



SOUTHERN SERVICES
REFORM GROUP

SSRG Workgroup Meeting
Workgroup: Steering Committee
Date: 17 November 2014

Present: Carole Matthews (Chair), Marilyn Mariano, Roy Inglis, Coral Sharp, Mandy ToczekMcPeake, Rima Sallis, Sue Green, Alison Bowden, Donna Young, Valerie Sandlant, Katrina Easton, Jenny Sandow, Jen Day, Sally Warnes (Project Officer), Bev Bannister (Minutes)

Apologies: Sharyn Johnson, Jenny Hughes, Maria Johns

Agenda Items	Discussion	Actions
Welcome and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• welcome and apologies• welcome to our guests Roy Inglis and Marilyn Mariano from Department of Social Services• introductions were made around the table	

<p>Guests: Department of Social Services - Marilyn Mariano and Roy Inglis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not able to discuss the Regional Assessment Service tenders • HACCC funding – are currently assessing all provider submissions - making recommendations then submissions go to Canberra for decisions • If there are underspent funds at the end of June 2015 cannot be carried over and will need to be returned • the Home Support Program Discussion paper draft guidelines should be out soon • Service Support and Development - Collaborative Projects - will be going to tender early 2015 • the webinar on Regional Assessment Services information is available on the Department of Social Services website https://www.dss.gov.au • transport - waiting - looking at CPN and other transport options • home maintenance review has been published 	
<p>Summary of SSRG achievements 2014</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life after Caring – film and bookmarks – the group viewed the film – will be holding a launch for the project in early 2015 - an on-line resource has been developed to support post carers. The film and bookmarks will complement the on-line resource. You are welcome to use the film however you wish - film is on the SSRG you tube channel and website • Ignite your spark – the Social Inclusion workgroup have developed posters, postcards and banners to promote the Ignite your spark campaign. USB's with the 'Ignite your spark' film are available. • the banners can be displayed in council foyers etc • the group had a booth at the Disability and Lifestyle Expo – 'Southern Social Connections' promoting the Ignite your spark project and social programs in the southern region - 150 people came to the booth • Memory Hub – at Noarlunga Library – the Memory Hub has been developed as a community resource of activities, books and information to support people with memory loss and promote brain 	

	<p>health and brain training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Memory Hub was launched in October 2014, with a guest appearance by Rex Lipman, the 92 year old author of Don't Miss The Bus, a book on how to preserve brain function and prevent cognitive decline • the evaluation forms have been completed and will be available online and in paper form - Sally to meet with library staff to implement the evaluation process • I Can(t) – still tweaking the program – Sally & Lui met with Domiciliary Care - they are interested in referring people to do the course • a new interactive driving wheel is being created – the wheel focuses on the elements of 'wellness' – will be handing it out at the SA Collaborative Projects stand at the National Gerontology Conference • aim to develop a train the trainer program in 2015 • Annual Report - was completed in September - bound copies were handed out • SASMA Conference – have received great feedback about the conference – SASMA would like to extend the group and explore the possibility of further workshops on wellness, enablement and empowerment – they have are holding a SASMA workshop on 4 December for interested people 	
<p>Results Based Accountability (RBA) Training reflection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coral took the learnings back to her organisation and had discussions about using it internally • collective impact process would be great but difficult to negotiate particularly due to the de-funding of the SSRG 	
<p>2015 planning session</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what do we want to achieve in the next six months? • will be holding a planning workshop 19 January 2015 • discuss how to keep collaboration going • invite members from the workgroups to the planning day 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have two or three representatives from each group or organisation • re updating the Seniors Southern Services Directory app - still waiting to see if SIS funding application is successful – Bev in process of working through the update – possibly complete final update early 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally to send invite asking for two members from each workgroup to attend the planning day
Politician Adoption Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Carer Issues workgroup suggested the project 'Adopt a Politician' politicians to be 'adopted' by Carers • the Politician Adoption Scheme is unique to the Developmental Disability Council of WA (DDC). The scheme began in 1998 and over the years more than 70 Members of Parliament, from all parties, and from both Houses of the State and Federal parliaments, have been 'adopted' by people with disabilities and their families in Western Australia. The Politician Adoption Scheme connects people with disability and their families with a politician from their electorate. • the aim of the scheme is to enable the development of a relationship which provides personal insight to the lived experience of the person with disability and their family and a commitment by the politician to advance the rights and needs of people with disabilities within their electorate • the group had a discussion on how we could adapt the program to South Australia - understanding of caring issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally to investigate this idea more and take back to the meeting in January 2015
Information sharing	<p>Coral – Alzheimer's SA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Workers - looking for services for clients under age of 65 - north region has a Dementia Resource Guide – it is a useful tool - is it worth doing in the south? • key workers have been working with the Disability Enterprise Services to provide some volunteering opportunities specifically for people under the age of 65 – to volunteer with Minda, Bedford and Barkuma – provides opportunities for social engagement for those who are in the early stages 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alzheimer’s Australia SA – provide a range of community talks that can be presented to groups in the community <p>Donna - MAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAC held their AGM last week • launched three new branches of their organisation - Multicultural Aging Services – working with CALD community groups and older people, MLD(Multicultural Learning and Development) - training arm of multicultural aged care, Cafe 94 - started at Coinda this year – group program, multicultural - activity based - based on Montessori principles - aimed at younger older person – sessions at Tea Tree Gully, MAC, Coinda - have waiting list...very successful – looking at expanding next year 	
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Next meeting date: 19 January 2015 – Planning Session

Time: 1.30 - 5.00 pm

Venue: Marion Hotel, 849 Marion Road, Mitchell Park 5043