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

May 24, 2023 - Meeting Minutes

Members present: Tricia Bassing, Meghan McGrane, Linda Odell, Greta Rosenzweig, Theresa Werner

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

Meeting called to order at 2:07pm by T. Bassing
Quorum present.

- I. Welcome and Introductions** – welcome to L. Odell who is serving as designee for M. Mackey of the Court Service Unit.
- II. Public Comments:** No requests to make public comments received.
- III. Minutes** of the April 26, 2023 meeting reviewed. Motion to accept minutes made by M. McGrane, seconded by G. Rosenzweig. 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 \$4.9M with 50% of the allocation currently spent. YTD local match for expenditures is \$2.5M. YTD refunds to CSA are \$23K. FY23 expenditures billed to Medicaid through April are not yet available. YTD expenditures billed to IV-E are \$542K with no local match required. CSA expenditures for FY23 will continue to be paid through 9/30/23.
 - **CSA Reports** – Presented by J. Chapman and PJ Gingery. FY23 IEP Wrap allocation is \$78,838 with \$10K encumbered to date. FY23 Protected funds allocation is \$201,836 with \$163K encumbered thus far. YTD Protected funding expenditures are \$78K.
 - 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 April, the FAPT team reviewed 26 children/youth requests as follows: 14-Foster Care, 1-Foster Care Prevention, 6-Congregate Care [5 for Parental Agreements, 1 for a Foster Care placement] and 5-Protected (Non-Mandated) Funding.
 - Congregate care detail: residential facility placements currently total 10 (6-Parental Agreement & 4-Child Welfare youth, of which one is for a group home placement.)
- V. Discussion Items**
 - A. CSA State Conference – Oct. 16-18, 2023 in Roanoke, VA**
 - S. Minter reminded the group that conference registration and lodging is now open. Members are encouraged to make lodging reservations sooner rather than later if desiring to stay at the conference location.

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B. 2023 Service Gap Survey Finalization

- Team discussion around some top areas of service gaps for children and youth to include substance abuse, mental health, and crisis intervention. Specialized services are needed within each of these areas.
- T. Bassing shared that the regional CSBs are collaborating with a facility in Baltimore that will, hopefully, be re-opened and to which some of our youth may be able to be admitted in order to address some of the more specialized substance abuse needs. This option may not require CSA funding.
- Discussion about the need for the newly launched evidence-based services to be available in other languages besides English and for those services to be culturally relevant.
- Also discussed including systemic coordination as a barrier to bringing about the needed services.
- T. Bassing will compile the information and send it to the team for final review before the CSA office electronically submits the information to the state by June 2, 2023.

C. Status Updates

- Children & Youth Community Plan (CYCP)
 - The scorecard on youth mental health is still being worked on and will, hopefully, be released before the end of the month.
- Family First Initiative
 - S. Minter informed the group that the state recently announced the availability of five new evidence-based services to accompany the existing three already being used.

VI. Adjournment: With no further items to be discussed, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:31pm.