

StopFalls Network California Shared Resources Workgroup Meeting Minutes 11/09/05

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Agenda Item	Key Points	Action Items
<p>Description of Fall Prevention Center (FPCE) Resource Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FPCE Background • *FPCE Scope of Work • *www.stopfalls.org 	<p>The Archstone Foundation funded/established the Fall Prevention Center (FPCE) to coordinate fall prevention activities, to build coalitions and to expand community programs. The Center identifies/evaluates resources, acts as a clearing house, develops a database of champions and disseminates information.</p> <p>StopFalls Network California is one of the Center's projects. In September, the Network established workgroups to develop action plans in five activity areas. The Center's scope of work in resource activities overlaps with some of our action plan. The Center, according to Maria Henke, could use help compiling resources, selecting criteria for inclusion and choosing methods of dissemination.</p> <p>The Center's newsletter, StopFalls, and its website www.stopfalls.org are communication tools available to the Network.</p>	
<p>Shared Resources Workgroup: Integration with FPCE Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Desired Outcomes from Workgroup Members • What Assistance Does FPCE Need? 	<p>Identify the overlaps and the gaps: How does the workgroup know what the Center has already evaluated and decided not to put on website?</p> <p>Members desired outcomes: a list of community resources for vision impaired seniors; successful evidenced base programs; published materials, videos and brochures available; 'good programs that work' as well as evidenced based programs; who is doing what to prevent falls in a community so referrals can be made among agencies; local community resources related to fall prevention available by 1-800-520-1010 or number for local for AAA info and assistance; printed community resource guides should have categories so individuals can find direct services programs for balance/gait fitness programs or home modification programs; good info to live safely.</p>	

	<p>Rachel related FPCE assistance needed from her discussion with Maria Henke: The www.stopfalls.org website needs support in these areas: identifying resources; reviewing current information, especially under the headings of 'Basic' and 'Service Providers'; research project/studies which have become successful programs/practices; developing an evaluating system; sharing the credit by identify who's who with possible links to those members' web sites.</p>	
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<p>Draft Action Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisit in Context of FPCE Resource Activities • Initial Implementation Activities 	<p>Draft Action Plan was discussed and no significant changes were made at this time.</p> <p>Workgroup members will review www.StopFalls.org with Maria's comments as to the assistance needed by the Center in mind.</p> <p>Initial activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Each member will choose a resource currently on the site and review it. The resource should be one related to the member's area of expertise, such as small business, public health, hospital-based services, charity-based services, community-based services, research, or special populations. 2) Each member will select a resource on fall prevention created by their own organizations or members of the StopFalls Network for possible inclusion on the StopFalls Network area of the website. The objective here will be to share our own resources with other members of the Network. Each member will make notes as to how they selected/evaluated the resource. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each member will review and evaluate a resource on the StopFalls Website and submit to Rachel • Each member will select a network resource and submit to Rachel. • Rachel will compile resource lists.
<p>Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional Workgroup Members • Next Meeting or Teleconference 	<p>The workgroup's membership is open. No new names were suggested at his meeting.</p> <p>After a short discussion, it was decided the next meeting will be in January.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members will notify Rachel of possible new workgroup members • Rachel will poll workgroup members in early January to set date of next meeting.