



NFI Program Committee – Quality Assurance Advisory Council

Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting, 25 January, 2017

Council Chair: Kathy Vandenberg

Members present: D Buehler, Joy Browne, Karen Smith, Grace Basso, K. Vandenberg

Members absent: H. Als, g. Lawhon

Topic #1: Setting Up Zoom Account for QAAC Committee

Discussion

Joy, Deborah, Kathy, Grace and Karen logged on to the Zoom Account using the link that Joy had provided. The best part of using Zoom is that you can see each other! The Account seems to be a wonderful tool for NFI and all of its Committees. We recommended that it be considered and adopted after using it for the QAAC Committee. Zoom has ongoing implications for being used as a tool to assist the relationships between NIDCAP Trainers and trainees.

Topic #2: Review and Adoption of the 14 December, 2016 Minutes

Discussion

The Minutes of the 14 December, 2016 Meeting were adopted as there were enough attendees (5 out of 7) and Heidi had approved them.

Topic #3: Discussion/Delegation of Tasks for Trainer Progression

Discussion:

Even though there was a positive reaction to the session, it was felt that the discussion of Trainer's main concerns from the Trainer's Meeting in Bologna, had taken on too much in our presentations. Having only 1 full hour to present with 5 presenters speaking, it was assumed that we covered too many issues in that one hour. We spent most of the meeting time addressing issues for the Trainer.

Topic #4: Discussion of Nurturing the NIDCAP Trainer

Discussion:

As we discussed the issues of Nurturing the Trainer, our discussion centered around requiring more cohesive support and strategies for NIDCAP Trainers. We need to provide for each Trainer and trainee a process of helping the trainees improve relationships. This would involve the levels of groundwork and process building.

For example, during the trainee's work of learning NIDCAP, there could be a way they could meet regularly. Through use of a program such as Zoom, a meeting with the Master Trainer and trainee could take place each month at a specific time (no matter where they are in the world). Trainees could bring their training and their process issues. In addition, each meeting would guarantee privacy and provide specific parameters in which to share concerns. The NIDCAP Master Trainer would regularly be available to discuss these issues implementing reflection.

It was discussed that this QAAC Committee could become the forum for developing these strategies and supports for Master, Senior and NIDCAP Trainers to evolve the content of these meetings. The Edmonton Trainers Meeting will continue to guide the Trainers through the steps to providing strategies and support for Trainers using the Zoom as a tool for ongoing communication.

Note: The next conference call meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 22 , 2017 at 1500 EDT.

Date 25 January 2017.

Notes prepared by Kathy Vandenberg

