
Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

May 17, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Carolyn Kirkwood, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Mary Kavli, Russell Brammer, Dana Stits, Rick Martin, Alyce Mastrianni, Clete Menke, Janet Nguyen, Desiree Penland, Kelly Weaver, Diane Nguyen, Maritza Rodriguez Farr, Anne Bloxom, Denise Churchill, Bob Malmberg, Harriet Bemus, Beverly MacClaren, Hellen Howe, Victoria Garcia, Debbie Chitty, Phoenix Tran, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Theri Todd

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** There were no announcements.
2. **Presentation:** Arthur Cummins from OCDE completed a presentation on the Crisis Response Network of Orange County. Handouts were provided.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Michael Riley stated that SSA is reviewing the impact of the May Revise. Alan Albright stated that AB 2034 was not funded. This puts local programs in jeopardy. Proposition 36 reduced drug abuse services. EPSDT Medi-Cal funding is due to be increased. Rick Martin stated that OCDE's funding is lower not because of the State Budget, but due to declining enrollment of children.
4. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the April 19, 2007 meeting.
5. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden reminded everyone to submit their data and to update the local significance sections, if they haven't done so already. Mary Ann stated that the CFCOC would write the special section for the Annual Report. In June 2007 drafts will be distributed, however, each agency will only receive their section(s). Complete drafts will be distributed in July and August 2007. Michelle Berelowitz will bring approximately four covers for CSCC members to choose from to the June 2007 meeting.

Alyce Mastrianni recommended producing a supplemental report (6-8 pages). The purpose of the report will be to highlight a few priorities from the Annual Report and to outline strategies to improve in the identified areas. The supplemental report may be used by policy makers. Alyce stated CFCOC would fund the supplemental report.
6. **Program / Project updates:**
 - Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe stated CAST completed 59 interviews last month and 25% were multi-language, including one in

Russian. Twelve of the interviews were with juvenile suspects. Hellen stated they are seeing a violent trend and younger suspects (under the age of 13). Twenty-three medical exams were completed and Dr Bruhn continues consulting.

- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated FYS is applying for a three year RFA for the Countywide FYS Program and the Juvenile Detention Grant.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated there's a public meeting next week before their mental health services report is submitted to the State. They have seven new programs for children and transitional youth. Only one of the programs isn't running yet due to an issue with the facility. They are implementing other new programs, including mentoring services with Growth dollars.
- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that their numbers are steady. Wraparound is serving 330 youth and is expanding in July 2007. There will be three new providers to make it a total of seven Wraparound providers. Wraparound received their 1,000th referral. A celebration is going to be held on July 12th at the Delhi Center. Additional information will be distributed soon.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated that the budget revise for THP+ approved 70 slots. Emancipation Services submitted their proposal to the State for Connection by 25.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom stated the next community forum will focus on safety issues, particularly concern over the number roll over child deaths. There will be an effort to educate the community. It'll take place in July 2007, but at this time, there is no confirmed date. Anne also stated that the Board of Supervisors approved CFS' SIP.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated they have the first phase of the prevalence study completed. Ten out of 16 hospitals participated. The second phase, which is a self-report survey regarding usage, is in progress. The initial review of the data should take place in July 2007.

- 8. General Committee Member Comments:** Russell Brammer stated they received their first shipment of the Safely Surrendered Babies DVDs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were comments.

NEXT MEETING: June 21, 2007