

Public Private Partnership Meeting

July 14, 2017

Attendees

- **PPP members:** Zophelia Conley (Youth Representative), Judge F. Scott McCown (UT Law CRC), Jean Shaw (CCL Associate Commissioner), Christine Gendron (TNOYS), Scott Lundy (Arrow), Tina Amberboy (SCCC), Wayne Carson (ACH Child & Family Services), Katie Olse (TX Alliance), Michael Redden (New Horizons/Co-Chair), Judge DeGerolami (CPC of South Central TX), Andy Homer (TX CASA), Glenn Scruggs (Giocosa), Jenifer Jarriel (DePelchin), Robert Ellis (Pegasus), Dr. Kurt Senske (Upbring), Luanne Southern (Casey Family Programs), Tim Brown (Methodist Children's Home), Judge Rob Hofman
- **Other Attendees:** Gretchen Fehrm (CPS), Ellen Letts (CPS), Linda Garcia (OCOK), Wendy Bagwell (CPS), Claire Hall (CPS), Kaysie Taccetta (CPS), Kim Wittenstrom (CPS), Jeff Smith (Therapeutic Family Life)
- **PPP Members Not in Attendance:** Adrian Gaspar (Youth Representative), Roy Block (Texas Foster Family Association), Sharayah Stiggers (Parent Advocate),

Welcome & Introductions

Legislation Overview (Handout)

- SB 4: Kinship Caregiver payments
- HB 5: DFPS as stand-alone agency outside HHS umbrella
- HB 7: Licensing changes
 - o CPS FAD division will not go away
- Rate increase approved
 - o Rate hearing is Monday at 9:00 am at Brown-Heatly building
 - o Any controversies with rates proposed?
 - Rates are straightforward however there will likely be discussion on the clarity of the rate methodology
 - Emergency Shelters did not receive a rate increase, so they may have a presence at the rate hearing on Monday
- Treatment Family Foster Care
 - o Legislature approved intense rate
 - o DFPS is working on a RFP to release (hopefully in September 2017)
- New Intense Plus Rate
 - o Working on criteria for rate
 - o Rate is higher than IPTP rate
 - o Designed as a step down rate for children in child-specific contracted placements and psychiatric hospitals
 - o How does rate increase play into the blended rate for SSCC
- Temporary Emergency Placement (TEP) Contract
 - o 4 different providers across the state
 - o Meant to support children who are without placement
 - o No eject, no reject contract for placement
 - o How is this different from ICC contract?
 - ICC is only in a limited area in the state
 - ICC focus on small population of children

- ICC includes both placement, case management and care coordination services for child and family
- Licensing changes
 - Regulatory portion of Licensing will be moved to HHSC
 - Investigation portion of Licensing will remain at DFPS
 - Letting staff know next week who will move to HHSC and who will stay at DFPS
 - A portion of admin support will be divided between HHSC and DFPS

SB 11 - Community Based Care (CBC) Implementation (Handout):

- Catchment Area: Region 3B
 - Working with ACH/OCOK on CBC contract renewal
 - Working on sorting out the funding from the Legislature
 - March 2018 begin readiness with ACH/OCOK
 - April 2018 begin transition of cases to ACH/OCOK
- Region 2 and additional catchment areas will be re-procured under new CBC model
 - Staged model roll-out
 - ❖ Stage 1 – Placement Services (children in paid foster care)
 - ❖ Stage 2 – Case Management Services (children, family, kinship care)
 - Should we look at adjacent catchment areas with roll-out? Need to obtain recommendations from PPP
 - Recommend that start and roll-out should be proposed by bidders to RFPs, as they know their community best
 - Should kinship care come into to stage 1 or 2 of roll-out
- If there is a major disagreement within the PPP, who has ultimate authority to make decisions? If going to plan workgroups with PPP members, want to make sure decision making is done through consensus
 - If department is ultimate decision maker, then how does the PPP really serve in an “advisory” capacity?
 - If workgroups will be developed, members need to know that they will be doing a lot of work and making recommendations, but the department will make the ultimate decision
 - Workgroups can include SME from the state, provider staff, PPP members, any others that can contribute
- 5 targeted areas of focus:
 - Fiscal Matters
 - **Members:** Katie Olse, Scott Lundy, Andy Homer, CFOs from agencies
 - Continuity of Care & Process Evaluation
 - **Members:** Tina Amberboy, Rob Hofman, Katie Olse
 - IT Systems
 - **Members:** Robert Ellis, Jennifer Jarriel
 - Performance Outcomes and Quality Case Management
 - **Members:** Judge F. Scott McCown, Luanne Southern, Tina Amberboy, Christine Gendron
 - Cultural Change and Communication
 - **Members:** Glen Scruggs
- Workgroup descriptions will be provided to PPP members
- Casey Family Programs can help with meeting space
- How much flexibility do workgroups have to think outside the box when designing outputs from workgroups?
 - Send out PPP by-laws to all members

Suggestions for Next Meeting:

- Workgroup updates
- PPP would like feedback on the decision on Region 2 procurement
 - o It is expensive to respond to RFP
 - o If no feedback received, bidders may be hesitant to respond to RFP

Wrap Up and Adjourn

- Next PPP Meeting:
 - o Date – October 13, 2017
 - o Time - 9:00 am
 - o Location – Winters Building, Public Hearing Room, 701 West 51st Street, Austin, TX