



Carbon Lehigh Transition Coordinating Council

February, 7 2019 Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Jason Auriemma- Parkland SD, Dana Buhosky-Bayada, Valerie Gulycz- Parkland SD, Sam Jones- Whitehall CoPlay SD, Brittni Kholi- OVR, Amy Kahora- Whitehall Coplay SD, Amy Kileen- OVR, Nancy Kling-PIC, Karen Korpics- CHC, Kristen Lenhart-LCCC, Corinna Labish-Lehigh County Mental Health, Martha Larkin- NW Lehigh SD, Kerri Miller- Lehigh SD, Nicole Nightlinger- NLSL, Evertt Deibler-LCCC, Chris LukasevichAndrea Quintana- Southern Lehigh SD, Pete Rile- CLIU, Alyssa Romig-VIA, Jennifer Schwartz-Allentown SD, Elizabeth Frantz-CLIU intern, Mara Wolf-OVR, Jen Schueck- Good Shephard, Carrie Kenny-Lehigh SD, Kendyle Mills- CLIU

Agency Updates

CLIU 21-

Project SEARCH and **VIP** are accepting applications.

*Please contact Melissa Johnson at johnsonmelissa@cliu.org or Dawn.Daignault@hrcinc.org for the Kalahari location

OVR -

Summer academy – flyer

Update: PETS services are remaining the same but are under review as of July 1, 2019.

Easter Seals

Committed to helping students to successfully transition from high school to work. We offer flexible scheduling for our comprehensive training modules on Independent Living and Workplace Readiness. We work with each school to customize the delivery of these training programs in a way that best meets the needs of the school and its students.

Growing Green in Pike County (overnight camp) and Camp Lily Lehigh (day camp).

Camp Growing Green: <http://www.easterseals.com/eseep/our-programs/camping-recreation/growing-green.html>

Camp Lily Berks: <http://www.easterseals.com/eseep/our-programs/camping-recreation/camp-lily-summer-day-camps.html>

***For more information visit: [easterseals.com](http://www.easterseals.com)**

LVCIL- Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living
 Transition Resource Fair/Cookie Bake Off

Paid Summer Job

LVCIL PRESENTS:

TRANSITION
COOKIE BAKE-OFF

INFORMATION PRESENTATIONS • RESOURCE FAIR

PRESENTED BY:

SATURDAY, MARCH 30th • 10 AM-2PM
 LVCIL, 713 N. 13TH ST., ALLENTOWN
 WWW.LVCIL.ORG/COOKIEBAKEOFF

Real World Lehigh Valley

A program of:
LVCIL
 Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living

Summer program for young adults with disabilities.

July 8 – August 14
 Mon-Wed from 9 am-3 pm • Ages 16-21

Hosted in partnership with:
Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY
 OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Real World Lehigh Valley will be held at Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom in 2019!

Opportunities will include:

- Paid work experiences in a variety of areas (customer service, maintenance, food service, etc.)
- Job shadow with Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom staff
- One-on-one time to focus on individual skills
- Employment-based curriculum
- Independent living skills and self-advocacy

Space is limited! Call **610-770-9781 x 130**

Transportation to/from the program is not provided. Lunch is not provided.

LVCIL
 Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living

713 North 13th Street, Allentown, PA 18102
 (P) 610-770-9781 • (F) 610-770-9801 • www.lvcl.org

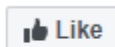
- Real World Lehigh Valley is a 6 week paid program M-W offered through Dorney Park
- Soft skills program 8 week program W-F for anyone ages 16-27

Lehigh County Office of Intellectual Disabilities

- Lehigh County Mental Health Program is now accepting people on the autism spectrum to go on a waiting list for waiver services.
- Help build capacity in the child's own community by using Life Course Tools
 - *For more information on waivers
 - Please check out Lehigh Valley Employment Coalition on Facebook- Works with employers to advance employment in the Lehigh Valley area.



The Lehigh Valley Employment Coalition



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Agencies and Educators who are committed to enriching the lives of all individuals with intellectual disabilities through employment...

- For more information on waivers or LVEC please contact Meranda Hess at merandahess@lehighcounty.org

Carbon-Monroe-Pike Mental Health and Developmental Services (CMP-MHDS)



Presents...

Creating A Vision for A Good Life

The LifeCourse Framework and Tools were created by families to help individuals and families of all abilities and ages to:

- Develop a vision for a Good Life;
- Think about what they need to know and do;
- Identify how to find or develop supports;
- And discover how to have an "Everyday Life" in their community.

Join us to learn about PA's Community of Practice for Supporting Families and how to use the LifeCourse Tools in your life.

Monday, February 25* 2019 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm (Snow date February 26th)

CMP MH/DS

428 South 7th Street Suite #2
Lehighton, PA 18235

Please RSVP by email to ktrautman@cmpmhds.org or
by calling 570-420-1900 Extension 3462.

* Please submit all requests for needed accommodations and/or alternate formats at the time of registration at least 3 weeks prior to the scheduled session.



*For more information please contact James Furiosi at JFuriosi@cmpmhds.org

Lehigh County Mental Health

Provided services directly include:

- Adult Mental Health
- Children's Mental Health
- Child and Adolescent Service System Program (CASSP)
- Crisis Intervention
- 24 hour Emergency Mental Health Services. Call (610) 782-3127.

*For more information contact Corinna Labish at corinnalabish@lehighcounty.org

The Private Industry Council of Lehigh Valley Inc. (PICSEP)-

Services can include the following phases:

Intake, Assessment, Soft and Hard Employment Skills Development, Interview Practice, Interview Assistance, Assistive Aides or Technology Development, On-boarding Assistance, Orientation Assistance, Job Task Analysis, Intensive Job Training, Development of Natural Supports, Job Retention Services, as well as Long-Term Follow-Along.

*For more information contact Nancy Kling at nkling@picsep.org

Centennial School of Lehigh University

Centennial's mission is two-fold. First, we serve students with severe emotional disturbance and autism, using a school-wide positive behavior support model to teach the social and self-management skills they need in order to participate in and benefit from their educational program. Our goal is always to help the students reintegrate back to their home school. Second, we are Lehigh University's lab school where we train teachers in the field of special education.

The link below from our website contains employment information about working at Centennial:

<https://centennial.lehigh.edu/welcome-centennial-school/employment>

A link for Lehigh's College of Education:

<https://ed.lehigh.edu/>

*For more information contact Katie Herczeg at kmh404@lehigh.edu

VIA

Student Work Experience Program –

Students are matched with one of the area's top employers for a nine-week **PAID** internship at \$10.35 per hour.

- PETS through OVR- Last year of the grant
- In class soft skills presentations
- travel training

Maxim HealthCare Services

Provides Pediatric and Geriatric tailored nursing services. Free in-home consultation
Services include:

- implementing clinical care plans
- coordinating home medical equipment, pharmacy, and supplies
- administering medication and or therapies
- assisting with mobility and transfers
- tracheostomy care
- Enteral feeding/tube feeding
- Ventilator care
- Complex intravenous therapy
- Personal care
- preparing meals/feeding
- Educational, training and supporting family

*Please contact Allentown2@maxhealth.com or 610-740-3800

AVAIL-

Provided through Keystone Autism Services. Our program serves young adults ages 12-35 residing in the Lehigh County as they transition to find competitive employment and/or post-secondary education.

AVAIL was made possible through a grant given to Keystone Autism Services by the Department of Human Services. The AVAIL program supports young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. Each individual is assigned an Employment and Integrated Supports Specialist who will offer:

- Career planning services to identify a career direction, develop a plan for further education and/or achieve competitive employment.
- Job finding assistance to prepare for employment, find a job and offer support to maintain competitive employment.
- In-home and community supports, in collaboration with the young adult's family, to provide assistance to acquire, improve or retain skills for living and working more independently in the home and community.
- *LifeCourse Framework* model, utilized with individuals and their families to develop a plan for a full life.

Our Employment and Integrated Support Specialists (EISS) provide support up to 6 hours a week. In addition to our services, each family is expected to provide a weekly commitment to engage with the individual in working together on daily living goals. AVAIL's overarching goal is to help young adults find and maintain competitive employment by using their strengths and abilities

Contact: Lauren Basile: lbasile@keystonehumanservices.org

Clubhouse of Lehigh Valley

Supports individuals living with the effects of mental illness ages 18-21 living in Lehigh County. Through participation in a Clubhouse, people are given the opportunities to rejoin the worlds of friendships, family, important work, employment, education, and to access the services and supports they may individually need. A Clubhouse is a restorative environment for people who have had their lives drastically disrupted, and need the support of others who believe that recovery from mental illness is possible for all.

*For more information contact Chris Stout at cstout@yourgoodwill.org

Bayada

A trusted leader in home care by providing clinical care and support services at home for children and adults of all ages. Services include:

- Pediatrics
- Home Health Care
- Hospice
- Habilitation
- Physician Services

*For more information please contact Donna Buhosky at dbuhosky@bayada.com

ARCIL- Anthracite Region Center for Independent Living

Serves people in the Hazelton area

-Provider of PETS

- Monthly support groups for any disability and any age.

-Can help with Disability awareness, advocacy, peer support, skills training, and cooperative ventures

For more information please contact Denise Corcoran dcorcoran@antheccitecil.org

GR Translating Services-

-Provides English- Spanish translation

For more information contact Geysa Rodriguez at Grtranserv@ptd.net

Lehigh Carbon Community College/ SEED Program

Program set up to help transition students from High School to College with Academic accommodations. Works with adults or first time school students with special education needs.

-SEED program degree has 2 paths: Career track with on sight coaching or the Vocational Track. **GRANTS NOW AVAILABLE**

-Coaching meet in the spring look at IEP, most recent RR with diagnosis, and determine academic accommodations

-Summary of Academic Achievement is not used.



2019-2020 Application and information now available online.

Please visit www.LCCC.edu/seed for more information.

Application due date:
Friday, March 22, 2019



Lehigh Carbon
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

START HERE | GO ANYWHERE

Main Line Rehabilitation Associates Inc.

- Provides home and community based services for individuals with neurological disorders and learning disabilities through the waivers to promote the highest level of independence
- Provides Cognitive Rehab therapy, clinical coordination, supported employment, support groups, educational workshops and neurocognitive assessments.
- Each tailored treatment plan focuses on skills such as planning, organization, budgeting, time management, medication management, transportation and job readiness.

* For more information contact 610-280-0180 ext. 109 NS 128 or mcola@mainline-rehab.com

Community and Residential Empowerment Services (C.A.R.E.S)

A unique community based program where volunteerism and recreational activities focus on maximizing life, pre-vocational and social skills for VIP's ages 21 and older in Allegheny, Beaver, Berks, Blair, Bucks, Butler, Carbon, Centre, Huntington, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Monroe, Northampton, Pike and Schuylkill counties. **Students 18 and older may qualify for services during summer and winter breaks.**

Community Day Program Includes:

- Transportation- Door to Door service
- Programming (Volunteering, pre-vocational, health and wellness, recreational and educational)
- In home supports
- Respite
- Lifesharing
- Chaperoned Vacations

*Visit- www.Cares4u.org or call 570-225-7360

Last Meeting- April- 18th at CLIU Administration Building Rooms D/E 9-11AM

Presentation- Marie Craven will present the Life Course Tools Overview

Save
the
Date

CLTCC Meeting Dates and Minutes

The Carbon Lehigh Transition Coordinating Council meets four times per year to discuss and collaborate on issues pertaining to transition for students with disabilities ages 14 to 21



2019-2020

Carbon Lehigh Transition Coordinating Council

Dates, Times (9:00 – 11:00 am) and Locations

Thursday, October 3, 2019: (IU Administration Bldg. Room D/E)

Thursday, December 5, 2019: (Transportation Office, Walnutport)

Thursday, February 13, 2020: (IU Administration Bldg. Room D/E)

Snow date: Thursday, February 27, 2020: (IU Administration Bldg. Room D/E)

Thursday, April 16, 2020: (Transportation Office, Walnutport)

Upon confirmation of presenters, topics will be announced with descriptors and then published.

Future Presentations:

February 7th Presentation by Meranda and James - We will be discussing the Consolidated, Community Living and Person/Family Directed Supports waivers. We will discuss caps with each one and services typically provided under each as well as eligibility requirements.

Meranda Hess- MSW, LSW, Program Specialist from Lehigh County Intellectual Disabilities Program. My specific job duties include initial eligibility determination, Dual Diagnosis Treatment Team Liaison, ID Representative to the Youth Cross System Team, Community of Practice Lead, and support plan authorization for individuals whose last names start with P-Z. Because of my roles in eligibility determination and Community of Practice, I tend to also do a lot of outreach and am involved in several collaborative efforts, such as CLTCC

James Furisoi- I have worked for Carbon-Monroe-Pike Developmental Services since 2010 as a Quality Manager. Previously, I was a supervisor in the Mental Health Department and an Intensive Case Manager for Transitional Youth. I am currently the Employment Point Person and also chair the Consumer Quality Assurance Council and Human Rights Committee. I am a Certified Investigator and oversee Incident Management. I graduated from SUNY Cortland with a master's degree in History. I enjoy running, coaching my daughter for Girls on the Run, plant-based cooking and am remodeling my home

Helping Children Learn

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