



# AZCoPT Agenda and Minutes

**Date: 9-2-2021**

**Location:**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87867327975>

**Meeting ID: 878 6732 7975**

**Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm**

**Attendees:**

Same Klein ADE

Ceci Hartke RSK

Stephanie Johnson Transition Coordinator Deer Valley TSW

Sara Zappia Arizona @Work

Harvey Smith Arizona @Work

Becky Raabe ADE

Lauren Blocher ADE

Victoria Rosca NAU SIP-C

Chy Porter AHCCCS

Megan Conrad DCS

Margaret Calderon DES

Abel Young VR

Velma Spencer

Susan Voirol Diverse Ability Inc.

Betty Schoen VR

Monica Amaya

## 2021 Team Shared Goals/Vision

- Launch Transition Guide
- Increase collaboration with LCoPT's
- Increase accessibility of information to youth, families, and the community to increase engagement
- Facilitate Parent Community of Practice (engage them into LCoPT's)

**Goals can be read in further detail using this link: [2021 Team Shared Goals/Vision doc](#)**

AGENDA ITEM	LEAD	NOTES
Arizona @Work guests	Jay	<p>Welcome: Sara Zappia Harvey Smith</p> <p>Federal project through Dept. of Labor Supporting local labor market and local businesses Free to participants who come to seek services Support individuals to achieve a career rather than just a job Services:</p>

		<p>Navigating job search and obtaining employment and barriers that come about</p> <p>Provide training through modules to develop employability skills</p> <p>Job Seekers include: Out of School Youth, Ind. from incarceration, adults seeking career transitions</p> <p>Fund credentials obtainment</p> <p>Ind. must be able to work in the U.S.</p> <p>Must be eligible to be hired</p> <p>Working to support individuals to obtain employment w/livable wages</p> <p>As a result of pandemic, found a different way to seek new job seekers virtually</p> <p>They complete a form to provide information on their needs so that Arizona @Work can meet their unique needs</p> <p>Data on job seekers? How many of these individuals have disabilities?</p> <p>A lot of individuals choose not to disclose they have a disability, however may mention this towards end of consult with.</p> <p>Margaret, what is the relationship with voc rehab and referral process of job seekers w/ voc rehab. They will seek collaboration w/ voc. Rehab is deemed beneficial for the job seeker, however this is case by case basis. Will provide wrap around services if necessary.</p> <p>Have a database of employers and will develop and maintain collaborative relationships w/employers. Focus on service is empowering job seekers to facilitate their job seeking process. When meet with new employers, will ask questions related to hiring an ind. w/disclosed</p>
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		<p>disability, criminal background, etc. Will continue to seek information</p> <p>DDD will refer members for VR when they are seeking employment or competitive integrated employment.</p>
Review Team Goals/Vision	Chris	
Project/Subcommittee Updates	Chris	<p>Transition Guide: No Updates as of today</p> <p>IDEA Conference Presentation:</p>
IDEA Conference Presentation Update	Chris	<p>Aventri Platform for Conference dashboard. Presentations will launch on Zoom platform</p> <p>2 Presentations: 1 will focus on Transition Guide 1 will focus on providing a panel overview of AZCoPT with discussion of LCoPT and how participants can get involved locally to enhance their professional practice Presenter training will be provided</p> <p>Room hosts/moderators may include: Sam Klein Lauren Blocher Ana Nunez Lisa Livesay Liz Merkle</p> <p>Becky Update - Support for Youth and Family @conference Has personally seen the impact on youth and empowering them to be their own ambassadors</p> <p>She is working to make sessions accessible to youth and family as well as supporting them in navigating the virtual platform</p>

IMA Learner Resources	Chris	
LCoPT Networking Event	Sam	<p>Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> 2:30 – 4:00pm  Registration Link:  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZctde2vrDwuH9zMC4a48H3xnGXiKTMGa61Q">https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZctde2vrDwuH9zMC4a48H3xnGXiKTMGa61Q</a></p> <p><i>Breakout Groups:</i>  Maricopa East/West  N. AZ  S. AZ</p> <p><i>Who from AZCoPT will be there:</i>  Abel  Lauren  Betty  Becky  Ceci  Susan  Chris  Stephanie  Velma</p> <p>Team will join 15 minutes ahead of time  We will run breakout groups  What success stories and barriers do locals have where we can learn from each other</p> <p>Questions were asked when registered.  Individuals asked specific questions where members of AZCoPT can specifically answer.  These members can be a part of these breakout groups to support answers to these questions.</p> <p>Can view here:  <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SSlc0xejIB3Vd-2SjYDIQ3QNx7d4Ji3nCuUtEu8lafY/edit?usp">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SSlc0xejIB3Vd-2SjYDIQ3QNx7d4Ji3nCuUtEu8lafY/edit?usp</a></p>

		<a href="#">=sharing</a> Members can add notes as to what
Website Updates	Harrison/Sam	<p>Harrison not present. Sam discussed:  Discussion was had about revamping website.  Linked Transition Slide Guide  Provided Transition Resource Guide  Google Form there for participants to submit information on individuals who want to sign up  Members let Sam know if there are any edits to the form  In “Other Transition Resources”: what else do we want to add?</p> <p>If there are resources you want to post on website, send them to Sam</p> <p><b>PLEASE SUBMIT PRIOR TO IDEA CONFERENCE (By Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>)</b></p> <p><b>Additions:</b></p> <p>Betty: I have a document with pre-ets resources, and will be developing a document with contact info for different resources for training and job seeker resources</p> <p>Megan add: <a href="https://dcs.az.gov/services/yap">https://dcs.az.gov/services/yap</a></p> <p>Abel:  <a href="https://des.az.gov/services/employment/rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation/pre-employment-transition">https://des.az.gov/services/employment/rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation/pre-employment-transition</a></p>
Identify new ambassadors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cochise</li> <li>• Pima</li> </ul>	Sam	<p>Abel will go have fun in southern AZ!</p> <p>Sam accepted new role of Lead Special Project Specialist</p> <p>Will no longer be a part of AZCoPT @end of 2021</p>

## LCOPT UPDATES

LOCATION	AMBASSADOR	UPDATES
<b>Cochise County</b>	Sam Klein	Did not meet in August. Next meeting is on Sept 22 from 10-12. We'll have guests from the Pinal CoPT to share about their past Transition Event. The group would like to hear from the Northern AZ CoPT in the near future too. We'll also work on the county resource guide. The group will meet again in October, then skip Nov/Dec.
<b>East Valley</b>	Betty Schoen/Susan Voirol	first meeting was 8-27-21, next meeting 9-24-21
<b>Flagstaff CoPT</b>	Becky Raabe	
<b>Mohave County</b>	Betty Schoen	next meeting 9-16-21 3:30P
<b>North West Valley</b>	Abel Young	
<b>Pima CountyCoPT</b>	Sam Klein	Cancelled August meeting, next meeting is on Sept 13 from 3:30-5. Erica McFadden from the ADDPC will present on Self-Advocacy.
<b>Pinal County Transition Consortium</b>	Betty Schoen/Susan Voirol	meet every 2nd Weds of the month, 9 to noon
<b>Tuba City</b>	Betty Schoen	Sent email to Tribal VR and SpEd directors 8-23-21, no response
<b>Yavapai</b>	Susan Voirol/Abel Young	not active
PENDING LOCPT's		
Location	Potential Ambassador	Updates/Notes
<b>Verde Valley</b>		
<b>Yuma</b>	Abel/Jay	on hold until fall

## PARTNER UPDATES

AGENCY NAME	STAFF NAME	UPDATES
<b>RSK</b>		Training for Youth by youth: Sept 9th at 6pm  <a href="https://raisingspecialkids.org/event/by-and-for-youth-tools-and-tips-for-young-disability-self-advocates-3/">https://raisingspecialkids.org/event/by-and-for-youth-tools-and-tips-for-young-disability-self-advocates-3/</a>
<b>Diverse Ability Incorporated</b>		

<b>ADE/ESS</b>	Lauren/Sam/Becky	• Secondary Transition PD Flyer
<b>DDD</b>		
<b>VR</b>		
<b>DCS</b>		
<b>ArizOTA</b>		
<b>AHCCCS</b>	Chy Porter	
<b>Navajo Nation</b>		
<b>Youth Advisor</b>		
<b>Deer Valley Unified</b>		
<b>ASDB</b>		
<b>IHD</b>		
<b>Sonoran UCEDD</b>		
<b>AZ SILC</b>		