



Sandy Hook Advisory Committee

April 12, 2013

9:30 AM

LOB, Room 2D

Minutes

Committee Chair: Scott Jackson

Members Present: Adrienne Bentman, Ron Chivinski, Robert Ducibella, Terry Edelstein, Kathleen Flaherty, Alice Forrester, Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Chris Lyddy, Denis McCarthy, Barbara O'Connor, David Schonfeld, Harold Schwartz, Bernie Sullivan

Members Absent: Ezra Griffith, Wayne Sandford

- I. Meeting opens at 9:30 AM
- II. Chair Scott Jackson welcomes audience and Committee members
- III. Committee members introduce themselves
- IV. Gary Steck and Sheila Amdur, Chair and Past Interm President of Connecticut Community, and Robert Plant, Chief Clinical Officer of Wellmore Behavioral Health, address the behavioral health needs of children and youth, emphasizing:
 - a. Mental health problems are common and mental health treatment works,
 - b. Most individuals and families with families with mental health problems do not access care in a timely manner, and
 - c. There are significant human end economic costs to poor access and to ineffective care.
- V. Eric Arzubi and Abby Anderson, Co-Chairs of Keep the Promise Coalition Children's Committee, address the behavioral health needs of children and youth, emphasizing:
 - a. The necessity of strengthening the continuum between family, school and community;
 - b. The significance of prevention and early intervention.
- VI. Michael Norko and Madelon Baranoski, Associate Professors of Psychiatry at Yale University School of Medicine, present on assessment and management of risk, emphasizing the use of a clinical risk assessment model because it:



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- a. Links risk to treatment outcomes, prioritizes strategies for risk behaviors and management, and identifies both static and clinical risk factors, and
 - b. Attends to individuals' needs and to public safety at the same time.
- VII. Other Business
- VIII. Meeting adjourns at 4:00 PM