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Welcome

1. Call to order

2. Roll call



Initial Public Comment

- 3. 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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Meeting Minutes

4. For Possible Action: Consideration, discussion and possible action to Approve August 2, 2023 Meeting Minutes (Please see attachments)

- Motion to approve
- Motion to 2nd
- Vote



CJA Updated 3 Year Goals

- 5. For Possible Action: Consideration, discussion and possible action to bring suggestions regarding updating Nevada CJA 3-year assessment goals. This will action item will be voted for approval at the large CJA Task Force Meeting. The 3-year assessment is due May 2024.



NV Current Goals

- **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, reduce trauma for victims, domestic violence, forensic interviewing, trauma- informed practices 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. *(AB)*
- **Goal 4:** Fund technology requests to improve the investigation, assessment and prosecution of child abuse and neglect through the through use of latest technology and to support the use of new and existing training technologies. *(B)*
- **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)*



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- *A= Investigative, administrative, and judicial handling of cases of child abuse and neglect.*
- *B= Experimental, model and demonstration programs for testing innovative approaches.*
- *C= Reform of state laws, ordinances, regulations, protocols, and procedures*



Other State's Goals

- Virginia's: Develop multidisciplinary trainings with a racial equity lens and a focus on trauma-informed care for Virginia professionals and volunteers involved in the investigation, prosecution, and judicial handling of child maltreatment (Priority Area A).
- Virginia's: Support efforts that enhance collaboration among local courts and child welfare stakeholders and consistency of judicial handling of child abuse cases (Priority Areas A&B).
- Virginia's: Track and analyze policies, procedures, and legislation that may have an impact on the criminal justice and child protective systems (Priority Area C).
- California: The Task Force will monitor child abuse and neglect legislation for current trends and where appropriate, collaborate with affected parties and entities.



Proposed Ideas

- Adding interpersonal and/or domestic violence into goal 3
- Updating goal 5
- Thoughts?



Future Agenda Items

- 6. Consideration, discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items.
- Motion to approve
- Motion to 2nd
- Vote



Announcements

- 7. Information Only: Tasks members to discuss any important announcements regarding their agencies.



Final Public Comment

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Adjournment

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

THANK YOU!