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Welcome

- Call to order
- Roll call



Initial Public Comment

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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

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Clark County Department of Family Services

- CCDFS seeks funding to contract with the National Children’s Advocacy Center (NCAC) to train up to 90 SNCAC and Community Partner professionals in forensic interviewing.
- CCDFS also seeks funding to assist in providing the latest technology to enhance law enforcement’s ability to efficiently work on site at the SNCAC through the purchase of a high-speed copier machine for use by Law Enforcement.
- \$48,500
- Goals 3 & 4



Great Basin Children's Advocacy Center

- The GBCAC requests funding for two Forensic Interviewers seeking advanced child forensic interview training, Advanced Forensic Interviewing (AF): Beyond the Basics, through the National Child Advocacy Center.
- \$6,300
- Goals 1 & 3



Nevada Institute of Forensic Nursing (NVIFN)

- NVIFN is requesting CJA funding to aid in the cost of vital training for our contracted nurses to work with the children under our care. The awarded funding would also provide the cost of the new technology VALT Cloud system to be used in the soft exam room and mobile unit, which will allow for remote viewing of interviews by law enforcement or attorneys. All use of the VAL T Cloud information is admissible in court.
- \$14,362
- Goals 3 & 5



No To Abuse - Nevada Outreach Training Organization (NOTO)

- NOTO intends to send 14 people from the NCCAC MDT to the San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment in January 2024. This would include 2 staff from each discipline including child advocacy, forensic interviewers, law enforcement, prosecution, medical, mental health and child protective services.
- \$19,849
- Goals 1 & 3



Washoe County Health and Human Services

- WCHSA will provide a range of discipline specific and advanced trainings for the CAC team to enhance services and stay current with emerging trends and best practices. Trainings are specific to forensic interviewing for five CAC child protection workers, Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Advocacy Course for 10 child welfare staff, Child Welfare League annual conference for five assessment staff, Shared Hope Juvenile Sex Trafficking annual conference for three assessment staff, and Trauma-Informed Leadership training for four MDT members in leadership roles.
- Additionally, this project includes the purchase of two multi-function printers needed for the medical unit office and the assessment workers' office within the CAC to increase efficiency and accessibility and seven large monitors for intake/assessment workers to increase intake efficiency.
- \$40,684
- Goals 1, 3 & 4



NOFO Funding for Applications

For Possible Action:

- A review of the scores provided by the subcommittee reviewers and consideration, discussion, and possible action to discuss full/partial or no funding for the applicants.
 - i. Clark County Children's Advocacy Center (Current Grantee)
 1. Last year funding: \$45,530
 2. Requested: \$48,500
 3. Increase: \$2,970
 - ii. Great Basin Children's Advocacy Center (Current Grantee)
 1. Last year funding: \$14,520
 2. Requested: \$ 6,300
 3. Decrease: \$8,220
 - iii. Nevada Institute of Forensic Nursing
 1. Requested: \$14,362
 - iv. Nevada Outreach Training Organization
 1. Requested: \$ 19,849
 - v. Washoe County Health and Human Services (Current Grantee)
 1. Last year funding: \$40,050
 2. Requested: \$40,684
 3. Increase: \$634



NOFO Scores

- CCDFS: Total score: 526/575
 - Average: 105
 - Requesting Amount: \$48,500
 - Funded Amount (pending):
- GBCAC: Total score: 513/575
 - Average: 102
 - Requesting Amount: \$6,300
 - Funded Amount: TBD
- NVIFN: Total score: 536/575
 - Average: 107
 - Requesting Amount: \$14,362
 - Funded Amount (pending):TBD
- NOTO: Total score: 491/575
 - Average: 98
 - Requesting Amount: \$19,849
 - Funded Amount (pending): TBD
- WCHSA: Total score: 556/575
 - Average: 111
 - Requesting Amount: \$40,684
 - Funded Amount (pending): TBD



Announcements

- Information Only: Member announcements



Final Public Comment

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Adjournment

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