



SOUTHERN SERVICES  
REFORM GROUP

**SSRG Workgroup Meeting**  
**Workgroup: Dementia**  
**Date: 7 July 2015**

Present: Meredith McLeod, Kate Henderson, Julie Clifford, Terry Hales, Sandy Johnson-Jones, Krystyna Kahmann, Clare Kelly (Minutes)

Apologies: Kate Kenning, Mel Olsson, Bridget Kempster Kate Henderson, Gill Schulze

Agenda Items	Discussion	Actions
Welcome and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome Julie Clifford to the group, Julie is from Alzheimer's Australia SA</li><li>• Apologies</li></ul>	
Previous minutes & business arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Previous minutes accepted</li><li>• On 16 June a 'Dementia Pamper Day' was held at the South Adelaide Football club to promote Dementia. The service providers were very happy with the event. The Weavers and volunteer raffled off a basket. Meredith thanked the people for attending as well as the Dementia group, as this group used it network of people to make the day successful.</li></ul>	

<p>Memory Hub update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There has been feedback to the group with regards to the location of the Memory Hub, some clients are having difficulty locating it in the library and therefore needing to ask staff for directions.</li> <li>• Suggestions of a pull up banner or poster to indicate location.</li> <li>• The flyers advertising the hub were empty and therefore need to be topped up on a regular basis.</li> <li>• Try and organise a focus group to get some feedback, Gill and Kate may have a group and will forward the detail to Sandy.</li> <li>• Sandy to meet with Jim regarding advertise the Memory Hub.</li> </ul>	<p>Sandy</p> <p>Kate to email Sandy with some details</p> <p>Sandy</p>
<p>Umbrella Project update – War against loneliness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The calendar is complete; they have been given out with posters to the work group for advertising.</li> <li>• A media wall costing \$1200 has been made; the canvas can be re printed with a different logo in the future for \$200.</li> <li>• The launch of the program and flash mob will be held on 23 July at Ramsay place at 11am. 6-8 people from the flash mob will do the routine again within Colonnades near the food hall. The man on the front of the poster will read out the blurb on the second page of the calendar called 'What's stopping you'.</li> <li>• Umbrellas for this event will be delivered on Friday.</li> <li>• Due to the Dementia group winding down, a suggestion to have a gathering in the library in Dementia Awareness Month (Sept) around the memory hub area and tea/coffee can be served in a meeting room for clients and guests. Try and arrange a guest speaker to attend the event.</li> </ul>	<p>Sandy to ask the library if this is logistical</p>
<p>Project Officer Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symposium will be held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September in the Pavilion at the Wayville Showgrounds. The Disability expo will be held down stairs and symposium upstairs.</li> <li>• The event will be come and try activities as well as listening to guest speakers. \$20 per ticket.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advance Care Directive was held on 1 July. The ACD suggested that everyone young or old should have forms filled out regarding power of attorney etc, however Sandy mentioned that once the forms are filled out, where do they go, do they just sit in a draw? Suggestion to have this information attached to your driver's licence or on my aged care website.</li> </ul>	Sandy to discuss further with the Collaborative team meeting
Information Sharing	<p>Krystyna – Mitcham Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The department has changed their name to Community Wellness, (this covers transport, lunch, social programs and community bus)</li> </ul> <p>Terry – Respite Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The department has also changed its name to Acting Aging.</li> <li>• There are two spots available in respite; however the referrals will now go through My Aged Care.</li> <li>• The snooker group is now called Men's Business. The men get together for a good time, play cards, board games, botchy, pool and darts. 6 to 7 people are attending this group. It is located at Christies Beach/Port Noarlunga RSL.</li> <li>• Another worker will need to be trained to work with the clients.</li> </ul> <p>Sandy – SSRG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bi monthly meetings with YODS reference group looking into respite options.</li> </ul> <p>Meredith – Carer Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended an information session called 'Better Practice Project, Imagining Possibilities', she enjoyed it very much, especially the information from Lisa Elder.</li> <li>• The Morphett Vale office setup isn't very user friendly when speaking with clients and this will be looked into.</li> </ul>	

	<p>Julie – Alzheimer’s SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a lot going on with in the program. The memory walk previous start location was the zoo but this has moved to Moseley square</li> <li>• 21 September is Dementia day and the whole of September is Dementia awareness month.</li> <li>• On the couch session will be held with Peter Goers.</li> </ul> <p>Kate - Alzheimer’s SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explained the role of the link worker has changed as well as the referring to services. Things are up in the air currently due to all the changes with the new My Aged Care program. Their role may now become more of an education role and counsellors will be called intake officers, they will be taking calls and reduce the role of counselling. Dementia hotline has now gone to a national setup and therefore the calls will be answered interstate, but the number hasn’t changed. All employment contracts are until October 30 for link workers.</li> </ul>	<p>Julie will email information to the group.</p>
<p>RAS Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ‘Meet the RAS speed dating Session’ held on 29 June at the Thebarton Community Centre had approximately 35 RAS and 181 people (providers).</li> <li>• Terry mentioned the RAS people had loads of information to take in. He thought it may have been better to hold a morning session rather than afternoon session, as it was a long day and people were tired. However overall, it was a successful day.</li> </ul>	

**Next meeting date: 4 August 2015**

**Time: 2.00 - 4.00 pm**

**Venue: Commonwealth House, City of Onkaparinga**