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Department of Public Health & Environment

Project: Nursing Home Innovations Grant Board

Meeting Date: June 19, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Place: Remote meeting

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**Note: The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the timelines and implementation of grant projects.
This includes issuing POs and responses from CMS.**

Topics:	Presenter(s):
Call to Order 10:02 Richard Clark, Hope Carwile, David Adams, Cindy Webb	Stacey Love
Welcome & Agenda Review ● Request for additional agenda items	Stacey Love
Cycle 9 ● **Aponi Partners, Inc.** 　o Received May monthly report. 　o No invoice. 　o Richard will contact. 　o Web development group putting together website. Link will be sent to facilities and stakeholders. Who should be included? 　o Access to all Chautauqua materials. 　o Since cannot go out into all of the communities 　o Will start a Blog – Starting out with Wellness because there will be a lot of interest. 　o Won't have ability to see who, but will see number of hits. 　o Will engage persons on blog. 　o Include 4 homes that wanted to participate but were not able to participate	Cindy Webb

- Need to make as much of the information as publicly as possible.
- All material is property of the state when finished.
- We will need to post it on our sites.
- Needs to include with other stakeholders and the State. The link will be posted publicly
- Cannot do in person visits – Do they want the rest paid out for that.
- Outreach to participants is necessary. Phone call and email - Support, generating excitement.
- Need to redact all participants and personal information.
- Around 50,000k left on their contract. Can they write a price out? This needs to be done in the next 11 days (June 30th is the cutoff date). Due to state law the grant cannot be extended due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Fair market price out. Needs to be approved before 6/30.
- Approved, but need plan put in writing.
- Suggest submitting grant for next cycle to develop website.
- Evaluation – reporting – bill for that, but not the entire $50,000.
- Reasonable to say – this is grant – this is end date- COVID happened
- Final report should include lessons learned, feedback, explanation of pandemic issues finishing project, suggestions for those who would do it in the future, curriculum,
- Website development now – cannot pay for it after the fact.
    - Past projects – not that they own the website.
- Called Penny and invited her to join. Cindy left message and sent link.
    - Can be done by June 30.Working on it now.
    - Not the materials issue – ready to share.
    - How do they get it so it is posted on our site? CDPHE and HCPF can post the link.
    - General concerns that the development of the website is outside what was approved.
    - RC discussed Board interest in extension/additional grant. Submit new grant application.
    - Write up report for the initial grant. Materials.
    - Website is $2000 for creation. Has ability to expand.
    - Deliverables – pre and post assessment – Post assessment did not happen.
    - Bill final report costs or intent to bill for remaining balance. They planned on bill for the remaining balance. Qualitative and quantitative – will pull those out. Blog component was the way to do this.
    - Experiences in leadership that comes out of it.
    - Min – pay for time to do the final report. May be able to pay the $2000 for the website.

- What would be in the follow-up that would not be billable? Pre and post assessment. Consulting hours might look different.
- Remaining balance – this is what it is, this is what can be done, this is what we cannot be done.
- Electronic submission can be flushed out in a future grant.
- Virtual component in a follow-up grant.
- They will look at contract and identify what can be paid. Will send Cindy and email with all of the information.

Cycle 10

- **013 - Brookside Inn - Weighted Blankets for Deep Touch Pressure**
  - Payment of outstanding invoice.
  - Did not hear back. Go ahead and close out.
  - Stopped project because they had issues with the invoice. Nothing has been paid.

Jo Tansey

Cycle 11

- **002 - Colorado Health Care Association (CHCA) - Specialized Infection Prevention Training in Nursing Homes (Richard Clark - PO-UHAA-201900007153 - $72,100.00)**
  - Have 2 trainings completed.
  - 1-year extension already issued.

- **005 - Vivage Senior Living - Reading2Connect (Stacey Love - P20-148581 - $29,700.00)**
  - Discuss plan submitted by Hope Carwile to update the roll out for this project.
  - Expires Dec 2021.
  - Recruiting homes now.
  - Most will be online Zoom meetings.
  - Majority of the cost was supplies.

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- **010 - Southeast Colorado Hospital District and Long Term Care Center - Movement and Mobility Benefits the Human Body (Jenny Matlock - P20-148368 - $14,251.00)**
  - Turning in invoices and getting them paid
  - Need to send their final report.

- **013 – Mesa Vista of Boulder - It's Never Too Late (iN2L) (Stacey Love - P20-148582 - $52,937.00)**
  - Purchased all equipment. Equipment will be stored until able to launch because of a lack of staff.
  - Need invoice for amount from Mesa to pay iN2L.

- **016 – Someren Glen - Certified Eden Associate Training (Stacey Love - P20-148366 – $44,625.00)**

Cycle 12 Grant Reviews
- **001 - The Eden Alternative - Eden Conference ($210,128.36)**
    - Originally scheduled conference cancelled due to COVID-19.
    - Discuss New Recommendation - 2020 Eden Alternative International Conference
        - Proposal sent for Board review via email
    - Question regarding cost - $600 per person to view videos online. Total project costs are high. Should be able to do this for a lot less money because of format. Why would the cost be the same to do this rather than an in person conference?

- **005 - Edu-Catering, LLP - Validation® Training in Four Colorado Nursing Homes and Beyond ($53,730.48)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.
    - Richard discussed with them.

- **006 - Devonshire Acres - Devonshire Acres' Greenhouse Project ($8,250.00)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **007 - Crisis Prevention Institute (CPIRFP) - Crisis Prevention Institute, Inc. Colorado Skilled Nursing Facility Initiative ($2,564,000.00)**
    - To be paid with Cycle 10/11 funds.
    - Waiting for response from CMS - hold due to COVID-19.

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- **008 - Volunteers of America National Services (VOANS) - VR Goggles ($28,500.00)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **009 - Grand River Health, E. Dene Moore Care Center - Equine assisted therapy and non-verbal communication ($18,100.00)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **010 - Colorow Care Center - The Culture Change Revolution – Equipping The Western Slope ($84,406.97)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **011 - Holly Heights - Daffodils for Dementia ($36,644.73)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.
    - Need changes to timeline. Do not see any way to implement this year.

- **012 - Cherrelyn Healthcare Center - Telling Life's Stories ($11,865.00)**
    - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **016 - Wish of a Lifetime - Social Work Connection Curriculum ($)**
  - Waiting for response from CMS - hold due to COVID-19.

- **017 - LifeShare Technologies (Spectrio) – Improving Quality of Life Through Engaged Communities ($26,784.00)**
  - Waiting for response from CMS - hold due to COVID-19.

- **018 - Focus Consultation, LLC -The Live Oak Project ($218,992.00)**
  - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

- **019 – iAging - End of Life Dialogues and Program Development for Skilled Nursing Homes ($98,089.40)**
  - Waiting on response from CMS - hold due to COVID-19.

- **020 - Colorow Care Center – Dream Catcher Therapy Center ($32,175.00)**
  - Waiting for PO – All POs are on hold due to COVID-19.

Status letters to Cycle 11 and Cycle12 applicants • Draft letter from Stacey	Stacey Love

Information regarding CMP Assistive Technology application
• Application for emergency CMP funds for communication devices in nursing homes.
  ○ *Recognizing that COVID-19 visitor restrictions may be difficult for residents and families, CMS has developed an application template for requests for the use of Civil Money Penalty (CMP) Reinvestment funds to provide residents with adaptive communicative technologies.*
    ▪ Note: CMS approval of proposals to use CMP funds for other purposes may be temporarily suspended during this public health emergency.
• Approved – 40 applications that cover 70+ facilities
• Waiting for revisions for 51 applications.
• Portal message will be sent out next week.
• CMS wants 100% of Co NHs funded for this grant.
	Jo Tansey

The Eden Alternative – 11:30
• Jill, Kathy, Meredith
• Discuss proposal
  ○ New and converted training in lieu of conference.
  ○ More training finishing up this week.
  ○ Will include 3 full courses and 4 mini courses. (dementia, leadership and group model)
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- Foundational training is necessary to get them ready for the wellbeing course.
- Evaluation – could do a prelim video with intro and explanation how programs work.
- Provide tools/framework for leadership on how to drive sustainable change and growth.
- SKB - Why so expensive?
  - Pricing for courses $199 – one of the courses cost is $249 – Priced out to around $700-$900.
- RC - Operational
  - People would access this in different paces.
  - How will they be billing? 3 months registration? 6 months registration?
  - How long will they have access to the courses?
    - Will always have access to the courses.
    - Will receive workbooks.
    - People can access learning – notetaking may not get everything written down. This way they can go back to find information they need.
    - More people will get to learn from. Not able to attend every session at a conference.
  - New LMS? Licensed? Per resident cost?
    - Private Facebook pages for each course.
    - Courses are sold individually. Not licensed from someone else. It is their own platform.
    - Need something on how you price courses for others – individual courses and packages
  - Functionality for individuals to talk to each other (networking like they would at a conference).
- JRM - portability
  - How will they make the content/reports available to the public?
  - Will this be available to nursing homes that did not participate?
  - Post participation feedback. Need to be able to report that information.
    - Independent evaluator will create a separate training just for this project.
    - Will be answering questions that they have along the way and will be able to do comparative analysis as well as after each course.
    - Will be creating a final results report at the end of the timeline. Could create a video with results from the project that anyone can view.
  - Efficacy and impact – how to implement and impact on care for residents ongoing.
    - Questions that will be asked after each course.
      - What stood out to them the most?

- What are they inspired to try in their facility?
- One chapter a week at a time – what have they implemented and what works?
  - Will these courses speak to the pandemic? The Eden model addresses social isolation. What does the practice look like in an isolation situation?
    - Could look at another element – how does this play out in a pandemic?
  - The Board has fear of isolation for people in the communities. How do you use this in isolation? Can they make a toolkit? May not be able to conceptualize how that would work.
  - What could you implement currently in the facility?
  - What does connectedness look like right now? Masks – cannot view expressions, cannot eat in congregation, trouble hearing. Cannot touch people (no hugs). In fight or flight mode – don't feel like they have to wait till this is over to implement.
  - More important now than ever – this may be the new normal.
  - Thought about – how they offer Eden certified associated training set weekly time. Decided to move forward with learning at their own pace approach. Online learning at set times (classroom).
  - Master technician to come in. Should come prepared having recent experience in NHs.
  - NHs will be more restrictive.
- Board discussion
  - Different world now – need care more than ever.
  - 3 main courses, 4 mini courses, check-in, 3 live sessions.
  - Should they change from dementia focus? May lose them because of the change to a focused project.
    - There are more and more facilities having to deal with dementia
  - Different preference for the core courses?
  - Liked the answers to the questions – need to make sure it can be conceptualized and used in the moment.
  - Replicability – increasing knowledge for all Co NHs – take knowledge wherever they go.
  - Accessibility – Tied to a log in. Not just engaging with providers we are engaging with workforce. Staff can take courses at any time.
  - How will they know that they have done the training? Can the facility see who is taking the courses?
  - In the midst of a pandemic management has different priorities and responsibilities (phone calls, meetings). May not be able to be involved for day to day leadership like they normally would.
  - Need to have time to do the training.
  - Accountability - Can they pull QAPI reports?

- o Emotional break and focus from COVID.
- o How will they adapt to day to day life in a NF with all of these changes?
- o Can the courses be tailored?
- o Recruitment Aug 1 to Oct 1. Conference registration – no PO (400 people to $600 as long as they are registered during that timeframe.
- o In comparison to other online courses it is a good deal.
- o Video in a beginning – about unprecedented times – COVID-19 lingering – get back to normality – can they add this to the intro video.
- o Live groups as well as intro video.

- **Board requests**
  - o Add intro video
    - ▪ COVID-19 related focus at the beginning of the video - Need to make sure it can be conceptualized and used in the moment (unprecedented times – COVID-19 lingering effects – get back to normality – how it is relevant now and can be used immediately)
    - ▪ Explanation how programs work, etc.
  - o Price out
    - ▪ How courses are priced for others – individual courses and packages.
  - o Include functionality for individuals to talk to each other.
    - ▪ Group discussions.
    - ▪ Networking like they would at a conference.
  - o Post participation feedback.
    - ▪ Need to be able to report that information.
    - ▪ Independent evaluator will create a separate training just for this project. (will need to ask them more about this)
    - ▪ Will be answering questions that they have along the way.
    - ▪ Will be able to do comparative analysis as well after each course.
  - o Final report
    - ▪ Efficacy and impact.
      - ● How to implement.
      - ● How it is impacting care for residents ongoing.

- ▪ Will be creating a final results report at the end of timeline.
  - ● Could create video with results from project that anyone can view.
    - ○ What stood out to them the most?
    - ○ What are they inspired to try in their facility?
    - ○ One chapter a week – what have they implemented and what works?
- ○ Add 3 live sessions. (3 main courses, 4 mini courses, check-ins, and 3 live sessions).
- ○ Toolkits
  - ▪ #1 - Provide tools/framework for leadership on how to drive sustainable change and growth.
  - ▪ #2 - Can they make a toolkit for staff?
    - ● Need to make sure it can be conceptualized and used in the moment.
    - ● Staff may not be able to conceptualize how this would work in the current pandemic.
    - ● How do you use this during mandatory isolation situations like the current one?
- ○ Applicability - Current state
  - ▪ Look at adding additional element(s) to the trainings (not the same as the toolkit).
  - ▪ How does this play out in a pandemic?
    - ● What does connectedness look like right now?
    - ● How will they adapt to day to day life in a NF with all of these changes?
- ○ Accountability
  - ▪ How will the facility know that they have done the training?
    - ● Can the facility see who is taking the courses?
    - ● Can it be pulled on QUAPI reports?
- ○ Recruitment Aug 1 to Oct 1.
  - ▪ Conference registration – no PO (400 people to $600 as long as they are registered during that timeframe).

Next grant cycle
- ● HCPF is trying to get a fully funded admin position for this grant.
- ● Will discuss the new grant cycle next month.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:00

Next meeting: July 24, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Nursing Home Innovations Grant Board Meetings Schedule

2020

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February	Friday, 2/28/20	10 am – 1 pm	Room C1E
March	Friday, 3/27/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
April	Friday, 4/24/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
May	Friday, 5/22/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
June	Friday, 6/19/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote Meeting
July	Friday, 7/24/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote Meeting
August	Friday, 8/28/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
September	Friday, 9/25/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
October	Friday, 10/23/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
November	Friday, 11/20/20	10 am – 1 pm	Remote meeting
*December	No Dec Meeting		