

NOW

- Identified locations for resource libraries
- Small-strong membership
- Maria going to legislative delegation meeting
- 1 functioning satellite group
- Some committees active (need refueling)
- Have a website and phone #
 - Outdated brochure
 - Calendar of events
 - Family Support Plan
- Members are on external committees
- Family support network team
- 1 media story mentioned FCC and potential
- Have e-mail list
- Time limits
- 5 county service area

HOPEFUL FOCUSED

DECEMBER 2006

ENROLL

- Membership committee
- Attorneys - Special Ed. Law
- S.T.A.N.D.
- Website Professional
- Community Partners: e.g.,
 - 211
 - Schools
 - FDDC
 - Pediatricians
 - APD
 - FND
 - CARD
- Child Care Providers
 - Early Learning Coalition
- Printers
- More families and individuals with developmental disabilities

STRENGTHS

- Powerful voices
- Contacts
- Current involvement
- Knowledge base
- Passion to make it work!
- Caring-interested
- Resources
- Strength in the reason we are here
- Support from FCCF, APD and community partners
- Personal and professional experiences
- Shared models

FIRST STEPS



- Establish membership committee to develop action plan - **Maria**
- Identify new meeting space - **Sharon Barry** and place for respite - **Maria, Lynn**
- Contact and retain services of media professional to assist FCC - **Sheryl**
- Identify and establish public relations committee - **Sharon Boyd, Kerry, Donna, Sue (Hendry/Glades)**
- Attend legislative delegation meeting - **Maria**
- Develop list of legislators - **Sharon, Elizabeth**
- Establish policy committee
- Send "Participation/Interest Survey" to members - **Marie**

Committees:

- Membership Committee:
Elaine, Maria, Maureen
- Policy Committee:
Lynn, Sharon Boyd, Donna, Sheryl, Sharon, Sue
- Media/Communications Committee:
Kerry, Sue (Hendry/Glades) Donna, Sharon Boyd
- Operations Committee:
Kerry, Lynn, Maria
- Outreach Committee:
Sue, Maureen, Elaine

December 2006

1 YEAR

MEMBERSHIP

- 20 active members attending 2/3 of monthly meetings
- Membership committee develops and implements a action plan for membership
- Leader identified for 1 satellite group

OUTREACH

- List of media contacts for 5 counties developed
- 2 marketing strategies developed and disseminated; fact sheet/talking points has been created
- Website designer adds links to media outlets
- Develop list of media outlets
- Events committee established and develops an action plan

LEGISLATIVE

- Legislative delegation meeting - **Maria** trains others to attend
- Leave-behind folder developed for legislators
- 4 members trained in *Partners in Policymaking*
- STAND offers Level 1 and 2 training in collaboration with FCC and community partners

December 2007

2 YEAR

MEMBERSHIP

- Membership is doubled (30)
- 2 of 3 satellites are operational

OUTREACH

- 2 media stories per year
- 1 event held that had media coverage
- Fact sheet/talking points has been created and is used by members
- 4 marketing strategies developed
- Website linked to media outlets

LEGISLATIVE

- Legislative delegation meeting attended - others attend
- Local, state, and federal legislators have been contacted by FCC Area 8
- 8 members trained in *Partners in Policymaking*

December 2008

North Star Dream

GOALS

(3 years)

- Resource libraries located in all Area 8 counties - **Maureen, Donna**
- FCC Area 8 is annually represented at legislative delegation meeting - **Sheryl**
- Maximum number of voting members (15) representing developmental disabilities across their lifespan as outlined by Florida Law **Maria, Mary, Sharon Barry**
- 50 members and associate members actively participate on the council, satellite groups and committees – **Sharon Barry, Mary, Maria**
- 3 functioning satellite groups represent 5 counties (Area 8) - **Maureen, Sue, Elaine**
- Media outlets, government agencies, school systems, support groups, and D.D. organizations, have a link to FCC Area 8 website - **Kerry**
- 4 media stories covered per year - **Sheryl, Donna**
- 1 family friendly event to promote awareness; 3 events held have been covered by media
- FCC Area 8 will have at least 5 voting members or active participants on at least 5 regional committees to make changes for persons with developmental disabilities - **Sheryl**
- FCC Area 8 has created a current fact sheet/ talking points on FCC Area 8 (elevator speech)
- FCC Area 8 has identified a systematic way to promote 2-way communication between local and state meetings
- FCC Area 8 has a systematic plan to disseminate information about APD and Med Waiver to families upon diagnosis - **Elaine**

2009

"FCC Area 8" is a household name.

Upon diagnosis a family learns about APD and MedWaiver.

FCC Area 8 demonstrates, models and practices effective and positive strategies to impact change.



FCC Area 8 is the COMPASS and a point of connection for families with disabilities to be **STRENGTHENED, EMPOWERED, and INJECTED with HOPE** - providing quality information and resources to bridge the gap.

FCC Area 8 input and recommendations are received and considered in the decision making on the statewide level of FCCF and APD.

FCC Area 8 provides cutting edge opportunities to share information.

FCC Area 8 values integration, honesty, empathy, compassion and sincerity.

All individuals are afforded their dream!

FCC Area 8 is a recognized and respected Force in the policymaking process at the local level.

FCC Area 8 identifies and impacts service needs to fill in gaps.

PATH
FAMILY CARE COUNCIL AREA 8
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