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**Regional Multicultural Advisory Committee
September 21, 2016 @ 2:00pm-4:00 pm (Monthly 3rd Wednesday)
Meeting Minutes**

PRESENT: Kimberly Backey, Liz Haley, Neville Morris, Naquille Curtis, Vicki McCarthy, Pete Hill, Johanna Ambrose, Tia Lewis, Patti Podkulski, Frances Priester-Moss

- Introductions: New this meeting were Curtis Naquille who interns at Lakeshore Behavioral Health and was recommended by Chris Lunsford and Kimberly Backey from Millennium Collaborative Care.
- Reviewed approved minutes from August meeting and follow up action items.

- **Updates:**

Simulation workgroup update (Johanna): The workgroup consists of a few core RMAC members who have been in the process of gathering logistical information and shared some ideas with the group. Details were forwarded to all by email prior to meeting.

2016 Journey Awards Nominations (Due Oct 14).

There will be six new State Multicultural Advisory committee members selected Dec.12. A few people from WNY RMAC have applied and will be informed after that date.

VOICE- Buffalo public meeting 9/8: reducing jail population by 50% including mentally ill prisoners - Financial education project

Poverty research project Center of Excellence for Cultural Competence

NY System of Care Grant for TTT parents to train other parents in cultural competence September 26th through March 3rd, 2017 in Syracuse.

- **NEXT Meeting:** **November 16th 2-4pm (October canceled)**
 Location: WNY Field Office 737 Delaware Ave Buffalo, NY
 Agenda: 1. Explore Bureau of Cultural Competency website
 2. Update plans on Poverty simulation
 3. Create Vision/ Mission statement