

CYPM Kansas State Policy Team TA Conference Call Summary

May 27, 2020 10:00am-12:00 pm

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Time	Session
10:00 am	 Welcome and Introductions Shay Bilchik, Director Emeritus, CJJR Victoria Chamberlin, Program Manager CJJR Alexandra Miller, Program Manager, CJJR Macon Stewart, Deputy Director, CJJR
10:03 am	Review Proposed Workplan Review recommended tasks per workgroup: The team reviewed the proposed workplan which outlines the work of the four workgroups. The tasks listed in the workplan are starting places for the groups and will be built upon and individualized to Kansas as the work unfolds. Workgroups include: Information Sharing (includes data); Local Policy & Support; Prevention; and Services Quality & Accessibility
	 Information Sharing The Information Sharing group will examine existing methods for sharing information across CYPM parties and will work to develop new MOUs and agreements as needed. The group will develop guidance for invested parties on what information is shared, with whom it is shared, and in what contexts it is shared. In addition, the Information Sharing group will also identify existing data relevant to crossover and will develop a plan to support data collection and analysis in communities. The team suggested that it would be helpful for this workgroup to look into modifying language in statutes to allow for more communication sharing across agencies and to avoid developing an excessive number of MOUs. The team desires to coordinate efforts between counties in order to smoothly transition supervision from one county to another as needed in reference to youth who move from one county to another due to foster care placement changes.
	 Local Policy & Support Once the team begins working with counties, this workgroup will develop based off its learning from the counties. The two bullets provided in the workplan include tasks that the CJJR team has

heard from the State Policy Team on prior calls, but this list will grow over time. No additional members are needed at this point (outside of the three already listed in the workplan), but membership will be expanded over time. Prevention The work of the Prevention group will largely be informed by the target population(s) selected as outlined in previous State Policy Team discussions. The identification of this population(s) should be data-based (if possible). There are 4 primary providers for foster care, 4 providers for family preservation, and many providers for Family First (see list of providers here). CJJR will follow up with State Policy Team to determine who from each of these groups could provide recommendations to the team and review documents. Service Quality & Accessibility • The work of this group is contingent upon the needs of individual communities and will commence upon the initiation of the crossover work in those jurisdictions. Membership to this workgroup will be determined as work begins in each community. The CYPM Coordinators will participate on all of the workgroups and will assist in leading them. 10:20 am **Establish Workgroup Membership** Please see revised work plan document which includes workgroup membership. 10:40 am Understanding the CINC Code Info. Sharing Statute (Brady & Amy) Brady and Amy provided a description of several statues within the CINC code that apply to information sharing: KSA 38.2210 Parties Exchanging Information To facilitate investigation and ensure the provision of necessary services to children who may be in need of care and such children's families, the following persons and entities with responsibilities concerning a child who is alleged or adjudicated to be in the need of care shall freely exchange information: Subsection D: Members of a court appointed multidisciplinary team. KSA 38.2228 Multidisciplinary Team The court on its own motion or upon request may, at any time, appoint a multidisciplinary team to assist in gathering information regarding a child who may be or is a child in need of care. The team may be a standing multidisciplinary team or may be appointed for a specific child. Any person appointed as a member of a multidisciplinary team may decline to serve and shall incur no civil liability as the result of declining to serve.

- KSA 38.2212 Appropriate and Necessary Access; Exchange of Information; Court Ordered Disclosure; Limited Public Information
 - (Summarized due to length of code): This code provides detail regarding
 which agencies can receive information, they type of information each
 agency can receive, and the type of information that each agency can share.
 - Necessary access codes include a wide range of actors, including (but not limited to) the child, parents, medical professionals, mental health professions, foster parents, educators, and many others.
 - Specific access is the most limited section of the code. This is specific to law enforcement agencies and what they can share, and it is more limited for safety reasons.
- The order, while specific, has been around for some time without any updates. It
 does not have to be updated with every service provider transition, although it is a
 simple process for the courts to update it.
- The team is unsure of the process for information sharing (such as through official file transfer, or MDT meeting), however they believed the only stipulation on sharing information is to do so in a confidential manner. There may need to be language included in the MOU regarding the specific information sharing process.
- The Information Sharing group should consider developing an ROI (if necessary) or developing a plan for how families will be informed of what information can be shared.
- It is at the county's discretion to decide how MDTs are run (e.g., via Child Advocacy Centers [CACs])

11:10 am **Develop a Vision for the State Policy Team**

- The team walked through several questions to be begin development of a vision. The vision is a short statement on the focus and direction of this work. Questions that were used to tap into the vision include:
 - O Who or what is being targeted/focused on?
 - O What are the strengths of the current system?
 - O What should be included in an ideal system?
 - O What is being done towards this mission?
 - O How are these things being done?
- The team used answers from the questions above to summarize what should be included in a 60 second pitch for the vision of the Kansas youth/family serving system. The phrases and ideas below will be utilized by the CJJR team to develop a draft vision to be reviewed and discussed by the team during the next State Policy Team meeting:
 - o Inclusive of mental health, legal, and local service providers
 - Intentional and genuine partnerships
 - Comprehensive and coordinated capacity
 - Specific to the needs of child and their family
 - Equipping communities at the local level to make change
 - Equipping them with tools
 - Empowering communities, youth, and families
 - Ensuring youth and families are heard and their voices incorporated into service plans and decisions made about them

Creating community-based approaches that welcome and facilitate reentry and transition Culturally competent systems Adaptability in systems structures to meet the needs of individual communities Helping to remove barriers 11:40 am **Update on Engagement with the Pilot Counties** Shawnee County The team has not connected with Shawnee County recently. The team had discussed trying to get Shawnee and Montgomery started at the same time. Shawnee is ready to go, but they have been on hold with Montgomery County due to COVID-19. **Montgomery County** No updates from Montgomery County. Things are just opening back up, so it is a good time to reach out now and see if they are able to meet with the State Policy Team. The team does not want to stall the work and believes a Zoom meeting could be sufficient to make sure everyone in the county stays on board with the work. As a next step, the State Policy Team will have conversations with the counties to reconnect. After that initial conversation, the team will facilitate a meeting with the CJJR team. CJJR will introduce the counties to the CYPM and conduct an assessment of their communities. Thereafter, CJJR will continue to engage the counties. 11:35 am Raising Awareness of Crossover Issues The team discussed potential opportunities to raise awareness of crossover issues throughout the state. Two opportunities had been previously discussed: CJJR had reached out to the team's contact for the Citizen Review Panels but had not been able to connect. CJJR will follow up. o Amy is in the process of identifying a summer or winter convening for CJJR to connect with and will follow up once she receives more information. The team noted suggested that if a conference or event cannot be identified or established, the team should consider creating the opportunity. For example, they could host a day long summit on crossover for people across the state. This could be virtual or in person, depending on the timing and environment. 11:50 pm **Next Steps** Future Dates: Calls/meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 10:00am-12:00pm. Subsequent dates include: o June 24th (call-in). For this meeting, we will be meeting as a group for the first hour. In the second hour, we will break out into workgroups. July 22nd (in person TBD) August 26th (call-in) *This schedule may be modified based on current circumstances related to COVID-19

Upcoming Topics:

- * Involvement of service providers on the State Policy Team (next in-person meeting).
- * Education presentation (Kent Reed)

- * Local engagement of law enforcement with agencies
 * Challenges and opportunities around cross-county cases