

## Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP)

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July 21, 2016 Minutes

### **In Attendance: 28**

Eldon Baber, Chris Bieber, Dr. Sharon Boles, Lisa Burke, Karen Christensen, Betsy DeGarmoe, Judge Maria Hernandez, Kim Goll, Ken Grebel, Jana Hoffman, Gene Howard, Yana Kennedy, Farrah Khan, Susan Leibel, Dr. Anne Light, Jean Martin, Denise MacAllister, Cheryl Meronk, Janina Miller, Alyson Piguee, Amber Rivera, Mike Ryan, Linda Smith, Martin Schwartz, Gary Taylor, David Wesson, Janis White, Carol Wiseman

### **Introductions / Announcements:**

Introductions were made. Betsy DeGarmoe informed the attendees that the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) ACCESS' Summer at the Center 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is starting the weekend of July 29<sup>th</sup>. It is a two week intensive theatre arts program that includes dancing, singing, acting, and lots of fun. The program is a collaborative partnership between the OCDE and the Orange County Performing Arts Center.

### **State Legislation/Budget:**

Gary Taylor provided an overview of the Hatch/Wyden bill / Family First Prevention Services Act moving forward at the Federal level. The bill's purpose is to move money to the front end for prevention and intervention services. However, it is not adding additional funds; it will re-allocate funds. California and New York have expressed concerns. The California Welfare Director's Association thought that its intent might derail efforts under the Continuum of Care Reform and is requesting amendments. It would also limit the amount of time one could pull down the funding for residential care, which would inhibit the ability to serve high needs youth. It also requires a Registered Nurse be available 24 hours a day / 7 days a week, which is a further limitation. The bill is on hold until after Labor Day 2016, which gives the states more time to assess and provide input.

**ACTION ITEM:** Review and Approve minutes from the June 16, 2016 meeting. Approved.

### **Annual Report on the Conditions of Children in Orange County (Report) update**

Lisa Burke provided an update on the hard copy and digital report:

#### Hard Copy of Report:

Everyone on the OCCP should have received the first draft and survey monkey. It is still missing some pieces (introduction and six of the indicators which were pending data.) The second draft will be distributed for review on August 18, 2016.

#### Digital Report:

- Functionality of the report: Consultant brought options and recommendations to the Steering Committee.

- Keeping it on the existing site but making the Portable Document Format (PDF) more user-friendly.
- Moving it over to the Orange County's Healthier Together website.
- Creating a separate micro-site for the report.
- Shareability of the report:
  - Discussed creating a master email list of the report for a digital campaign.
    - A centralized email list will allow the ability to track how many people are accessing the report.
    - Discussed challenges with obtaining permission to send over email lists to outside entities.
    - Determined that for this year, the OCCP will send out to their lists – but the email will include information on how individuals can opt-in to a mass email list in the future.
      - Lisa requested that OCCP members share information on how/when it was distributed and how many individuals it was shared with.
    - Discussed the organic social media campaign.
      - Creating a separate Facebook page for the report.
    - Discussed the options to boost the campaign through social media purchases.
      - Targeting specific audiences to push the report out to, such as the pay-per-click option.
  - The Steering Committee will review these options at their next meeting and provide a recommendation to the OCCP on how to move forward. The idea is that the majority of the shareability options will be moved forward next year.

### **OCCP Areas of Focus:**

Lisa Burke provided a quick overview of the template that was designed to help create greater structure for OCCP's areas of focus and sub-committee reports. Kim Goll highlighted the need to standardize and ensure accountability.

- **Assembly Bill (AB) 403:**

Gary Taylor presented an Assembly Bill 403 focus area document (attachment *Continuum of Care Reform*). Linda Smith inquired how success was going to be measured. Mike Ryan and Gary discussed that the state has not developed outcome measures, but SSA will continue to measure areas such as placement stability, time to reunification, etc. Betsy DeGarmoe followed-up with the need to identify if Continuum of Care Reform will make a difference for permanency/stability.

- **Childhood Obesity:**

Kim Goll presented the childhood obesity focus area document (attachment *Childhood Obesity*).

- **Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC):** No Update.  
Lisa Burke inquired who would be the lead on the CSEC focus area document. Judge Hernandez offered to provide support, in addition to Gary Taylor and Christine Smith.
- **Child Abuse / Neglect – WE CAN Coalition:**  
Dr. Anne Light did a PowerPoint presentation on the WE CAN initiative focusing on two of the 11 projects currently underway: Child Treatment Task Force and Community Treatment (attachment *The WE CAN Coalition 719*). Dr. Light also shared her focus area document and inquired how it could be more useful. OCCP recommended that she have the WE CAN sub committees determine where they need OCCP support. Lisa Burke inquired how the Report could leverage the GIS mapping portal. Alyson Piguee indicated she would follow-up with SSA's GIS workgroup on this topic.
- **Early Childhood Development:** No Update.
- **Food Security:** No Update.
- **Mental Health Advocacy for Adolescents:**  
Gene Howard presented the Mental Health Advocacy for Adolescents focus area document (attachment *Mental Health Services for High Need Dependent ad Delinquent Youth*).

**General Committee Member Comments:**

Linda Smith inquired if SSA had responded to the Grand Jury Report on Foster Care. Mike Ryan shared that the response to the Grand Jury report was submitted and approved by the Board on 7/12/16. The response to the report will be sent out to the OCCP.

**Public Comments:**

None

**Next Meeting:** September 15, 2016. The meeting will be at Meeting will be held at the Probation Grand Avenue Office Building, 1001 South Grand Avenue, Santa Ana 92705

NOTE: OCCP will not hold an August 2016 Meeting