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# The Children's Justice Act Task Force- Notice of Funding Opportunity Subcommittee

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# Welcome

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# Initial Public Comment

## **3. Initial Public Comment (*Discussion only: Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting*)**

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# Review The Children's Justice Act Task Force Goals

## 4. For Information: *Review the Children's Justice Act Task Force goals*

- Review the Children's Justice Act Task Force goals as a reminder to the Task Force of their focus.



# Goals of the CJA Task Force

## 4. Goals of the CJA Task Force

**Goal 1:** Provide child protection workers and stakeholders “front end” specialty, discipline specific and advanced training. Training should be prioritized, but not limited to, training requirements of CARA and JVTA Program Improvement Plans, child protection model assessments, ICWA, sexual abuse, domestic violence, forensic interviewing, trauma-informed practices, substance use and co-occurring mental health disorders and training needs identified in collaboration with Court Improvement Program. *(ABC)*

**Goal 2:** Support the implementation of the Commercially Sexually Exploited Child (CSEC) Model Coordinated Response Protocol and provide training and support for the formation of Multidisciplinary Teams (MDT) and Task Forces. *(ABC)*

**Goal 3:** Support the establishment of new Children’s Advocacy Centers (CACs) or other multidisciplinary team approaches and improve the capacity of existing CACs to provide a multidisciplinary response for victims of child sex abuse and exploitation, physical abuse, and child victims with disabilities. Activities may include the development of a strategic action plan for project implementation, identification of rural health care providers, investigation of funding opportunities for infrastructure and operating costs, and the use of telehealth and telemedicine statewide. *(AB)*

**Goal 4:** Fund technology requests to improve the investigation, assessment and prosecution of child abuse and neglect through use of latest technology and to support use of new and existing training technologies. *(AB)*

**Goal 5:** Identify new or needed changes to policy, regulation and/or legislation to meet requirements of federal program improvements plans and other federal and state initiatives. Support training and policy needs related to new or revised policy, regulation, and legislation. *(C)*



# Review NOFO Applications

## **5. For Information: *Review the Notice of Funding Opportunity applications***

- Provide overview of applications that were received for fiscal year 2025.



# Clark County Department of Family Services

- CCDFS will contract with NCAC to provide three (3) 4-Day Forensic Interview Trainings to be tentatively held in July 2024, November 2024, and March 2025. Each training session can accommodate 30 professionals, for a total of 90 professionals trained during the grant period.
- \$60,000
- Goals 1





# Nevada Institute of Forensic Nursing (NVIFN)

- The Nevada Institute of Forensic Nursing has requested \$30,000 to purchase the Cortexflo machine and necessary technology (computers) for adolescent exams. The Cortexflo is a portable forensic photography unit that captures images and videos of evidence required for physical and sexual examination.
- \$30,000
- Goals 3 & 4



# Nye County

- Nye County intends to send 14 people from the NCCAC MDT to the San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment in January 2025.
- \$38,299
- Goals 1



# Washoe County Health and Human Services

- Washoe County Human Services Agency has requested \$61,369.00 to provide Child Advocacy Center Assessment staff with advance training for WCHSA staff members at the CAC and members of the CAC multi-disciplinary.
  - 45 child welfare staff will attend the Cornerhouse Training center for child interview training.
  - 25 assessment staff and MDT members will attend TriTech Forensic Child Fatality Training.
  - 7 child welfare staff will attend the Child Welfare League of America Conference.
  - 7 child welfare staff will attend International Symposium on Child Abuse Conference.
  - 5 child welfare staff will attend San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment.
- The funds will also go towards purchasing technology (6 tablets)
- \$61,369
- Goals 1, 3 & 4



# NOFO Funding for Applications

## **6. For Possible Action: *To discuss possible funding for Notice of Funding Opportunity applications***

- Consideration, discussion, and possible action to make funding recommendations to present to the Children's Justice Act Task Force. The subcommittee will review and discuss each application and make recommendations for full/partial/or no funding for each one.
  1. Clark County Department of Family Services (Current Grantee)
    1. Last year funding: \$48,500
    2. Requested: \$60,000
    3. Increase: \$11,500
  2. Nevada Institute of Forensic Nursing (Current Grantee)
    1. Last year funding: \$14,362
    2. Requested: \$30,000
    3. Increase: \$15,638
  3. Nye County (New Agency)
    1. Requested: Requested: \$38,299
  4. Washoe County Health and Human Services (Current Grantee)
    1. Last year funding: \$40,684
    2. Requested: \$61,369
    3. Increase: \$20,685



# Final Public Comment

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# Adjourment

## **7. Adjourment**

- Thank you for your time and commitment to improving services for children and youth in Nevada.