LARIMER COUNTY | Larimer County Interagency Oversight Group

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Date: August 13, 2026
Time: 3pm-430pm
Location: 200 W. Oak St. Fort Collins

INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT GROUP MINUTES

a. Attendees: Kari Snelson, Andrea Strayer, Shannon Reiff, Troy Bowman, Frank Diaz, Linda Connors, Greg Otte, Kayla Hendrickson, Elizabeth Town, Katie Heckman, Michele Christensen, Andrea Clement Johnson, Patti Virden, Jenn Chadwick Conway, Averil Strand, Thad Paul, Sarah Olson, Paul Bokor

1. Introductions: Agency Updates & Announcements
    a. Tough as Mother has a new Facilitator for the online support group (flier attached to notes)
    b. Heather Siegel will be the new judicial member
    c. Thompson has their "FACE Center" at the old Mary Blair Elementary location which offers resources such as food or clothing, will have a partnership with a health partner and are looking for partners that may want to hold services there in the evenings. Will hold a day elementary treatment center. All liaisons will be housed in this building.
    d. Child Youth and Families has reintroduced Adult Protection back into the division
2. Review of Minutes from May 14, 2026, meeting
3. Update on Coordinator Position
    a. There is another round of hiring coming up, the position is not filled yet.
4. New Meeting Schedule
    a. Meetings will be quarterly moving forward. In person is preferred but all meetings will have a virtual option
5. Subcommittee Brainstorm
    a. Jefferson County Subgroups:
        i. Child Welfare
        ii. Health/Mental Health
        iii. Education
        iv. Juvenile Justice
        v. Housing
        vi. Human Trafficking
    b. Larimer Identified Subcommittees:
        i. Intersection of Family Well-Being and Education
        ii. Crossover with Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare
        iii. Each of the mandated partners should have a representative in each of the subcommittees. The LCIOG rep is responsible for identifying which staff member is most appropriate for this role. Non- mandated partners have the option to participate in subcommittees as appropriate.
        iv. Please complete the spreadsheet by 9/15.
6. Issues we are facing in Larimer County:
    a. DV, substance use, mental health, housing, transportation, parents struggling to hold kids accountable, kids don't see the value of education, chronic absenteeism, beyond control of parent issues.
    b. Thompson and Poudre School Districts report that truancy rates have been improving.

7. Budget Report out
    a. New Allocation: $250,261
    b. Carry Over: $303,872
    c. Anticipated and Cost and Fringe Benefits for the CMP Coordinator: $100,000
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Adjourn

Next meeting will be November 12, 2026 3pm-430pm at 860 E 29th St, Loveland, CO 80538

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Definitions

Family Setting:

Trial Home Visit: A child in DHS custody, living away from their parent, is transitioning home. Prior to the trial home visit, criteria and expectations for the visit are defined and submitted to the court.

Kinship Care: A child is **not** in the custody of the Department and is in the care of relatives or friends of the family.

Kinship Foster Care: A child is in DHS custody and is placed with a relative or family member that has been certified, or is in the process of being certified, by the Department.

County Foster Care: The child is in DHS custody and is placed in a Larimer County licensed foster home. The caregivers are not related to the child.

Private Foster Care: The child is placed in a foster home that is licensed by a Child Placement Agency (CPA). That CPA provides oversight and monitoring of the home.

Congregate Care:

Group Home: home-like setting, in which a number of unrelated children live for varying periods of time with a single set of house parents,

Group Center: placement where a number of unrelated children live for varying periods of time with a rotating staff of trained caregivers.

Residential Childcare Facility (RCCF): facility that provides 24-hour care, with rotating staff coverage.

Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF): non-hospital facility offering intensive inpatient services

Psychiatric Hospital: Hospitalization services for youth that are displaying mental health concerns, threatening to self-harm or may pose a risk to the safety of others.

Other:

Independent Living: Adolescent who is in DHS custody and is being assisted to become independent. They may be living in their own apartment or sharing housing with another individual or family.

Run Away: A child or adolescent that is in DHS custody and has left the home of their caregiver without consent, and their whereabout is unknown.

Larimer County ADP* by Placement Type	Jan. '25	Feb. '25	Mar. '25	Apr. '25	May '25	June '25	July '25	Aug '25	Sept '25	Oct '25	Nov. '25	Dec.'25	Jan. '26	Feb. '26
Family Setting														
Kinship Care -Not in DHS Cust	66	59	65	70	63	45	39	29	28	20	22	18	11	14
Trial Home Visit	20	20	18	14	13	15	14	15	12	8	7	9	17	12
Non Certified Kin - DHS Cust.	43	56	57	59	31	44	47	46	36	36	31	29	34	41
Certif. Kin - DHS Custody	49	37	32	31	62	62	63	67	84	87	83	77	78	81
County Foster Care	35	42	39	39	40	39	33	34	33	35	33	31	22	22
Private Foster Care	28	29	30	29	29	27	29	25	27	29	32	34	32	28
Therapeutic/Treatment Foster	6	5	5	3	3	4	8	7	7	7	8	8	7	7
Sub Total	**247**	**248**	**246**	**245**	**241**	**236**	**233**	**223**	**227**	**222**	**216**	**206**	**201**	**205**
Congregate Care														
Group Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Group Center	3	2	2	2	3	4	4	5	5	3	3	3	3	2
QRTP/Residential	3	5	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3
Psych Residential/Sub Tx.	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Psych Hospital	3	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	4	4	5	5	4
Sub Total	**10**	**10**	**9**	**9**	**10**	**12**	**10**	**11**	**11**	**10**	**11**	**11**	**11**	**10**
Other														
FYiT/Independent Living	28	29	28	27	28	30	31	30	30	29	29	35	36	41
Run Away	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
DHS Total	**285**	**287**	**283**	**281**	**279**	**280**	**276**	**264**	**269**	**261**	**257**	**252**	**248**	**256**
CYDC (Colorado Youth Deten. Continuum)														
Detention (ADP)	10	8	8	8	6	7	7	4	6	6	7	6	6	
New Detent. Admissions	15	7	13	10	7	12	4	5	9	15	13	3	11	
Commitment (ADP)	13	13	13	13	14	12	12	11	11	14	14	14	12	
New Commitments	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	
Medicaid														
Residential	0	2	0	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric	11	15	16	20	19	11	2	8	13	5	30	8	8	9

Key

*ADP = Average Daily Population

**Kinship Care = Child in the home of Kin and not in Custody of DHS

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