

GOVERNOR’S TASK FORCE ON JUSTICE FOR ABUSED CHILDREN

January 12, 2022 – 1:30 PM.
Zoom Meeting

Attendance: The January 2022 attendance list can be found on the GTFJAC Website.

Agenda Item	Discussion (<i>brief summary</i>)	Action (<i>and by whom</i>)
Meeting called to order	There was an introduction of Zoom attendees, and attendance was taken.	The meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm
Approval of Minutes:	There was a change from teams to centers in the NCA Accreditation section.	There was a motion to approve the September 2021 minutes. The motion passed. Anelli/VosWinkle M/S/P
Presentations:	<p>NCA Standards – Krystal Rich, Chapter Director, Connecticut Children’s Alliance and Tony DiVincenzo Northeast Regional website: www.nrcac.org</p> <p>Child Advocate Centers have to be accredited every five years. And they receive this accreditation based on the current NCA Standards. Krystal and Tony reviewed the changes that are included in the 2023 NCA Standards. The new NCA standards will be reviewed with the MDT Evaluation committee to ensure that the Connecticut protocols and standards align with the new NCA Standards. CCA and NRCAC will provide templates of many of the documents required by the new standards.</p> <p>9 Accredited sites 1 Associate Status</p> <p>End Child Marriage – Fraidy Reiss, CEO Unchained at Last, Michele Hanash, Unchained At Last. Written material was emailed to GTFJAC before the presentation. Connecticut laws and loopholes were discussed. This bill would need to be raised through the Judiciary Committee for this current session. Unchained at Last will connect with DCF to discuss this legislative effort and barriers to passage.</p>	Krystal will send Kristen documents regarding the 2023 NCA Standards
Budget	<p>The current Village budget was presented. This budget will end in 2023.</p> <p>The GTFJAC contract will be renewed and will continue after July 1, 2022. There is a re-bid of all DCF contracts that may occur in 2022.</p>	
Three Year Assessment	<p><i>Recommendation #4: Begin to address racial disparities and implicit bias through training, policy/protocol changes, and updates to MDT standards and evaluation criteria.</i></p> <p>GTFJAC developed an RFP to send to the four identified individuals and other potential consultants. . The tri chairs reviewed the 1st draft. This RFP was reviewed at the January GTFJAC meeting, and there was a discussion around the RFP.</p>	Provide an opportunity for the GTFJAC to review the RFP and provide comments

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	<p>Budget: The range for consultants could be from \$25,000 to \$40,000 for the scope of service. Other RFPs have not put a maximum amount. There is flexibility within the budget depending upon the deliverables.</p> <p>Deliverables: Comprehensive Implicit Bias Training for the Task Force at the beginning of the planning. This would ensure that the task force is starting at the same Ask the consultant to order the steps of deliverables. Response to Recovery- How many audiences is the consultant looking to address?</p>	<p>back by Friday, January 21, 2022.</p> <p>A final document will be sent out for a vote.</p>
Legislation	<p><u>AN ACT REQUIRING THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE.</u> GTF pulled together a working group of content experts: coaching Coalitions, content experts, and other folks working on this issue. Kelly Anelli, Bridget Koestner, Faith Vos Winkel, Krystal Rich and Kristen Clark participated in a working group.</p> <p>Our committee met over the past few months and gathered resources from National partners as well as local athletic organizations. The committee finalized a grooming tip sheet, forwarded a Camp tipsheet to the Office of Early Childhood for review and comment, and updated a draft of the Coach guidelines. These guidelines were sent to the Multi-Disciplinary Team Coordinators for review and comment. I met with them through the Connecticut Children’s Alliance meeting, reviewed the documents, and answered questions. The document was sent to the Task Force for review and comment in mid-December. Simultaneously, Krystal sent all documents to her graphic design person to begin formatting and adding some graphics to the documents.</p> <p>The legislation, a draft of the Coach guidelines, Camp Guidelines, and a Grooming Tipsheet were uploaded to the GTF website at the end of 2021. The task force reviewed the updated draft, including formatting and graphics. There was discussion around the distribution of guidelines throughout the state and suggested avenues. Perhaps it can be tracked as to who it has been distributed to. Parks and Recreation representative contacted kristen in early December. This can be forwarded to him once final. Individual members indicated organizations they are affiliated with to forward the documents to. Umpire and Referee organizations can also assist through their mailing lists.</p>	<p>The updated document will be forwarded to GTF for final review. Please send edits to Kristen.</p> <p>The Task Force can review the use of other centers for interviews. Also, discussing the use of centers by homeland security in centers.</p>
MDT Evaluation	<p>Tolland and East Central teams have been completed, the team sent in their response, and the Tolland documents were sent to GTFJAC for discussion at the January meeting.</p> <p>The Central and North Central MDT Evaluations were conducted since the last task force meeting.</p>	<p>The report will be sent to the GTFJAC for an electronic vote.</p>
HART	<p>January is Human Trafficking Month. If you would like to be added to the HART Listserv, please get in touch with Tammy Sneed at TAMMY.SNEED@ct.gov</p>	
Other Business:	<p>Legislative Priorities. We can share legislative agendas with the members, and Kristen can send an email to the membership.</p>	
New Business:	<p>Future Presentation Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send suggestions to Kristen Clark. • The Task Force can review the use of non-accredited centers for interviews. Also, discussing the use of centers by homeland security. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVS Training Topic – Koren can be reached to provide a list. • Legislative Update on the current 2022 session. 	
Announcements:		
	Meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm . There was a motion to adjourn. The motion passed. Schafer/Anelli M/S/P	

Respectfully Submitted

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