<u>Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) Meeting Minutes</u> Tuesday, December 1, 2015

In Attendance:

Matt Rosen (Chair), Supervisory Quality Improvement Specialist, QMD/DDS Lisa Alexander, George Washington University Brenda Sheingold, George Washington University Nancy Vaughan, Parent Jimi Lethbridge, Quality Trust

Handouts from the Meeting

- **❖** Agenda
- Minutes from November Meeting
- ❖ National Core Indicators (NCI) for the New HCBS Requirements

Review of November 3, 2015, Minutes

No substantive changes to the minutes.

National Core Indicator Data Analysis Follow Up Conversation

During this follow up <u>discussion</u>, the group discussed some challenges that we will face as DDA gets closer to having to implement the New HCBS Waiver requirements. These challenges include establishing credit for people to qualify to have their <u>own</u> lease and landlords feeling comfortable with the financial risk, figuring out how DDA will structure services if people with different providers and different staffing pattern requirements want to live together, and the decreasing surplus of affordable housing in the District. The conversation also included the need for the District to establish a person-directed waiver and additional training and materials on sexuality and risk. One member expressed concern that only 69% of people with ID who experienced abuse or neglect in the past year did not report the incident (AFS #56).

Hospitalization Data Review

* Matt Rosen presented hospitalization data from September 1, 2014, to December 1, 2015, to engage the group in a conversation on what could DDA to increase the overall health of people served while decreasing the number of hospitalizations. The group asked some questions about the reasons for hospitalization, what recommendations came out of the investigation and how DDA follow up on ensuring the implementation of the recommendations led to improving the person's quality of life. Possible ideas that came out of the discussion include coding the turnover rate among provider nursing staff, developing clear expectations of how to follow up care and monitoring should happen for certain diagnoses, and tracking the primary care providers for the people we serve for any trends. A request was made for DDA to review records and follow up for any person who was hospitalized twice in the last six months for dehydration, pneumonia or a UTI to determine if there need to be systemic changes.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 (no January meeting, February Meeting was canceled.)