

Strengthening Families Practice Model Implementation Team

March 1, 2012

Task

Consider options for workgroups, finalize recommendations for the RAC.

Recommendations

The following workgroups are recommended. The first 4 are suggested as standing committees, and the last one (regional service system) is thought to be short-term. It is expected that regional services will be a focus of each workgroup, but this ad-hoc workgroup will help to establish a fuller picture of the regional service network. A DCF point person is identified to serve as co-lead with a RAC member.

	Workgroup	DCF Co-Lead	Email
1.	Early childhood workgroup	Lisa Sedlock-Reider, Middletown Office Director	Lisa.sedlock-reider@ct.gov
2.	Adolescent workgroup	Christopher Gardner, Adolescent and Parole Services Manager, Norwich	Christopher.Gardner@ct.gov
3.	Foster Care/Kinship	Jonathan Jacaruso, Systems Development Program Director	Jonathan.Jacaruso@ct.gov
4.	Education workgroup (focus on school aged, primarily 6-13 yrs)	Dianne Breton, Willimantic Office Director	Dianne.Breton@ct.gov
5.	Regional Service System	Jonathan Jacaruso, Systems Development Program Director with Laureen Sheehan, Clinical Director	Jonathan.Jacaruso@ct.gov Laureen.Sheehan@ct.gov

Next Steps Recommended:

1. RAC members and interested parties can contact the DCF leads identified if interested in serving on the workgroup.
2. At the next RAC Board meeting (5/3/2012), Board will finalize workgroups.
3. Target mid-May: workgroups meet for initial meeting
4. Target late May: RBA workshop with Diana Urban focused on building RBA templates for each workgroup.