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NEVADA COALITION TO PREVENT THE COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN: STRATEGIC PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, August 25, 2022

TIME: 10:00 am – 11:30 am (or until adjournment)

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MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order and roll call was taken by Esther Rodriguez-Brown. Quorum was established.

2. Public Comment and Discussion *(Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting)*

None.

3. For Possible Action: Approval of July 28, 2022 meeting minutes.

ACTION: Unidentified individual motioned to approve meeting minutes as submitted, second unidentified person seconded motion. No oppositions, no abstentions. Motioned passed.

No further discussion on this item.

4. For Discussion and Possible Action: Continue discussion and development of statewide service standards for providers (Southern Nevada Human Trafficking Task Force Best Practice for Standards of Service) and Continuum of Care

- Members will present their condensed versions of assigned sections of the Southern Nevada Human Trafficking Task Force Best Practice for Standards of Service which will include suggestions on how to best apply to CSEC and youth.
 - **Trauma-Specific Therapy:** Shannon McCoy & Ashley Martinez
Shannon McCoy discussed the use of the words "victim, survivor, and trafficked" as being used interchangeably throughout the document.

Leslie Bittleston indicated the need to use consistent language throughout.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown concurred with the need to keep language consistent with the language CSEC uses for the other best practices discussed, using the example of children that have been exploited rather than victim, survivor, or trafficked. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown did note that the piece regarding seeking people with life experience and survivors' input is important to include the word survivors.

Makaya Swain indicated that point number 3 speaks to the larger guiding of the best practices.

Shannon McCoy asked about the training being referenced in number 6.

Makaya Swain indicated the need for this to refer to ethical best practices, which is where the training is included.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown concurred.

Makaya Swain pointed out that in number 7, regarding individuals conducting assessments, the language does not line up properly.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown pointed out that this refers more to the supervision of case managers than to the therapists and the counselor.

Shannon McCoy confirmed that this is correct and therefore should mirror the language above.

Makaya Swain indicated the need for the language to be added regarding case managers.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown suggested specifying the need for regular clinical supervision rather than just supervision. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown further indicated that if it's all of this assessment piece refers to mental health, the language would be less confusing.

Leslie Bittleston noted that there are two pieces here, one which is the requirement by license to have a clinical supervision, the second of which is that a non-clinician should

not be supervising these people. As such, Ms. Bittleston opined that the Subcommittee is trying to say that there must be a supervisor who is a clinician and that if this requirement is not met, then standards are not met.

Jennifer Malnar concurred that changing the wording to clinical supervision covers all of these points.

Shannon McCoy asked about training certificates on file, per number 8, if there is any sort of requirement of CEUs or hours or number of hours.

Leslie Bittleston indicated the need to state that practitioners have an updated license because they have to provide the CEUs to their licensing board.

Shannon McCoy asked what is meant by unique therapeutic intervention.

Jennifer Malnar recommended that the trainings have the wording be change to say complete specialized trainings rather than unique.

Leslie Bittleston asked if this should be two separate questions, one regarding updated licensing, and the second regarding specialized training.

Shannon McCoy clarified that the first standard requires that the provider be in good standing with the Nevada licensing body, which addresses the licensing point.

Jennifer Malnar concurred, indicating that once these people are trained, they are then certified. Ms. Malnar next wondered if CSEC is requiring specific trainings versus recommended trainings in order for them to efficiently work with the population.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown indicated that practitioners must provide verification of the additional training.

Jennifer Malnar if it is recommended but they are not trauma trained, would that be something that the subcommittee wants to look at as far as them being able to effectively work with the population.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown explained that the reason that this is being recommended and not imposed is that it is going to be the best practices. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown further asked the members of the Subcommittee to pay careful attention to the grammar in the document.

- **Juvenile Justice Section (new to be added):** Alexa Rodriguez, Sharon Anderson & Pauline Salla-Smith

Sharon Anderson indicated that the members working on this section have a meeting scheduled for the beginning of the following month and as such, will have something prepared for the next Subcommittee meeting.

Action: A motion was made by Leslie Bittleston to approve the trauma-specific therapy with today's changes, and to table the juvenile justice section until the next meeting. Tiffany Tyler-Garner seconded the motion. No objections. Motion carries.

5. For Discussion and Possible Action: Discuss online accessibility of best practices information/resources

Makaya Swain opened the item with a discussion of the content the Subcommittee would like to add to the resource section.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown suggested that DCFS add a page to their website for CSEC to put the resources that people can access.

Leslie Bittleston indicated her belief that if CSEC uses DCFS' website and creates another page, there will not be a cost as opposed to using 211 or an alternative site, which would incur a cost.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown concurred. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown asked Sharon Anderson if she knew to whom the subcommittee should reach out regarding use of the DCFS website.

Sharon Anderson indicated that the public information's officer is the first person to whom CSEC should reach out regarding the process.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown indicated that she would be willing to reach out should Ms. Anderson be constrained for time. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown next questioned if CSEC were to do this through the state for people in the community, is there an ability to be a bit more creative.

Sharon Anderson indicated that much of the state's website has to do with ADA requirements and as such, anything added would be very similar to the formatting already in place. Ms. Anderson offered to provide the Subcommittee with Karla Delgado's, the state's public information officer, contact information.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown indicated that she has worked with Ms. Delgado in the past and will reach out to her directly.

Makaya Swain questioned what content the subcommittee would like to be on the page.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown suggested including the prevention guide and the best practices once they've been completed approved by the full Coalition, as well as any link that will take the user to the new Nevada 211 page and to resources from organizations working with CSEC around the state.

Leslie Bittleston suggested posting the strategic plan on the website and indicated the need for a contact person on the website to whom Coalition members can reach out to for questions.

Makaya Swain suggested adding a Frequently Asked Question section for people to try and find answers prior to phoning the contact person.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown concurred and requested that members of the group begin sending questions to be compiled. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown further suggested that the subcommittee include the input of law enforcement as many people do have law-enforcement related questions.

Makaya Swain indicated that she could receive assistance, as well, from the task force regarding questions they receive regularly. Ms. Swain asked the subcommittee for recommendations of any other content they would like to add.

Shannon McCoy raised the possibility of adding the Nevada Rapid Indicator Tool (NRIT) and, if it is ultimately recommended, the CSE-IT tool.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown raised the concern of users without the proper training accessing and trying to use the NRIT and other assessment tools.

Shannon McCoy agreed with Ms. Rodriguez-Brown's point.

Leslie Bittleston also concurred.

Makaya Swain suggested adding information on how people can inquire about or sign up for that training.

Esther Rodriguez-Brown indicated her belief that once a community training is approved, this would be an appropriate training to add to this website. Ms. Rodriguez-Brown further suggested tabling the rest of the discussion until the following meeting given that the subcommittee would be exploring DCFS as the host of the website.

Action: A motion was made by Sharon Anderson to table item number 5 until the following meeting, Leslie Bittleston seconded the motion. No objections. Motion carries.

6. For Discussion and Possible Action: Review of WestCoast Children's Clinic CSE-IT (Commercial Sexual Exploitation Identification Tool)

Esther Rodriguez-Brown suggested tabling this item until the best practices are finished.

Action: A motion was made by Leslie Bittleston to table item 6 until a future meeting, Tiffany Tyler-Garner seconded the motion. No objections. Motion carries.

7. For Discussion and Possible Action: Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items mentioned by the members of the Subcommittee.

8. Next Meeting: September 22, 2022. 10am-11:30am.

Makaya Swain informed the Subcommittee that the next meeting was scheduled for September 22, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

No further discussion on this item.

9. Final Public Comment and Discussion (*Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting*)

There was no public comment.

10. Adjournment

Makaya Swain adjourned the August 25, 2022 meeting of the CSEC Strategic Subcommittee.