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## OVERSIGHT GROUP

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## LARIMER COUNTY INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT GROUP MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 10, 2019

Location: Larimer County Court House, Carter Lake Room, Fort Collins, CO Members Present: Marcy DiBenedetto, Linda Ott, Averil Strand, Thad Paul, Greg Ketchum, Chris Gastelle, Josi McCauley, Bob Bauman, Michael Ruttenberg, Andy Boesenecker, Louisa Wren, Darcie Votipka

**Members Absent:** Michael Allen, Cyndi Dodds, Charlie Carter, Emily Humphrey, Maria Campos, Michelle Brinegar

**Other Members Present:** Sue Statz, Greg Otte, Steve Johnson, Matthew Zehe, Vanessa Fewell, Kimberly Rino, Ali Wright

Guests Present: Todd Noteboom

Recorder: Deb Bowen

- I. Call to order by Averil Strand at 11:35 AM
- II. Welcome and Introductions
  - Introductions were made around the table.
- III. Review and approval of minutes from December 13, 2018. *Motion to approve minutes by Greg Ketchum and seconded by Thad Paul. All in favor, motion passed, minutes approved.*
- IV. Budget Review Sue Statz
  - Budget attached. Additional expenses could be coming in as coaching expenses are high and this line item could be over budget. FAPT works on the fiscal year and if its budget is over it will impact our future year's budgets. A small workgroup will meet soon to discuss solutions for decreasing FAPT referrals. Ali Wright reported that quite a few cases were closed last month. Hopefully a shift is coming.
  - The annual forecast budget sheet will be brought in monthly for review. Normally it is reviewed in July, the beginning of the fiscal year.
  - A discussion was held on how we manage requests from the community on funding new programs. We are not a granting board and our funds are used for existing defined services we currently have and want to maintain. A provider may approach Larimer County Dept. of Human Services (Catherine Weaver) for any service we currently provide with a recommendation for a new provider/vendor. There is a Request for Proposal (RFP) process if we are interested in funding any new programs we have researched.
  - A motion was made to stay the course for our board and not allow pitches from providers since we are not a funding entity. If we have a need to fill a gap in our





community services offered, we will start the RFP process. All in favor. Motion passed.

- V. Family Assessment Planning Team (FAPT) Program Presentation Ali Wright
  - Ali introduced Todd Noteboom, a FAPT Family Advocate from The Matthews House. Todd has been at The Matthews House for 5 years and is new to FAPT since June of 2018. Todd serves as a go-between between families and FAPT and meets with the family prior to the FAPT meeting. He has an opportunity to assess what services the family has tried in the past and helps set goals for the next 6-12 months. He also helps represent the family with FAPT so they can provide the best services available. He is heavily involved with the families, so he is their partner and it makes the family feel more comfortable.
  - Ali presented on the timeline for a FAPT case. When a referral comes in the intake happens quickly but the first FAPT meeting may be about 2 months later. Services are set up, an assessment is provided, and services are then provided. FAPT may meet with the family quarterly to review progress but offers support throughout. When the case is closed the family may still connect with FAPT for up to 3 months. FAPT helps them connect with community services and is a true life line to the family. The Family Advocates help link families to community resources to sustain their families.
  - Ali predicted excessive referrals at about 3 a week. The referrals are responded to by the urgency of the referral. FAPT would like to be at the 75-80 caseload mark. Referrals are spread out and not from one agency.
- VI. Update for CSU Phase II Research Presentation Thad Paul
  - The CSU Phase II Research Project is the presentation and evaluation of our annual Core Service outcome measures and processes for LCIOG. It is a rolling 4-year data evaluation by service type and service type outcomes. Since we included trauma outcomes in our data it changed how we review the services. This year we may do a cost by service analysis by reviewing the same outcomes but looking at the cost of each outcome. The cost per outcome could inform our budget decisions.
  - The detention children may be scraped out of the data. If it's a Juvenile Delinquent case, it's most likely going to be a high-risk case and the Colorado Juvenile Risk Assessment (CJRA) test results will be used.
  - Dr. Marc Winokur of CSU will start his work for the analysis, and we'll plan for a presentation date soon.
  - If anyone wants to review last year's Phase II Core Services Analysis Report, please let Deb Bowen <u>dbowen@larimer.org</u> know and she'll send it to you.
- VII. Resignation of Greg Ketchum Next Steps to Fill the Vacancy Thad Paul
  - The board will need to fill Greg's vacancy. Please let Deb Bowen know if you have an individual interested in being a member of the general public for our board. She will send out the application to those interested and then we can make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners to fill the vacant position.
  - Averil Strand and other board members expressed their gratitude to Greg and his commitment to the children in our community and to our LCIOG board.
  - Barbara Dean is no longer employed with Crossroads Safehouse. Since she was the board's Domestic Violence representative, we have reached out to Crossroads with a request to have another member of their organization join us.



## VIII. DHS Visit from Japan, February 5 – Thad Paul

- Larimer DHS would like to invite any of our LCIOG members to participate in a lunch discussion with our visitor from Japan, a Child Welfare Administrator and her translator, that is interested in prevention services being offered by our department and community partners. The lunch will be held on February 5, 2019 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM at Larimer DHS, 2573 Midpoint Dr., Suite 108, Room 124, Fort Collins, CO 80525
- Please let Deb Bowen know if you are interested in attending.
- IX. Medicaid Access Discussion Vanessa Fewell and Kimberly Rino
  - Kimberly Rino will take over these discussions and quarterly updates in the future. This discussion will serve as this quarter's update.
  - Rocky Mountain Health Plans, our Regional Accountable Entity (RAE), continues to work towards helping our Medicaid providers access help with billing codes. Providers need help with billing and gaining payment for their services. If additional help is needed providers may contact Louisa Wren Louisa.Wren@rmhp.org or Meg Taylor Meg.Taylor@rmhp.org directly to get pointed in the right direction. There is a statewide problem of claims not being paid quickly but RAEs are helping immensely.
  - Services can be billed for behavioral health at primary care offices and its integrated services. Our regional RAE lets independent providers in to bill for reimbursable services.
  - All data will be available for behavioral health needs going forward.
  - If we hear of any Medicaid providers having problems we can suggest they
    participate in the monthly phone calls hosted by the RAE (Meg Taylor
    <u>Meg.Taylor@rmhp.org</u>) to help expand access and resources for care
    coordinators.
- X. Old Business
  - None
- XI. New Business
  - Commissioner Steve Johnson asked if there would be any interest from our board members to participate in the Citizen Review Panel/Board for the Larimer County Department of Human Services (LCDHS). This advisory panel reviews and makes recommendations concerning grievances of alleged inappropriate conduct by LCDHS personnel in the performance of their duties under the Children's Code when the internal resolution process has not been successful.
  - The panel consists of an independent group of 4 members but needs 3 more volunteers to help serve and bring the total number to 5 7 members. The time commitment would be very low. Candidates should not have any bias toward LCDHS. It's helpful to have familiarity with our work. Please share this request with anyone you may know that would be interested or let Commissioner Johnson know. An online application can be found on <u>www.Larimer.org</u>, Board of County Commissioners, Boards and Commissions tab, Citizen Review Panel.
  - Bob Bauman reported that he attended the Juvenile Planning Session where the proposed bed reductions for our district were discussed. He also reported that a push-back letter was sent from that group to Legislators before they vote for new legislation decreasing beds.



- Sue Statz asked if we would like Marcy DiBenedetto, our Youth Advocate, to bring in some youth next month to talk about their perspective and experiences with child welfare and other juvenile systems. They were well accepted the last time they presented to us so we would welcome them back. We all agreed that February would be our next presentation by youth.
  - Magistrate Zehe reminded us to be conscious of how we talk and the language we use. We should be more aware and not identify youth in a negative way as the do not identify themselves that way. Try to use a label and not profiling. Instead of profiling a youth as delinquent say a delinquent act was committed. Our language needs to be reformed across the board.
- Larimer DHS would like to invite any LCIOG members or your staff to participate in a presentation to Broomfield County Dept. of Human Services Child Welfare on Larimer's philosophy on Congregate Care. The date is February 19 from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Larimer County Department of Human Services, 2573 Midpoint Dr., Suite 108, Room 124, Fort Collins, CO 80525
  - A planning meeting prior to February 19 will be scheduled. Larimer DHS is asking for volunteers from Probation (supervisor or line staff), District Attorney's office, Magistrate or any others that want to share. Deb Bowen will send an email request for volunteers soon.

Adjourn 12:55 PM Minutes Submitted by Deb Bowen

Next LCIOG Meeting February 14, 2019 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Larimer County Court House 200 West Oak Street Carter Lake Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Fort Collins, CO 80521



LCIOG BUDGET/EXPENDITURES			DHS	
FY19	HB1451	1451 EXP	Covered	Total
		YEAR TO	Year to	
	FY19	DATE	Date	Projected
		thru Nov.	thru Nov.	
Program/Service - FAPT	BUDGET	2018	2018	Expenditures
Coaches - FAPT	\$175,000	\$120,720		\$241,440
20% Coordinator Salary - FAPT	\$23,000	\$10,435		\$20,870
Family Advocates - FAPT Home Based -	\$102,900	\$58 <i>,</i> 895		\$102,900
(FFT/MST/FCC/SAFY/IFT)	\$100,000	\$74,102		\$148,204
Specialized Services (DD, Trumpet, Mosaic)	\$32,000	\$4,000		\$22,000
Day Treatment	\$15,000	\$5 <i>,</i> 523		\$11,046
Hard Service Funding (Rent, Gas, Trans, Food)	\$50,000	\$31,360		\$62,720
Sub Total FAPT	\$497,900	\$305,035	\$0	\$609,180
Program -				
Platte Valley Therapist	\$5 <i>,</i> 845	\$0		\$5,845
Trauma Informed Care LCIRC (Offense Specific	\$0			\$0
Program)	\$79,605	\$16,481		\$32,962
Prevention Plus Pathways	\$170,750	\$77,850		\$170,750
, School Truancy Programs	\$42,111	\$17,585		\$42,111
Sub Total Program	\$298,311	\$111,916	\$0	\$251,668
Total	\$796,211	\$416,951	\$0	\$860,848

Updated 1/09/2019

FY'19 YTD Expenditures thru Dec.