



Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources
Berks-Lancaster-Lebanon Service Area

*Lancaster County Link Partner Network cross-training Meeting **Minutes** – February 20, 2020*

Minutes accepted date: August 16, 2020

I. Call to order

The Link cross-training meeting was called to order first meeting of the year and decade was convened by Brian Long Link coordinator at 1:17 pm at Conestoga View Nursing and Rehabilitation, 900 East King Street, Lancaster, PA.

Brian thanked Christine Molina and the team at Conestoga View for hosting the meeting and providing the array of refreshments. He asked her to officially welcome the meeting partners and to facilitate the “safety briefing.”

II. Old Business: Brian highlighted the standing business items but reminded everyone to encourage other partners to consider aligning as a Link partner. He asked everyone to sign the attendance sheets.

He reminded the partners to tell others you know about the Link and ask them to become a Link partner.

He asked everyone to sign the sign-in sheets and to begin the self-introductions.

III. Attendee self-introductions¹. Attending today’s meeting were:

- Renee Alston, United Disabilities Services
- **Robert Anderson, Veterans Affairs**
- Diana Baum, Lancaster Rehab
- Danielle Berardi, Masonic Villages
- Sara Bucher, Legend of Lancaster
- Jennifer Canestrare, Constance
- Elaine Carrigan, Susquehanna Valley Nursing & Rehab

¹ NOTE: Boldface indicates a first-time attendee.



- Lionel Chiong, Lancashire Hall Nursing and Rehab
- Casey Davis, Hospice & Community Care
- Kristin Deavers, VieMed
- **Lark Eshleman, About Child Trauma Foundation**
- Jessica Etter, Conestoga View Nursing & Rehabilitation
- Robert Garvey, Masonic Village
- Stephanie Hertzog, Priority Health Group / Senior Helpers
- Christine Hibbert, REAL Life Community Services
- Jennifer Hoover, Masonic Village
- John Horst, citizen
- Kaori Kelly, At Home Quality Care
- Anne Kempsell, Compassus
- Tom Kloss, Pennsylvania Council on Aging
- Gina Lines, Gentiva/Kindred At Home
- John Lockard, Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services
- Brittany Mellinger, Lancaster Housing Opportunity Partnership (LHOP)
- Francis Miliano, Representative Mike Sturla's office
- Sue Miller, VisionCorps
- Christine Molina, Conestoga View Nursing & Rehabilitation
- **Vinny Onomastico, Beltone**
- **Amanda Pearl, Penn State College of Medicine | Depart of Autism**
- Morgan Reiss, Constance
- Loreen Sauder, Elderwood Senior Living
- Susan Schaffer, Infobility
- Len Shertzer, Shertzer Home Resources, LLC
- Ashley Smith Myers, Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes
- Phyllis Stone, citizen
- Amy Strawser, Pennsylvania Relay
- Heidi Thomas, Bellomo & Associates
- Carol Thompson, Armstrong Relocation / Jack Trieir Moving & Storage
- **Megan Vanaskie, Lancaster Rehab**
- Ashley Watts, Masonic Homes Hospice
- **Susanna Witmer, Caring Transitions of Lancaster County, PA**



IV. Cross-training program presenters

Megan Reiss, Constance – Megan’s introduced the participants to the services Constance provides; her PowerPoint included an actual call with a Customer of services. Constance is a daily telephone check in service that has live persons who “call your loved one. They talk about what’s new, plans for the day and how your loved one is feeling physically and emotionally.”

Lark Eshleman, About Child Trauma Foundation. Dr. Eshleman’s presentation – conversations about “emotional trauma & attachment” – included a Power Point presentation, examples and personal instances that focused on adverse childhood experiences and the lasting impacts.

Both presenters graciously responded to questions and participant comments following their separate presentations and following the meeting.

V. New Business

Next month’s cross-training meeting:

March 19, 2020 – Martha Harris, president / CEO, Fi.zi.ka. and Collette Gorman, Caption Call. The meeting will be held at the Lancaster County Fireman’s Association, 632 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17543.

Upcoming events: Several partners told about events their agencies are holding. Brian reminded everyone that upcoming events for Link partners and Link functions are always updated at the Website.

Adjournment –the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 pm.