a joint meeting with OkDCN/GWEP for educational/networking
- Other CHW/CHR entities: Rural Health Project, Mercy Health, Community Health Centers (possible grant possibility), FQHC (Variety Care, Morton Health, Community Health Connection, Caring Hands, Stigler Health and Wellness- 21 total in OK)

Belinda shared an RFP that Telligen has that could be used for CHW/CHR Workforce Development. RFP can be found [here](#). Dr. Reinschmidt is going to look it over and decide if it might be helpful to do CHW/CHR trainings.

- Teligen grant might support a statewide CHW convening and CHW age-friendly/dementia friendly focused Project ECHO that could be offered in OK and to other states served by Telien
- Goal to increase reach of training and build stronger network of OK CHWs

OkDCN has 4 modules for Career techs and 4 more coming.

Action Items for Next Meeting:

Morgan is going to reach out to contacts to see if we can come up with the number of CHWs/CHRs in Oklahoma. She is also going to reach out and find out how to get curriculum approved and certification process.

Close:

Next Meeting Date: Keith will send out a Doodle poll to decide the next meeting date.

Next Coalition Meeting Date: April 19, 2022 from 1-3pm.

Meeting Adjourned