



**NEVADA CHILDREN'S COMMISSION
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Monday, April 27, 2020

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE LINE: 1-312-584-2401

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1. Call to Order – Dr. Joe Haas, Jared Busker

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Dr. Haas.

2. Welcome and Introductions (Roll Call) – DCFS Staff

Members Present: Dr. Joe Haas, Jared Busker

DCFS Staff: Elvira Saldana, Kathryn Roose, Megan Freeman

Public: Cynthia Carstairs, Bailey Bortolin

3. Public Comment and Discussion:

There was no public comment.

4. For Possible Action: Committee Goals- Dr. Joe Haas, Jared Busker

Dr. Haas stated in the 2020 Workplan, one of the committee goals is to look at training and development and create an inventory of current training including information related to NRS and available training platforms then to do a gap analysis and make efforts towards implementation following July. The same applies for technology. Dr. Joe Haas asked if there were any concerns.

Jared Busker asked where the committee is currently at based on the workplan.

Dr. Haas replied this is the committee's first meeting and the committee is at the beginning of the workplan. Dr. Haas suggested starting with the inventory of current training and available training platforms. Dr. Haas stated he is aware there is a training academy for child welfare. Dr. Haas asked if there was any comment where the trainings are housed, how to obtain access and find out what is being done regarding behavioral health as to what online workers are receiving and training plans in the Family First Act. Dr. Haas asked Jared Busker if he had any thoughts.

Jared Busker commented if Kathryn could share training information.

Kathryn Roose stated she reached out to request the full list of trainings for the training academy and suggested providing what the committee is looking for. There is behavioral health training in the academy. Kathryn Roose informed they are still in the process of writing the Family First Plan. The plan requires a

training in the workforce development section to describe how they are going to ensure the workforce is prepared for Family First. There will be additional training in light of Family First.

Dr. Haas stated those two items provided are a good starting point. Dr. Haas asked if it would make sense to include the work from the System of Care, the trainings of system of care values and Wraparound.

It was agreed it would.

Dr. Freeman informed the training is available on mycasat.org. There are also DCFS trainings. Dr. Freeman stated a list can be provided.

Dr. Haas stated the goal today is to identify what is out there and as we set our future steps, put everything together.

Kathryn Roose stated the child welfare trainings are funded by IV-E and are not shareable outside of child welfare. Currently non child welfare staff may not take those trainings due to the funding source.

Dr. Freeman asked who the audience for the trainings would be.

Dr. Haas stated it would be training available for individuals who are working with children in the child welfare/juvenile justice system.

Dr. Freeman stated she would provide a list.

Dr. Haas stated a list of child welfare trainings would be assembled for review of the gap analysis to provide feedback to the Commission. Dr. Haas asked if that would be a good first step.

Jared Busker replied yes, it would. Jared Busker asked if it would be possible to obtain all the trainings required by NRS and NAC to compare what's available and what is required.

Dr. Haas asked Kathryn if the trainings in the academy are driven by NRS or NAC.

Kathryn Roose replied she would imagine it is the foundation, however there are additional trainings.

Dr. Haas stated there is a list for juvenile justice within detention settings for online workers to receive 40 hours of training. Dr. Haas asked if there was any feedback on any NRS or NAC governing this.

Dr. Freeman stated there is NRS and NAC regarding training for behavioral health professionals. Dr. Freeman asked if behavioral health professionals would be included.

Dr. Haas replied he would be ok with behavioral health professionals training to be included. Dr. Haas asked if there are components of behavioral health in the foster parent training.

Kathryn Roose replied yes, it would include traditional foster care and in specialized and advanced foster care homes.

Dr. Haas asked if there were two different regimens for the foster care and advanced.

Kathryn Roose replied the specialized and advanced foster care homes use a program called "Together Facing the Challenge." It is different curriculum than what is used in regular foster homes.

Dr. Haas stated the training would be key to the group. Dr. Haas asked if there were any other training avenues.

Dr. Freeman stated she would have her staff obtain NRS and NAC training for specialized foster care parents.

Dr. Haas commented in the workplan document, transition to adulthood is listed. Dr. Haas asked if there is training for kids or workers specific to that area.

Kathryn Roose replied she is sure there is independent living trainings that would go into transition into adulthood.

Dr. Haas asked if there were any other missed training items.

Jared Busker stated foster kinship has trainings.

Kathryn Roose stated she would reach out to Ali to see what she has.

Dr. Haas stated the Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission has established an evidenced based practice entity through the National Council of Juvenile Family Court Judges. Those would be good for the committee to have in terms of what trainings they are offering. Dr. Haas asked Jared Busker if he was comfortable with moving on to the data collection part.

Jared Busker stated they could move on to data collection.

Dr. Haas asked Kathryn Roose to outline some of the information available on the DCFS website.

Kathryn Roose stated the DCFS Data Book is available.

Dr. Haas asked if the jurisdictions would have additional data.

Kathryn Roose stated the data is pulled from AFCARS or UNITY, which is statewide.

Dr. Haas inquired on the juvenile justice reports Leslie Bittleston receives from the counties.

Kathryn Roose stated those would be obtained from Leslie.

Dr. Haas asked if there are any aspects of the reports that mental health providers within DCFS put together and break it down in terms of juvenile justice and child welfare kids.

Dr. Freeman stated for the annual report for the behavioral health side of the Division, they look at law enforcement involvement. The data is not reliable as they may not capture all law enforcement involvement since not all juvenile justice kids would cross DCFS mental health.

Dr. Haas asked if there is any data from the System of Care which would outline official juvenile justice or child welfare involvement.

Dr. Freeman stated it is possible they may have it. Dr. Freeman asked what timeframe it would be needed for.

Dr. Haas asked Jared Busker if he would be ok with the data going back to a year.

Jared Busker stated a year back is ok.

Kathryn Roose added she looks forward to a conversation about what data reports they are missing and it would be helpful to keep a better track of.

Dr. Haas asked DCFS staff if the data requested is a manageable request.

Kathryn Roose stated it is.

Dr. Haas asked if there were any additional concerns or comments.

There were no comments.

Dr. Haas stated the next step would be to review the data and move forward with the gap analysis. In reviewing the workplan there is discussion in barriers to data sharing, current successes in data sharing, and current success in technology innovation. Dr. Haas asked if anyone is aware of any barriers for the essential behavioral health data.

Jared Busker replied he did not have any thoughts.

Dr. Haas stated in looking at data and training, he suggested putting out awareness to the rural, Clark and Washoe Children's Consortiums and Nevada PEP to invite to future meetings. Dr. Haas asked for any thoughts.

Jared Busker stated he was ok with that plan.

5. For Possible Action: Discuss and Decide Upon Next Steps- Dr. Joe Haas, Jared Busker

- Assign Tasks to Committee Members (if needed)
- Specify Agenda Items for the Next Meeting
 1. Identify gaps and develop a plan
- Confirm Next Meeting Date/Time

6. Public Comment and Discussion:

There was no public comment.

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

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