

LARIMER COUNTY INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT GROUP (LCIOG)

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

LARIMER COUNTY COURT HOUSE

200 WEST OAK STREET

CARTER LAKE ROOM, 1st FLOOR

FORT COLLINS, CO 80521

Voting Members in attendance: Dale Lake, Kay Dechairo, Michelle Brinegar, Averil Strand, Charlie Carter, Randy Ratliff, Greg Ketchum, Jenny Ellison, Chris Gastelle, Jim Drendel, Darcie Votipka, Cyndi Dodds, Josi McCauley, John Rattle,

Non-Voting Members in attendance: Bob Bauman, Thad Paul, Lori Stearns, Greg Otte, Judy Rodriguez by phone

Guests: Catherine Weaver, Stephane Tillman, Tommy Jo Davis

Recorder: Deb Bowen

- I. Call to order by Michelle Brinegar at 11:35 AM
- II. Welcome and introductions around the table.
- III. Review and approval of minutes from August 13, 2015. *Motion to approve minutes by Averil Strand, seconded by Jenny Ellison. All in favor, motion passed, minutes approved.*
- IV. PSSF Update
 - Judy Rodriguez and Catherine Weaver reported that exciting things are happening. The letter Larimer County sent to the Reggie Bicha, Director of Colorado Dept. of Human Services, addressing our concerns was reviewed and we found out the form they were stating all clients had to fill out may now be optional the first year and possibly all clients may not have to complete it. We are still waiting on the final word but we will negotiate with the State re our concerns. A new contract needs to be put into place. Federal money may be available to keep children home for in home services. In the coming year a Request for Proposal (RFP) for PSSF funds anyone can apply and qualify for funding with Counties having first priority. More in depth conversation will be held between the State's Office of Early Childhood and Colorado Human Services Directors Association (CHSDA).
 - The issues outlined in our letter to Director Bicha are not just Larimer County issues; other counties in the State are also concerned.
 - A statewide PSSF evaluation has been suggested and CSU would be our suggested evaluator.
- V. RCCO/BHO (Regional Care Collaborative Organization/Behavioral Health Organization)
Cyndi Dodds explained changes coming for RCCO/BHO in 2017. Federal funding matches are set to change. (Attached diagram).
- VI. Trafficking
 - Jim Drendel shared the research article CSU wrote on the treatment of trafficked children and child welfare. Deb Bowen will also send the article out to all board members via e-mail. Some of the highlights are the dos and don'ts of how to treat these victims. Keeping victims in family care is the best way to build trust.
- VII. Congregate Care
 - Federal funding for reimbursement may disappear. Congregate Care is defined as 4 or more children in a facility. We will need more funding for keeping children with family. We have a

sub-committee formed that meets monthly to find ways on how to reduce congregate care to zero.

VIII. FAPT Stories

- Lori Stearns shared some successful FAPT stories with us. The wait list for FAPT is currently about two months. A suggestion was made to dissect the successful FAPT children to see what worked.

IX. Old Business - none

X. New Business

- Jenny Ellison and Michelle Brinegar are on a State sub-committee for reorganizing juvenile code. Legislation support will be needed to write reorganization.
- Michelle Brinegar is on a State sub-committee for the revamp of juvenile rule procedure.
- Darcie Votipka reported that the Poudre School District is applying for a grant to provide more extensive mental health services for children from 0 – 8 years old and their families.

XI. Next LCIOG Meeting

October 8, 2015 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Larimer County Court House

200 West Oak Street

Lake Loveland Room, 2nd Floor

Fort Collins

Adjourn 1:00 PM

Notes Submitted by Deb Bowen