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"Where families are families and not 'cases'!"

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Members present: Tricia Bassing, Meghan McGrane, Mike Mackey, Greta Rosenzweig, Theresa Werner

Staff/Others present: Sharon Minter, Jasmine Chapman, PJ Gingery, Richard Orah, Carla Oliver

Meeting called to order at 2:00pm by T. Bassing
Quorum present.

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Public Comments: No requests to make public comments received.

III. Minutes of the March 22, 2023 meeting reviewed. Motion to accept minutes made by M. Mackey, seconded by M. McGrane. No additional discussion. Motion passed.

IV. Fiscal Reporting & Program Review

- **Finance Reports** – Presented by R. Orah. CSA FY23 allocation is \$8.4M. YTD expenditures are \$4.3M with 45% of the allocation currently spent. YTD local match for expenditures is \$2.2M. YTD refunds to CSA are \$22K. FY23 expenditures billed to Medicaid, through March 2023, are \$305K. YTD local match for Medicaid expenditures is \$152K. YTD expenditures billed to IV-E are \$483K with no local match required.
- **CSA Reports** – Presented by J. Chapman and PJ Gingery. FY23 IEP Wrap allocation is \$78,838 with \$8K encumbered to date. FY23 Protected funds allocation is \$201,836 with \$188K encumbered thus far. YTD Protected funding expenditures are \$63K.
 - FAPT continued to hear children/youth requests every week utilizing the MS Teams virtual platform. Any technical issues encountered were effectively managed. During the month of March, the FAPT team reviewed 25 children/youth requests as follows: 17-Foster Care, 2-Foster Care Prevention, 5-Congregate Care [4 for Parental Agreements, 1 for a Foster Care placement] and 1-Protected (Non-Mandated) Funding.
 - Congregate care detail: residential facility placements currently at 12 (8-Parental Agreement & 4-Child Welfare youth, of which one is for a group home placement.)

V. Discussion Items

A. Time-to-Service Survey & Tracking Results

- During the reporting period of February 1 – March 28, 2023, 11 children/youth requests were tracked.
- The majority of requests tracked were for Child Welfare and there was also one Private Day student request.
- No surprises in the results as all FAPT requests were accommodated without delay.
- All services were initiated within a reasonable time of funding approval.

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B. PSSF Renewal

- Grant renewal process is currently underway.
- One change being considered, with regard to managing these funds, includes having the Chief of Family Systems be involved with monitoring funding availability and providing additional oversight.

C. 2023 Service Gap Survey

- Annual survey request from the state Office of Children's Services (OCS) to report on service gaps and planning within our locality. This year's survey is the long form as opposed to last year's update.
- Members are asked to review the summation of our previous survey submissions, put together by T. Bassing, and to meet with their respective team members to solicit input for this year's survey.
- The survey is due into OCS by COB on June 2, 2023.
- At the May ACPMT meeting the team will have a robust conversation about the top areas of consensus around service gaps, the populations affected by the gaps and what barriers, if any, exist to bringing the needed services into existence.

D. Status Updates

- Children & Youth Community Plan (CYCP)
 - May is "Mental Health Awareness Month."
 - The scorecard will be coming out and will focus on the efforts in the area of mental health.
 - A variety of activities are planned for the month.
 - The Commission on Youth is planning a retreat, scheduled for June, with plans to utilize the scorecard as a point of focus and to have cross-agency discussions around outreach. One of the goals of the retreat is to form an outreach partnership.
- Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM)
 - In the wake of the VA Beach school shooting of a teacher by an elementary school student, a meeting was held with various partners to discuss what, if anything, was currently being done in our community about and strategies for addressing and preventing gun violence by young children.
 - M. Mackey informed the group that he is involved in some statewide conversations around information sharing.
- Family First Initiative
 - S. Minter informed the group that the state-issued template for evidence-based services is being added to the CSA contracts as an addendum.
 - The addendum will accompany each contract that goes out for renewal and require all evidence-based service providers to sign and return the document along with their CSA contract.
 - The IV-E check-in meetings between Child Welfare, CSA and Finance are on-going with the group currently exploring ways to streamline the process of incorporating FAPT consultation for eligible children and youth.
- Racial and Social Equity Initiatives
 - Child Welfare recently facilitated a two-day Groundwater Analysis training with many of its system partners. This was a follow-up meeting to the March meeting wherein the Child Welfare strategic plan was shared.
 - Child Welfare also started conversations with the Judges to discuss their racial equity work.
 - C. Oliver reminded the group to remain conscious of the language used when discussing children, youth, and families with whom we work.

VI. Adjournment: With no further items to be discussed, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:06pm.