



## Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources

### Berks-Lancaster-Lebanon Service Area

**Berks County partners' network September 17, 2019 Cross-training meeting**

# Minutes

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Today's date: November 19, 2019

### **I. Call to order and welcome**

The September meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by Ann Barlet, Berks County Link. The meeting was held at Fairlane Gardens Nursing & Rehab, 21 Fairlane Rd., Reading, PA 19606.

Ann welcomed all in attendance.

The May 21<sup>st</sup> Berks County Link Partners' Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

There are 108 Network Partners. The partners introduce themselves; present at the meeting were:

- David Shields, Berks County Area Agency on Aging
- Michele Linder, Precision Health Care
- Kathy Galbraith, Fairlane Gardens
- David LeBlanc, Morgan Stanley
- Lisette Mendez, Berks County Area Agency on Aging
- Rachel Heck, Tower Health at Home
- Chris Gregg, Birdsboro Lodge
- Isabel Kampe, Tower Health at Home
- Glenna Zinn, Tower Health at Home
- Judith Bachmon, APPRISE, Berks Encore
- Cassandra Kissinger, Tower Health at Home
- Lisa Boylan, Tower Health at Home
- Ryan Sulzer, Maxim
- Rob Schmitz, Maxim



- Ginger VanSteenvoort, State Rep. Jim Cox office
- Greg Lynch, Prosthetic Orthotic Service
- Asheligh Mills, Berks County Area Agency on Aging
- Helen Heidelbaugh, Tower Health
- Donna Edmunds, Tower Health at Home
- Vanessa Sheidy, Grane Hospice
- Christy Newth, Assured Assistance
- Phil Bortz, Maxim
- Natasha Young, A part of our family Homecare
- Maria Beretto, Tower Health
- Sally Kneipp, Community Skills, Program of Counseling & Rehab
- Lori Krug, Berks Encore
- Gavin Mata, A Part of Our Family Home Care
- Carol Lightfoot, Tower Health at Home
- Carlie Mills, Tower Health at Home
- Caroline Smith, UDS
- Wendy Kerschner, Comfort Keepers
- Olivia Benson, Self-Determination Housing of PA
- Cindy Celi, Mom's Meals/Nourish
- Ilona Sabo-LeClair, Tower Health at Home Hospice
- Lorrain Honig, Tower Health at Home
- Bill Griffis, Precision Health Care
- Katie Rex, Tower Health
- Deborah Greenawald, Alvernia University – Dept of Nursing
- David Regar
- Angela Peck, Curran Estate Law
- Maria Speicher, Berks Encore
- Sharon Monas, Therapy Resource Center
- Victoria Budroni, Pottstown Hospital
- Renee Alston, UDS
- Noreen Richards, Fairlane Gardens
- Christina, Fairlane Gardens



## **II. Business and LINK activities**

- a. Ann reminded everyone that LINK meeting agendas and minutes are posted at the website: <http://berkslancasterlebanonlink.org>.
- b. Ann asked everyone to “like” the facebook page and share ideas for the website and facebook pages.
- c. Ann asked those in attendance to share their agencies’ events, etc. by sending the information to Ann or Brian at [blllink@mail.com](mailto:blllink@mail.com) so they can be shared on the Website.

## **III. Cross-training program**

**Kevin Hancock, Deputy Secretary, Office of Long-Term Living.** Kevin will share information about the implementation of Community Health Choices, Pennsylvania’s mandatory managed care program for dually eligible individuals and individuals with physical disabilities, beginning January 2020 in Berks County. He will discuss the eligibility participation requirements, choices and the enrollment process.

## **IV. New Business**

Next Cross-Training meeting: The next Berks County Link Partners’ Meeting is Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. There are two presentations. One presentation will be about the Breast Cancer Support Services of Berks, presented by Lynn Manganaro, Program Coordinator and the other presenter is Caroline Smith, United Disability Services (UDS) who will provide a follow-up to the September CHC presentation and information about UDS. The October Link meeting will be held at Manor Care Sinking Spring, 3000 Windmill Rd., Sinking Spring, PA 19608. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about Manor Care Health Services and take a tour of the facility.

The Network Partners’ Meetings for the remainder of this calendar year is:

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019.** The presentations will be made by Holly Dolan, Director of Education & Outreach for Lebanon Family Health Services on ***‘Just Breathe: Update on the State of Lung Health’*** and Martha Harris from ***Fizika Group.*** The November meeting will be held at The Heritage of Green Hills, 200 Tranquility Lane, Reading, PA 19607. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about the Heritage of Green Hills and Green Hills Manor as well as receive a tour of the facility.



Please contact Ann ([abarlet@countyofberks.com](mailto:abarlet@countyofberks.com)) or 610-478-6500 ext 5523) for ideas for presentation topics as well as if interested in hosting a meeting.

## **Partner “announcements”**

Ann noted that the ***Berks County Link Partners’ Meetings for 2020 will be held on the first Tuesday of the month instead of the third Tuesday.*** It will begin at the same time, 9:00 am.

## **Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.**

### **PARTNERS’ NETWORK:** new partners

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1. Abilities In Motion
2. Acadia, Inc.
3. Acquired Brain Injury Network of Pennsylvania
4. Advance Home Health Care
5. Aetna/Health America-Advantra/Scott Wolfe
6. Ageless Harmony Adult Senior Day Care & Community Services
7. AHEDD – Greater Berks County Area
8. Alzheimer’s Association
9. AMRAMP
10. APPRISE – Berks Encore
11. Armstrong Relocation Company
12. Assured Assistance LLC
13. At Home Quality Care
14. Bellomo & Associates, LLC
15. Berks Area Regional Transportation Authority (BARTA)
16. Berks County Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

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17. Berks County Assistance Office
18. Berks County Veterans Affairs
19. Berks Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Inc.
20. Beyond the Fork in the Road – Senior Moving Solutions
21. Breast Cancer Support Services of Berks
22. Caption Call
23. Caring Hospice Services
24. Casey Ball Supports Coordination, LLC
25. Chestnut Knoll Senior Living Personal Care & Memory Care
26. Clear Captions, LLC

27. Circle of Life Coalition, Inc.
28. Comfort Keepers – Berks County
29. Compassionate Concern Home Care
30. Compassus Hospice
31. Connie A. Bean – The Traveling Hairstylist
32. Constance
33. Cope Mosaic
34. Country Meadows of Wyomissing
35. Curran Estate Law
36. Diakon Community Services RSVP
37. Disability Empowerment Center
38. Dynamic Physical Therapy
39. Ephrata Family Dentistry
40. Epilepsy Foundation | Eastern Pennsylvania
41. Exact Care Management, LLC
42. Fairlane Gardens Nursing & Rehab at Reading
43. Fazika Group, LLC
44. Gen Rx Testing Solutions LLC/Chemisys Laboratories, LLC
45. Good News Consulting
46. Goodwill Keystone Area
47. Green Hills Manor
48. Griswold Home Care – Berks County
49. HGSK Law Firm
50. Hamilton Relay/ Pennsylvania TRS Outreach
51. Hands from the Heart Home Healthcare Services
52. Haven Behavioral Hospital of Eastern Pennsylvania
53. Heartland Hospice
54. HelpUStay
55. Heron Companions

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56. Hospice & Community Care
57. Hospice for All Seasons



<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>58. Housing Development Corporation (HDC) - MidAtlantic</li><li>59. Humana®   Marketpoint</li><li>60. IM Able Foundation</li><li>61. Interim Health Care</li><li>62. InTouch by SAH</li><li>63. John Paul II Learning Center</li><li>64. Lehigh Valley Respiratory Care</li><li>65. Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped – Free Library of Philadelphia</li><li>66. Loyalty Client Services, LLC</li><li>67. Manor Care West Reading</li><li>68. MidPenn Legal Services</li><li>69. Mifflin Court - Genesis</li><li>70. Mom's Meals/NourishCare</li><li>71. Mor Smiles</li><li>72. My Down-to-Earth-Doula</li><li>73. NAMI of PA Berks County</li><li>74. Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Berks Inc,</li><li>75. On-Line Publishers, Inc.</li><li>76. Our City Reading, Inc</li><li>77. Pa Adult &amp; Teen Challenge</li><li>78. PA Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services</li><li>79. PA Health Management</li><li>80. Paramount Living Aids, LLC</li><li>81. Patient Care – Wyomissing</li><li>82. Patriot Home Care</li><li>83. Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation</li><li>84. Pennsylvania Council of the Blind</li><li>85. Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA)</li><li>86. Precision Health Care</li><li>87. Precision Hearing Aid Center</li><li>88. Premier One Financial Company</li><li>89. ProStat</li><li>90. Quality Insights</li><li>91. Reading Housing Authority</li><li>92. Self-Determination Housing Project of Pennsylvania, Inc.</li><li>93. Senior Helpers</li><li>94. Senior Life Reading</li><li>95. Service Access and Management, Inc. (SAM)</li><li>96. Signature Senior Living</li><li>97. Smart Moves with Sue</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>98. The LGBT Center of Greater Reading</li><li>99. The Manor at Market Square</li><li>100. Threshold Rehabilitation Services, Inc.</li><li>101. Transition Connections</li><li>102. TriCounty at Home</li><li>103. United Disabilities Services</li><li>104. VIBRA Health Plan</li><li>105. Vision Resource Center of Berks County</li><li>106. Visiting Angels – Berks County</li><li>107. Welsh Mountain Center</li><li>108. Your Visiting Hygienist</li></ul>
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