

Region 4 Advisory Council Full Members Meeting

June 21, 2016
Hartford DCF Office
250 Hamilton Street
Hartford, CT

Members Present:: Deb Bastie, Alice Farrell, Bryan Flint, Brenetta Henry, Wayne Johnson (DCF), Beth Landolina (DCF), Nick Lebron, Donna Maitland-Ward (DCF), Denetra McBride, Evelyn Melendez Judi Orlando, Lisa Palazzo, Sandra Rivera, Malika Robledo, Kathy Schiessl, Joanne Tremblay-Jackson, Ofelia Velazquez, Maureen Flanagan, Joanne Monialy, Robert Brown, Josh Gonzalez, Victor Sterling, Steph Landon, Donna Redway, Kenneth Cayones, Aida Diaz-LaCilento, Dean Scott

Voting Members Absent: Jeremiah Ames, Leslie Ames, Sarah Becker, Sophia Brown, Tim Carroll, Carlene Davis, Hector Glynn, Diane Kearney, Alana Parkinson, Martha Stone, Linda Trigilio, Beresford Wilson

The DCF Region 4 RAC meeting was held at the Hartford DCF office from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM. This meeting is for the full membership & DCF Staff.

Overview of Meeting

The overview of the meeting was for a Connect Presentation and the voting results and proposal.

CONNECT Presentation

- 4 year federal grant to build intergrated systems to help children and families
- \$1,000,000 per year for 4 years
- Building regional networks of care and family engagement are priority areas
- 6 teams and committees working on this
- CLAS standard for health care-12 agencies looking to see how are they doing with these standards
- CHDI, FAVOR, AFCAMP are all working on this grant
- DCF, Beacon Health Options and the other agencies listed all working on the grant

- Data integrations work-co-lead FAVOR and OPM
- How accessible is the information?
- How is the data collected?
- Social marketing and communication awareness and outreach
- Workforce-have our system be family driven
- Network of Care transformation workshops
- Have champions to help bridge the gap-20 workshops throughout the state
- 7 will be Spanish speaking workshops
- There are 325 family champions
- 2 Champions personal stories and why they decided to become champions will be told
- Transformation of the Connect program
- Development of the network in the Regions
- Network Analysis-will send out a survey to agencies
- Data 101 training-coming up with a way to make data accessible and manageable in the community-show how to read the data
- Data dashboard handout given-what else do you want to see?
- Ct.data.org is the website-scroll down to Connect dashboard and click it will take you to the dashboard then click the Region (north central is our region)to get our information
- There are different sections: Education, Juvenile, Behavior Health and more
- Presentation included showing RAC members how to use the website
- Showed everyone how to move around the website to get information they need
- Efforts to recruit family members is important-we need more family members
- Need to integrate more meeting, RAC, SAC and other advisory boards
- Inventory and list all the agencies that participate in these meetings
- With more people looking at the data it will become more up to date
- More than 100 data sources used and not all state departments are in yet

Educational Sub-Committee

- Asking for members to join this committee
- This committee needs to address the issues and concerns around education
- The Regions performance expectation is around education of DCF youth
- We need to develop strategies and educations and achievement
- Focus and target the area we want to work on
- New Committee members: Lisa Palazzo, Joanne Trembley-Jackson, Evelyn Melendez, Bryan Flint and Brenetta Henry
- We have someone form the CRP (Citizen Review Panel) to come and present and collaborate

LIST

- JJ focused collaborative
- 3 year grant of \$72,000
- Parent education, parent involvement, internet safety and services for JJ populations
- Engaging school resource officers
- Each court has a LIST

Voting

- Term 2019 = Deb Batsie-Hernandez, Tim Carroll, Hector Glynn, Nick Lebron, Manny Maldonado, Judi Orlando, Evelyn Mendez, Milagros Vega, Lisa Palazzo Joanne Tremblay-Jackson is an alternate Voting member
- Proposal tabled-Wayne will email everyone

Motion to adjourn by Brenetta and 2nd by Joanne, the Region 4 RAC full membership meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM

Submitted by,
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