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LARIMER COUNTY INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT GROUP

Date: October 8, 2020 Time: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Meeting held virtually via Zoom platform

Contact: Deb Bowen, dbowen@larimer.org

Minutes

Date: October 8, 2020

Location: Virtual Meeting held via Zoom

Members Present via Zoom Platform: Averil Strand, Linda Ott, Chris Gastelle, Matthew Zehe, Thad Paul, Mark Burke, Mark Brosal – proxy for Maria Campos, Louisa Wren – proxy for Meg Taylor, Pat Carney, Michele Christensen, Charlie Carter, Michael Ruttenberg, Ruben Chacon, Andrea Clement-Johnson, Pam Jones, Sarah Olson

Members Participating by Phone: all virtual participation

Members Absent: Josie McCauley, Heather Dolan proxy for Daniel Darling, Andrew Boesenecker,

Robert Percifield, Cyndi Dodds, Michelle Brinegar

Other Non-Voting Members Present: Sue Statz, Anthony Silverman, Ali Wright, Greg Otte, Violet

Willett

Guests Present: None

Recorder: Deb Bowen, via Zoom recording

- I. Call to Order by Averil Strand at 11:35 AM
- II. Welcome and Introductions
 - Introductions were made between participants.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes from August 13, 2020
 - A motion for approval was made by Thad Paul and seconded by Greg Otte. Motion approved and passed.
- IV. Community Collaboration Grant Thad Paul, Anthony Silverman
 - has been approved by the Feds. We are still waiting on the Research Plan to be approved for data collection. We will be in a pilot period for the grant from October December. We are capturing data, but it has not been approved yet. Our goal is to have better community collaboration to decrease abuse and neglect and prevent children from entering the child welfare system.
 - The geographic areas have been determined for two areas/locations identified for the highest needs of child welfare in the county. One in Loveland and one in Fort Collins and includes broader zip code areas in those locations. Areas represented in Google Maps:

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- Referral tracking and protective factor surveys will be collected, and the
 navigators will be guided by these to broaden the work with partner agencies
 to help guide services for families.
- Community Collaboration Team (CCT) members from two agencies will help pilot the protective factor surveys for families with CSU tracking the data. If families accept to be involved information will be shared with other agencies to determine where services are needed for our plan. Families then become the experts in their communities.
- One thing we found out in the World Cafes we hosted is that families are the experts, they have connection in their communities and want to be at the table when decisions are being made for services. There was a lot of value in going to their communities with the World Cafes.

V. School District and Other Updates

- Thompson School District. Charlie Carter reported that there are a lot of changes and many plans being made. The district remains flexible with all the changes.
- Poudre School District. Ruben Chacon reported that elementary children are now attending school with secondary school students and high school students starting back soon.
- Crossroads Safe House. Pam Jones reported that Crossroads has several children in residence. They are communicating with clients on how to stay safe within their communities with COVID protocols. They also recently had a flu shot clinic.
- VI. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Grant Update Thad Paul
 - This is the final year for the SAMHSA grant (The 7 County trauma work). This grant was instrumental in bringing on the Child Trauma and Resilience Assessment Center (CTRAC) at CSU to offer trauma assessments for children and training of providers for the 7 County consortium.
 - CTRAC may offer tailored trainings to our partners for how trauma impacts children and their parents. They are now creating resilience assessments for adults. (We will use the term "resilience" instead of trauma for these assessments.) These resilience assessments will be offered to parents of children that have been assessed. The assessments will help support consults.
 - LCIOG partners have access to education and growth potential through education offered by The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN).

VII. 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.

VIII. Budget Review (attached) – Sue Statz

- Sue Statz reported on the LCIOG budget for the expenditure for this fiscal year, July and August.
- Family Assessment Planning Team (FAPT) has been using more home-based services through the summer. When students start attending school again this expense will decrease. FAPT families have been asking for more Medicaid services and then asking FAPT to pick up funding for those services not covered by Medicaid. Ali Wright, FAPT Coordinator, is looking for funding for vital care and respite care for future needs. There was State funding but as it ends families come to FAPT to meet those needs. FAPT continues to look for funding for the highest needs' children for day treatment.
- IX. Subcommittee to Review Out of Home Placements Update Ali Wright
 - This subcommittee addresses the trauma and autistic needs of children and youth, works on filling gaps to keep children out of residential care and respite care. The committee has not met recently.
 - Support is needed for court with court navigation and in-home services.
 - A Multisystemic Therapy (MST) contract is being developed.
 - Support to The Matthews House is coming from the Rewiring Project through the Tennyson Center. The Matthews House hopes to start a Detention Alternative Support Home (DASH) program. Safe Families and Host Homes(families) has been funded by a grant with behavioral grant funds. This will serve families not in the child welfare system but need services and help. There are no limitations for purposes needed and connects families to services in the community. The Matthews House will start recruiting families for DASH. There is a need for recruiting of host homes/families besides the faith communities.
 - Magistrate Zehe is thankful for the movement with the DASH program and MST services for adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system. He suggested we have the MST provider come in and present to the LCIOG board at one of our future meetings.
- X. Old Business
 - None
- XI. New Business
 - None
- XII. Adjourn
 - Motion to Adjourn was made by Averil Strand and seconded by Thad Paul. Motion accepted and approved.
 - Adjourned 12:45 PM

Next Meeting:

November 12, 2020 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Zoom Meeting

Expenditures thru Aug 2020				
LCIOG BUDGET/EXPENDITURES FY20	HB1451	1451 EXP	DHS Covered	Total
	BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR TO DATE	PROJECTED
Program/Service - FAPT				EXPENDITURES
Coaches - FAPT	117,450	2,220	24,221	158,646
20% Coordinator Salary - FAPT	15,435	4,175	-	15,435
Family Advocates - FAPT	69,055	2,760	17,000	69,055
Home Based - (FFT/MST/FCC/SAFY/IFT)	67,100	5,497	23,392	173,330
Specialized Services (DD, Trumpet, Mosaic)	21,475	1	105	630
Day Treatment	10,066		-	-
Hard Service Funding (Rent, Gas, Transportation, food)	33,554	1,123	1,894	18,099
Sub Total FAPT	334,135	15,774	66,612	435,195
Program -				
Platte Valley Therapist	3,923	-		-
Trauma Informed Care	-	-		-
LCIRC (Offense Specific Program)	53,422	13,564		20,346
Prevention Plus Pathways	114,589	1,800		114,589
School Truancy Programs	28,260	2,355		28,260
Sub Total Program	200,194	17,719		163,195

Larimer County ADP* by Placement Type													
	Sep 19	Oct 19	Nov 19	Dec 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	Mar 20	Apr 20	May 20	Jun 20	Jul 20	Aug 20	Sep 20
Family Setting													
Trial Home Visit	6	8	6	6	6	3	5	9	7	6	7	8	8
**Kinship Care	208	200	198	191	194	196	187	184	176	177	181	181	175
***Kin Foster Care	34	34	32	35	35	36	32	31	28	26	23	27	29
County Foster Care	88	87	89	90	89	83	86	87	92	92	87	79	75
Private Foster Care	29	30	28	27	27	28	28	26	26	26	<u>24</u>	23	23
Sub Total	365	359	353	349	351	346	338	337	329	327	322	318	310
Congregate Care													
Group Home	5	6	6	5	3	2	4	3	2	2	2	2	1
Group Center	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Residential	8	12	14	15	14	13	11	9	7	8	10	10	10
Psych Residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psych Hospital	2	3	4	4	4	2	2	2	3	2	3	4	1
Sub Total	17	23	25	25	22	18	19	16	14	14	17	18	14
Other													
Independent Living	1	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2
Run Away	3	3	4	3	3	3	1	2	2	1	<u>1</u>	1	2
DHS Total	386	388	385	379	378	369	360	357	347	344	341	339	328
Detention (ADP)	12	11	13	16	12	16	13	8	7	4		4	
New Detent. Admissions	18	25	28	23	30	28	15	5	14	11		4	
Commitment (ADP)	19	19	19	19	18	15	16	17	9	18		16	
New Commitments	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	4	3	1		1	
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Updated 8/10/2020

Residential

Psychiatric

	<u> Apr'19</u>	Apr'20	May'19	May'20	<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	

<u>Aug'19</u>	<u>Aug'20</u>	<u>Sep.'19</u>	<u>Sep'20</u>
525	363	662	419
150(29%)	125(34%)	162(24%)	121(29%)

^{*}ADP = Average Daily Population

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

^{***} Kinship Foster Care = Child in home of Kin and in Custody of DHS

Definitions for Placement Type

Family Setting:

<u>Trial Home Visit</u>: 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.

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

<u>Kinship Foster Care:</u> 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.

<u>County Foster Care</u>: 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:

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

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

<u>Residential Child Care Facility (RCCF):</u> facility that provides 24-hour care, with rotating staff coverage.

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

<u>Psychiatric Hospital:</u> 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: <u>Independent Living</u>: Adolescent wh

<u>Independent Living</u>: 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.