

**DEMENTIA CARE NETWORK ALGOMA
STEERING COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 29, 2003
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Alzheimer Society of Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma District
633 Albert St. E.
Sault Ste. Marie, ON

MEETING SUMMARY

Present: Duane Buchanan, Family Caregiver
Sharon Swain, Community Health Services Canadian Red Cross
Paula Sirie, Group Health Centre
Phyllis Youmans, Family Caregiver
Dr. James Chau
Susan Van Atte, ACMS District Health Council
Arlene Gear, Psychogeriatric Resource Consultant
Carolyn Cybulski, Alzheimer Society

Regrets: Zahida Croskery, Algoma Manor
Bonnie Lyons, Ontario Finnish Resthome
Shelley McEachern, Sault Area Hospital
Barb Del Paggio, CCAC
Cheryl Sullivan, V.O.N.
Sheila Campbell, Dr. Trefry Centre
Barb Forest, Seniors' Mental Health
Karen Baird, North Shore Community Support Services
Cynthia Mailloux, Huron Lodge
Gayle Cazalet, North Shore Tribal Council
Linda Toner, Ministry of Health

1. Arlene Gear opened the meeting with welcome and introductions.
2. Carolyn Cybulski advised the Committee that the application for the AccessAbility Grant from the Ministry of Citizenship for the Care Map Project has been approved. Carolyn also advised the Committee that the Client Services Working Group has been formed. The first meeting will be February 12, 2003. The first project for this group will be the Care Map project. The Steering Committee will oversee this project and will review the first draft when it's produced. Outside agencies/individuals who are not involved in the Dementia Network may also be approached to review the first draft to ensure that a wide range of feedback is obtained. Arlene raised the issue of North Algoma, and how to approach the Care Map since there are no representatives on the Committee from North Algoma. Carolyn will again contact representatives from North Algoma.
3. The combined Inventory of Services (for both Sault Ste. Marie area and East Algoma) was reviewed. Additional feedback was obtained from group members and will be added to document. The Client Services Working Group will also give input to the document before it is finalized.

4. Arlene asked for feedback from the Committee regarding the Education Working Group – whether there was need for its formation. Decision made that Arlene will speak with the individuals who indicated an interest in this Group last June to see if they remain interested and to seek advice on the structure of the committee.
5. Future activities of the Steering Committee were discussed. The Committee will be responsible for overseeing the Care Map Project, and will also be responsible for addressing the gaps that have been identified through the inventory of services process. A major function of the group will also be information-sharing.
6. Committee members were given an opportunity to share knowledge and information.
7. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon. Next meeting: Wednesday, April 9, 2003 at 10:00 a.m.