



NFI Program Committee – Quality Assurance Advisory Council

Minutes of the Conference ZOOM Call Meeting 6 February 2018

Members Present: H. Als, J. Browne, M. Johnson, g. Lawhon, K. Smith, D. Vittner

Absent: D. Buehler, N. Conneman, J. Helm

Topic: Review of Document re Mentoring and Consultation

Discussion: A clarification of the difference between mentoring and consultation was shared by Joy Browne. Mentoring, reflective consultation and supervision categories were discussed. The emerging category of Coaching, especially in the Early Intervention arena, was discussed. The thought of scheduling a session regarding Mentoring, Consultation and Coaching at the upcoming meeting in Porto was proposed. The group agreed that this would be a good session to offer at the Porto meeting.

Topic: Date and Time of Future QAAC Calls

Discussion: The following date, March 13th, is the date of our next call. The QAAC members are asked to please review their calendars and respond regarding the proposed dates and times of the QAAC meetings for the second quarter of 2018. These dates are: April 11th, May 9th and June 13th.

Topic: Review and Adoption of Training Materials

Discussion: Discussion of this topic

Topic: Discussion of Mentoring vs Consultation

Discussion: The group will continue to work on articulating the two processes, Mentoring vs Consultation. This discussion which began at the Trainers' Meeting in Arizona is ongoing. The processes of Mentoring, Reflective Consultation and Supervision will have ongoing discussion by group members. These topics will be geared towards developing frameworks to be shared at the 2018 Trainers' Meeting.

Topic: Training Issues

Discussion: This topic has been postponed and will be scheduled for discussion at a future meeting call. A time for this topic will be decided on at our next call.

Topic: Master Training Session

Discussion: A brief report on the progress of the development of this session. The session will include: Reflective consultation, Translation, Review and revision of documents. Reflection and mentoring as well as coaching to support professionals in moving to the next level is planned for in the sessions to take place at Porto meeting.

Topic: Training Packets

Discussion: The use of the training packets and materials as well a variation in training practices was brought up as a discussion point. The use of documents, as well as which documents are included in the training packets was brought up by council members. This topic will be placed on future agenda for further discussion and clarification. There were also additional questions regarding the training practices and the sequences and milestones regarding the development of the Trainer-in-Training Process. This will be placed on our future agenda for further discussion and clarification.

The next ZOOM Call will be on April 11th 2018.

Notes by K. Smith/HA