

NCFIE WORKGROUP  
February 20, 2020  
Meeting Notes

**NCFIE Board Members:** Ms. Barb Loftus, BFP Board Chair/Interim Chair for NCFIE, Mr. Nick Intintolo

**Others in Attendance:** Tracy Pellegrino, Director, Phil Scarpelli, CEO, Laurie-Anna DeGennaro, BFP Board Liaison, Dr. Rosanna Malbran, Mr. William Wubbenhorst, Dr. Valerie Holmes, VP of Operations

Ms. Loftus opened the meeting and welcome all to the meeting. She then asked that each attendee share a brief introduction.

Mr. Scarpelli noted the following National Center For Innovation and Excellence (NCFIE) prospective board candidates:

- Dr. Malbran currently serves on the Brevard C.A.R.E.S Board and will be presented at the February 27 BFP board for approval to transfer to the NCFIE Board.
- Mr. Wubbenhorst will also be presented at the February 27 BFP board for approval to serve on the NCFIE board.

Ms. Loftus asked Ms. Pellegrino to facilitate the meeting.

Ms. Pellegrino referenced the Agenda and asked Dr. Holmes to provide some background on the formation and intent of the NCFIE.

Dr. Holmes shared The National Center for Innovation and Excellence was formed in 2012 as the research, training institute, technical assistance and consultation arm of BFP with the intent to provide High Fidelity Wraparound training, Positive Youth Development, Innovations, and Evidence Based Practices. She then provided status updates on the three existing contracts, along with the prospects referenced on the agenda.

Mr. Scarpelli spoke about his recent meeting with the Children's Home Society CEO who is interested in replicating the CARES Wraparound program model in over 50 counties across the state of Florida. A meeting has been arranged with the local Executive Director for further discussions.

Discussions ensued regarding the Governors Positive Youth Development Initiative through The Center for the study of Social Policy (CSSP) and the state-wide Faith Based community Initiative led by Governor appointed Mr. Eric Dellenback.

Members then discussed strategies to initiate a plan for the next steps to engage Mr. Dellenback and Assistant Secretary Medlock.

Discussion ensued regarding the 2020 projected revenues generated through Wraparound Certification Trainings, Coaching/Consulting and Recertifications shown on the agenda and questioned the decision to form the center as a 501(c)3 non-profit and if converted to a for profit entity, would it interfere with future grant opportunities. Members recommended review from legal counsel.

Board Development discussions ensued regarding the following:

- Determine the type of Board: Advisory Board, i.e. Innovation Think Tank, a Governance Board, i.e. revenue driven, or both. The original intent for forming the NCFIE was to generate sustainable diversified revenue streams to offset reliance on the DCF Contract and reinvest revenues back into the local system of care.

Define the Identity of NCFIE for a starting point:

- Strategic Planning:
  - Map out area of focused priority
- Implement tools to influence a communication plan
  - Mission is external
  - Measurable developments are internal

Board Recruitment:

- Legal Background
- Business acumen
- Contact SBA for referrals
- Appoint Board Chair

12:00 Mr. Intintolo left the meeting.

- Schedule Zoom meetings monthly/bi-weekly to start

Discussions ensued regarding:

- Social Determinants:
  - Healthcare
  - Social Services
  - Faith Based Initiatives
  - Government: Child Welfare Institutions
  - Promote CARES replication
  - Cost Drivers; non-healthcare

The intent is to build a successful transition back into the community through communication: Ideas from the community, generate revenue and revenue disbursement back into the community.

- SAMSHA Grant if awarded
  - Priority Execution Plan:
    - Implementation and Staffing mapped out
    - Prospects: Where and Who? Independent Contractors?

Next Meeting: Zoom meeting Tuesday March 4 10:00 – 12:00

Respectfully Submitted,

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BFP Board Liaison