

## LARIMER COUNTY INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT GROUP

**Date:** August 13, 2020  
**Time:** 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM  
**Location:** Meeting held virtually via Zoom platform  
**Contact:** Deb Bowen, [dbowen@larimer.org](mailto:dbowen@larimer.org)

### Minutes

**Date:** August 13, 2020

**Location:** Virtual Meeting held via Zoom

**Members Present via Zoom Platform:** Averil Strand, Linda Ott, Chris Gastelle, Matthew Zehe, Thad Paul, Bob Percifield, Andrew Boesenecker, Mark Burke, Mark Brosal – proxy for Maria Campos, Heather Dolan – proxy for Daniel Darting, Louisa Wren – proxy for Meg Taylor, Cyndi Dodds, Pat Carney, Michele Christensen, Michelle Brinegar, Ruben Chacon

**Members Participating by Phone:** all virtual participation

**Members Absent:** Josie McCauley, Charlie Carter, Michael Ruttenberg

**Other Non-Voting Members Present:** Sue Statz, Anthony Silverman, Judy Rodriguez, Deb DeLuca-Forzley, Ali Wright, Mary Ward, Jan James, Greg Otte

**Guests Present:** Vanessa Bullock, Sarah Olson, Pam Jones, Andrea Clement-Johnson, Dixie Vogel, Mario Gonzalez, Jo McLavey

**Recorder:** Deb Bowen

- I. Call to Order by Averil Strand at 11:35 AM
- II. Welcome and Introductions
  - Introductions were made between participants.
  - Welcome Sarah Olson, Colorado Youth Detention Continuum (CYDC) Coordinator. Sarah replaces David Blake as our board representative for CYDC.
  - Welcome Pam Jones, Executive Director, Crossroads Safe House. Pam replaces Lisa Poppaw as our Domestic Violence Partner for the board.
  - Welcome Andrea Clement-Johnson, Larimer County's Health and Environment Health Promo Services Director, as the replacement for the Health and Environment representative for the board effective September after Averil Strand's retirement from Health and Environment Dept.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes from July 9, 2020
  - *A motion for approval was made by Christopher Gastell and seconded by Cyndi Dodds. Motion approved and passed.*
- IV. Community Collaboration Grant – Thad Paul, Anthony Silverman, Deb DeLuca-Forzley
  - Thad Paul, Anthony Silverman and Deb DeLuca-Forzley are always open to separate conversations about the grant if anyone has questions. We were one of 9 grantees accepted nationally for this five-year grant. Our goal is to

have better community collaboration to decrease abuse and neglect and prevent children from entering the child welfare system.

- Deb DeLuca-Forzley and Anthony Silverman are the coordinators for the grant. The first year has been the planning stage. Year 2 starts in October and includes the three Navigators/Case Managers. Their work will continue through year 5. The navigators will help coordinate services through agencies. Larimer County is resource rich in our communities.
- Research is being done by CSU and we are exploring how to access data from agencies to collaborate services for families. The Community Collaboration Team (CCT) is the implementation team for the grant and includes staff from various agencies to get us started. LCIOG is the advisory board to this grant. We are waiting on the research and implementation plans to be approved by the Feds.
- We have two areas/locations identified for the highest needs of child welfare in the county. One in Loveland and one in Fort Collins. CCT helped navigate these regions. The goal is to start boots on the ground with the navigators in these communities. Areas represented in Google Maps:  
<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?mid=1YDNmAT0xYrP8LryRoizr rb92pUCItOan&ll=40.46580871648176%2C-105.09529185&z=12>
- Anthony reported the maps show where are focus is, but we will serve families near those areas to build local coalitions and a site-based report. Deb DeLuca-Forzley reported it is helpful to identify families in these regions. While working within your agencies be mindful that we are offering prevention work in these areas. Something to keep in mind is how COVID is impacting our schools? There are great coalitions in the Poudre School District to help families with educational needs. The Boys & Girls Club is also collaborating.

V. Review of and Discussion of Placement Data (attached) – Sue Statz

- Sue Statz discussed the tracking and review of children in our system that are in out-of-home care, tracking where they are placed when they are not home. Our goal is to keep children out of congregate care settings and minimize the amount of time spent here and step down to a lower level.
- Sue Statz collects and provides information month to month about where children are placed from family like settings to more restricted levels of care. Our numbers are broad with ages 0 – 18. The LCIOG Board targets children that are in residential care by decreasing their stay in these settings. This is one of our LCIOG/Collaborative Management Program (CMP) goals. The savings we attain help us keep children at home.
- There is a one-month lag on the data from Colorado Youth Detention Continuum (CYDC).
- There is new information reported at the bottom of the sheet on how COVID may have affected referrals and screen-ins these last few months.
- Mary Ward reported that the State website has a need for mandated reporting training. Larimer County Department of Human Services (LCDHS) has supervisors that go out into the community to offer training for mandated reporters.

VI. Budget Review (attached) – Sue Statz

- Sue Statz reported on the LCIOG budget for actual expenditures for the fiscal last year. The first column is the approved budget and the last column is the actual expenditures for the fiscal year. The third column is the anticipated

fiscal budget for reporting through June 2021. Expenditures were being tracked differently for covered expenses versus what our actual expenditures were.

- The projected LCIOG budget FY20-24 is attached. We monitor state funding to determine what is being used so we can close out with additional state funding. The LCIOG Budget committee decreased some of the service items for providers for FY21 but those cuts are not effective until September 1, 2020 as notification needed to be sent to the affected providers. Thad Paul is available to have one-on-one conversations with any new members about the LCIOG budget. The budget is looking good through 2024.

VII. Family Assessment Planning Team (FAPT) Year End Recap – Ali Wright

- Ali Wright, FAPT Coordinator, reported it had been a good year for FAPT. They served 140 participants in the last fiscal year and had 269 meetings for families. There are currently 78 families open to FAPT but that will change as new referrals come in. FAPT has been a virtual team since mid-March and will be for the foreseeable future. Families are connecting smoothly, and more professionals are attending virtually.
- Not many differences from Pre-COVID to the past. Most families served have assistance or are essential workers so the FAPT budget has not been affected.
- Children and parents are having anxiety about school starting. Higher needs children increase a family's anxiety and may ask for residential care. How does FAPT support around that? Will watch trends. FAPT is helping with educational needs via supplies, internet access, etc.
- There is a slight uptick in domestic violence within families. Triaging around domestic violence is impacting families. There is increased desire for in home services through FAPT.
- FAPT has been in existence for 11 years and was set up/copied from a model in Hampton, Virginia to keep children out of residential care. Their program has a big impact on Larimer County's program. Our goal is to have zero children in residential care. FAPT's goals for the upcoming year are to continue to serve the population FAPT was set up to serve and how to best help children and families so they do not need FAPT services anymore.
- Ali would like to have a light framework to use for FAPT. What does success look like and how do we get there and how progress is happening?
- The Probation Department appreciates Ali and FAPT do to help children and families in our systems.
- Pam Jones mentioned it is important to understand each agency's mission and goal setting. G compassion and when they move on a place for them to go. Thanks to Ali and FAPT for their work.

VIII. LCIOG Board Positions – All

- Averil Strand will be retiring from Larimer County Health and Environment (HAE) in September and Andrea Clement-Johnson will take her place as the LCIOG HAE representative on the LCIOG board.
- Averil Strand will continue on as a Community Member for the LCIOG board. She will bring a different perspective as a community member and value to our board as she is tapped into the community.
- The board is in support of this change and *a motion by Chris Gastelle to acknowledge Averil Strand's commitment to our board and accept her as our new community member. Averil Strand will maintain her co-chair position until we transition. Motion seconded by Michelle Brinegar. All in favor. Motion*

*passed.* Thanks to Averil for her commitment to our board and our community.

- IX. Subcommittee to Review Out of Home Placements Update – Cyndi Dodds
- This subcommittee addresses the trauma and autistic needs of children and youth.
  - Cyndi Dodds reported there are limited options for out-of-home congregate care and serving families to keep children within their home in the community. Short term respite is needed for these children and families. The subcommittee hopes to strengthen service providers with knowledge and resources for helping families with trauma and autism.
  - Support is needed for court with court navigation and in-home services.
  - Support could come from the Rewiring Project with Tennyson Center. Thad Paul has asked The Matthews House to help support through the family to family program. These needs were included as our needs into a grant proposal to the Rewiring Project.
  - Ali Wright offered to help with training and supports for children in the autism world.
  - Louisa Wren said there are upcoming trainings through the Regional Accountable Entity (RAE) for Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities children and adults. Cyndi Dodds will forward this information from Louisa to Deb Bowen for sharing.
  - Ali Wright will send contact information for providers that offer autism services.
- X. Old Business
- Rewiring Program. The Safe Families Program is coming to Larimer County. This program is for respite host homes. We should know the status by October. Detention Alternative Support Homes (DASH) homes too. An update will be made next month. These programs have been approved through The Tennyson Center and the Rewiring Program.
- XI. New Business – None.
- XII. Adjourn
- *Motion to Adjourn was made by Averil Strand and seconded by Cyndi Dodds. Motion accepted and approved.*
  - Adjourned 1:00 PM

**Next Meeting:**  
September 10, 2020  
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM  
Zoom Meeting

FY 2020 Year End

<b>LCIOG BUDGET/EXPENDITURES FY20</b>	HB1451	1451 EXP	DHS Covered	Total
	FY20	YEAR TO DATE	Year to Date	Actual
	<b>Program/Service - FAPT</b>	thru June 2020	thru June 2020	Expenditures
	BUDGET			
Coaches - FAPT	\$162,750	\$0	\$173,580	\$173,580
20% Coordinator Salary - FAPT	\$21,390	\$0	\$31,765	\$31,765
Family Advocates - FAPT	\$95,697	\$34,567	\$76,035	\$110,602
Home Based - (FFT/MST/FCC/SAFY/IFT)	\$93,000	\$160	\$131,640	\$131,800
Specialized Services (DD, Trumpet, Mosaic)	\$29,760	\$6,231	\$25,785	\$32,016
Day Treatment	\$13,950	\$1,725	\$560	\$2,285
Hard Service Funding (Rent, Gas, Transportation, food)	\$46,500	\$2,670	\$33,182	\$35,852
<b>Sub Total FAPT</b>	<b>\$463,047</b>	<b>\$45,353</b>	<b>\$472,547</b>	<b>\$517,900</b>
<b>Program -</b>				
Platte Valley Therapist	\$5,436	\$2,718		\$2,718
Trauma Informed Care LCIRC (Offense Specific Program)	\$74,033	\$21,022		\$21,022
Prevention Plus Pathways	\$158,798	\$0	\$130,112	\$130,112
School Truancy Programs	\$39,163	\$0	\$40,211	\$40,211
<b>Sub Total Program</b>	<b>\$277,430</b>	<b>\$23,740</b>	<b>\$170,323</b>	<b>\$194,063</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$740,477</b>	<b>\$69,093</b>	<b>\$642,870</b>	<b>\$711,963</b>
updated 8/7/20				
RCCF Savings \$254,091				

LCIOG Forecast of Funding FY20 - FY24

6/1/2020

	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
<b>Actual</b>					
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$216,894	\$373,477	\$537,108	\$437,411	\$337,714
<b>State 30% for CMP Counties</b>	\$0	\$263,328	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Meaningful Minimum</b>	\$30,922	\$30,922	\$30,922	\$30,922	\$30,922
<b>HB 1451 Outcomes Dollars</b>	\$194,754	\$149,619	\$149,619	\$149,619	\$149,619
<b>Total Cash Available</b>	\$442,570	\$817,346	\$717,649	\$617,952	\$518,255
<b>Programs To be Funded</b>	\$711,963	\$534,329	\$534,329	\$534,329	\$534,330
<b>Sub Total</b>	(\$269,393)	\$283,017	\$183,320	\$83,623	(\$16,075)
<b>RCCF Savings (DHS Agreement)</b>	\$254,091	\$254,091	\$254,091	\$254,091	\$254,091
<b>Additional Coverage by DHS</b>	\$388,779	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Covered By LCDHS</b>	\$642,870	\$254,091	\$254,091	\$254,091	\$254,091
<b>Total Available for Carryover</b>	\$373,477	\$537,108	\$437,411	\$337,714	\$238,016

Larimer Peak Allocation - FY07  
 Allocation - FY17-18  
 Allocation - FY18-19  
 Allocation - FY '19-20

\$587,871.00  
 \$235,060.00  
 \$221,323.00  
 \$225,676.00

**Forecast Reflects**  
**FY ' 20 - Based on Projections**  
**FY '21 - 20% from projected spending FY20**

New State Funding is only 20%  
 cut

\$180,541

Larimer County ADP\* by Placement Type

	Jul 19	Aug 19	Sep 19	Oct 19	Nov 19	Dec 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	Mar 20	Apr 20	May 20	Jun 20	Jul 20
<b>Family Setting</b>													
Trial Home Visit	5	8	6	8	6	6	6	3	5	9	7	6	7
**Kinship Care	210	212	208	200	198	191	194	196	187	184	176	177	181
***Kin Foster Care	32	34	34	34	32	35	35	36	32	31	28	26	23
County Foster Care	89	86	88	87	89	90	89	83	86	87	92	92	87
Private Foster Care	26	29	29	30	28	27	27	28	28	26	26	26	24
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>322</b>
<b>Congregate Care</b>													
Group Home	4	5	5	6	6	5	3	2	4	3	2	2	2
Group Center	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
Residential	6	8	8	12	14	15	14	13	11	9	7	8	10
Psych Residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psych Hospital	4	1	2	3	4	4	4	2	2	2	3	2	3
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Other</b>													
Independent Living	2	2	1	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Run Away	2	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	1	2	2	1	1
<b>DHS Total</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>341</b>
Detention (ADP)	13	15	12	11	13	16	12	16	13	8	7	4	
New Detent. Admissions	28	21	18	25	28	23	30	28	15	5	14	11	
Commitment (ADP)	19	19	19	19	19	19	18	15	16	17	9	18	
New Commitments	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	4	3	1	
<b>Medicaid</b>													
Residential	0	0	0	3	3	0	4	2	3	1	2	2	6
Psychiatric	10	18	21	17	17	23	7	23	8	12	11	6	12

Key

\*ADP = Average Daily Population

\*\*Kinship Care = Child in the home of Kin and not in Custody of DHS Updated 8/10/2020

\*\*\* Kinship Foster Care = Child in home of Kin and in Custody of DHS

	<u>Apr'19</u>	<u>Apr'20</u>	<u>May'19</u>	<u>May'20</u>	<u>Jun'19</u>	<u>Jun'20</u>	<u>Jul'19</u>	<u>July'20</u>
# Referrals	669	306	599	293	420	312	456	343
# Screened In	185	89	152	103	132	125	146	137

## Definitions for Placement Type

### 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 Child Care 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 whereabouts is unknown.