Illinois Children & Family Services Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 23, 2016 @ 2:30pm to 5:00pm
100 W. Randolph, Chicago, IL 60601 6th Floor Conference Room 215

Council Members present in-person	*Billie Larkin, Marge Berglind, Robert Bloom, Jill Glick*
Council Members via phone	*Senator Mattie Hunter, Tim Egan*
Approved Members in-person	*Merri Ex, Robert Foltz, Anita Weinberg*
Approved Members via phone	*Jennifer Hansen, Mary Crane*
Youth & Alumni via phone	*Carlos Rodriguez (Youth), Jamal Adams (Youth),Tyshiana Antwan Turpeau (Alumni), Jahlissa Glenn (Alumni)*
DCFS Staff present in-person	*George Sheldon, Theresa Hughes, Michelle Jackson, Jody Grutza, Jeremy Harvey*
DCFS Staff present via phone	*Theresa Matthews, Michael Ruppe, Nora Harms-Pavelski*
Absent	*Naomi Jakobsson, Arnie Spaulding (Youth), Judge Patricia Martin*

Welcome and introductions

- Co-Chair Dr. Jill Glick called the meeting to order at 2:35PM
    - Review and approval of minutes- Moved by Dr. Glick, Marge suggested that the minutes from the prior meeting be tabled for further edits. (Edits Completed)
    - Formation and Council development: We would like to have some conversations with Senator Morrison about returning the function of this group to that advisory role.
        - Co-Chair Jill Glick: Can we ask Senator Morrison to readdress our council's mission and the legislative tasks she added to the council's legislation, to return to an advisory function for the department and the director vs. taking on a narrow proscriptive responsibility to any one entity such as the seven tasks in the most recent updated advisory council's legislation requiring this council to perform tasks that are quality assurance based than advisory?
            - Follow up with Senator Morrison & Glick amending legislation
    - Bylaws still require some work- Dr. Glick reviewed the bylaws and forwarded them to Judge Martin for review
    - Dr. Glick wanted to address developing our mission statement
        - Jill Glick: Last meeting the group agreed that we wanted a broader focus including prevention.
        - Dr. Bloom I am fine with the Mission. Our priorities should come from the Director, and this council.
        - The council to review the drafted mission statement by Dr. Glick that articulates one of the key roles of the advisory council is to review recommendations by other citizen councils, and review with the director in terms of the department's response.
- Reviewed current membership status, will forward Latino Advisory recommendations for review and voting
- Director Sheldon & Jody Grutza: We will be filing our implementation plan, and is submitted jointly with the BH panel, and the Plaintiffs and the department.
    - We have developed the strategic planning unit to drive implementation: including Jody Grutza, Jeremy Harvey, and others
    - Talking with CWAC tomorrow during a live stream, which you may all have already received. Strategic plan will be final by Mid-March, and will be distributed to providers; finally we will be having 4 town halls across the state.

    - 5 elements that guides the HHS Transformation: Prevention and population health, pay for value or pay for success, move away from institutional care across agencies, better alignment of data and metrics. They all line with a broader strategic plan.
- Director Sheldon: some of our progress will come from our new monitoring. We are engaging with universities and our own staff to do the clinical monitoring of facilities.
    - We want to move from reliance on Residential care, we have moved over 290 youth out. We have now reduced shelter by 50% and youth in detention by 50%. We will be announcing our therapeutic foster care recipients by next week. Therapeutic foster care looking at the TFCO and KEEP models. We are also working to ensure no child is in shelter under 6 years old.

- Jody: Therapeutic FC will build the departments capacity, as an alternative for kids from residential.
- The Care Management Entity, provided by CHOICES. This moves to a focus on care coordination. The assigned team stays with the youth; it is currently in year 2 with full evaluation at year 3.
- Our Dually involved youth pilots: Pay For Success (Utilized crossover model from Georgetown)(serving 800 youth over 7.5 years) and Regenerations (Running for 6 months currently serving 38 youth, with plan to serve up to 65 youth)(focus on RUR youth in detention)
- Immersion Site process. We have a model FTS (Trauma informed care) it's our core practice model. We will be utilizing immersion sites, for the highest amount of flexibility. We will be providing waivers to regulation, training for DCFS and POS. This is something that has been done in other states.
- Robert Foltz discussed new legislation
    - HR 2646- Related to family mental health- revamping of SMASA -180 out of 187 co-sponsors
    - SB 1169 (corrected)- juvenile justice initiatives about integrated care and outcome monitoring.
- Michelle Jackson: Monitoring improvements: Staff at UIC are doing independent reviews, based partially on youth input. UIC is also looking at facilities that are doing well for best practices, we hope to improve our residential facilities overall. It is a comprehensive look. We have operations, and clinical at the table for more in-depth reviews now as well.
    - In addition, UIC and Northwestern are designing a residential monitoring program for us. This will be evaluated by Chapin Hall. We think this will start July 2016.
    - Robert Foltz: This is great timing, at the end of March – beginning of April, the Residential Care Providers of American Association of Residential Centers are coming to Chicago. Michelle Jackson should attend.
- Technology improvements: - Director Sheldon-
    - We are also launching a Mobile application pilot in Mt. Vernon. It includes our public and private entities to be able to input notes and pictures real time. It GPS stamps the photos, and can help ensure we are accurately recording essential information.
    - During the summer we will roll out a 360 view of the child. Integrating TANF, Medicaid, and SNAP data. Pre-populating known relationships. Future will include sex offender, child support data into the system.
- Co-Chair Jill Glick: DCFS needs an integrated medical record that is available for all youth digitally. We need to start somewhere, and I volunteer to assist in any way on the matter.
- CDRT-Co-Chair Jill Glick
    - Director Sheldon: I took this to Senator Morrison, I believe there is a conflict for CDRT to be run from within the department. I have partnered with Director Shaw (DHS) on messaging.
    - Let's look to how to make CDRT have some teeth, and give it the right to address these issues.
    - We need to get this group or a sub-group to address these issues. Dr. Glick Volunteered! Department will reach out on the topic.
    - Dr. Glick asked for official introduction with Dr. Shah
    - Dr. Glick advised to bring in Terri Covington as an advisor
    - Anita Weinberg volunteered to be on the committee to look at drafting legislation
- **Review meeting dates for the upcoming year:**

  MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE 3RD THURSDAY FROM 3:30-5pm

Meeting Adjourned 4:35 pm.