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PDAC Technical Assistance (TA) Credential Committee Telenet
Minutes
November 14, 2017
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Attendees:

Karen McCarthy	Medina Bailey	Stephanie Hellmer
Lisa Downey*	Sharyl Robin*	Tami O'Daniel

denotes co-chair

Welcome
- Sharyl Robin welcomed attendees to the meeting.

Approval of September 12, 2017 Minutes
- Motion to approve made by Karen McCarthy.
- Motion seconded by Medina Bailey.
- Motion passed and minutes approved.

Overview of Technical Assistance Credentials Awarded (Attachment A)
- Inclusive of pilot applicants, 68 Technical Assistance (TA) Credentials have been awarded.
- Since the last TA Credential Committee meeting on September 12, 2017, one TA Credential has been awarded.
  - There are several applicants who need to submit work experience and/or additional trainings/coursework.

Overview of the Technical Assistance Credential *Draft* Framework (Attachment B) and *Draft* Career Lattice (Attachment C)
- The Committee reviewed the Technical Assistance Credential drafted framework which includes competencies.
  - Question: Is there a connection between the Gateways Credentials that they have and their area of specialization? Is the area of specialization what they already have a Credential in?
    - Answer: Yes, the Committee had spoken about this a while ago. The area of specialization would be where they are then able to provide technical assistance. For instance, if an individual has an Infant Toddler Credential, they would be able to provide technical assistance to those working with infants and toddlers.
    - An individual could have multiple TA Credentials with different areas of specialization. Applicants would need to have work experience in coaching, mentoring, and technical assistance to each area of specialization.
  - Question: Will there be separate fees for each TA Credential an individual applies for? Will they be applying for multiple TA Credentials?
    - Answer: The fee determined by Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS).
- The Committee reviewed the draft Career Lattice.
  - As illustrated, the ECE Credential is the core for all Credentials with the exception of the Family Specialist Credential and School-Age and Youth Development Credential.

Discussion and Review of *Drafted* Technical Assistance Credential Renewal Recommendation (Attachment D)

- The drafted recommendation for the renewal of the Technical Assistance Credential is consistent with the renewal requirements for other Gateways Credentials.
  - 45 clock hours of training (or 3 semester hours of coursework) in ECE and/or School-Age topics focused on working with children birth to age twelve and/or topics specific to Technical Assistance Content Areas.
  - Current Registry Membership
- It was suggested to change the recommendation to "45 hours of training in area of specialization and/or relationship based coaching and mentoring."
  - Question: What about those who have received a TA Credential and were not given an area of specialization?
    - Answer: INCCRRA staff will meet with Joni to discuss the TA Credential renewal recommendation.
- Final recommendation will be emailed to Committee for review and voted on via email.
  - The goal is to have this recommendation presented to the Qualifications and Credentials Committee during their telenet on January 2, 2018.

Announcements and Next Steps

- The Technical Assistance Credential Committee oversight is coming to an end. There will be two more FY18 telenets and then the Committee's work will be complete.
  - All Committee members are encouraged to stay involved and assist on another Committee under Professional Development Advisory Council (PDAC).
  - During the February FCC Credential Committee telenet, Julie Lindstrom will be present to discuss the various opportunities to stay involved.

Future FY18 Quarterly Telenets:

- 3rd Quarter   Thursday, February 13th, 2018   9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
- 4th Quarter   Thursday, June 12th, 2018   9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

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