

California Child Welfare Council
DATA LINKAGE AND INFORMATION SHARING (DLIS) COMMITTEE NOTES
DECEMBER 4, 2017 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

Welcome & Introductions

Action Items:

- Approval of September 6th Meeting Notes – Moved, Seconded, Approved.

Discussion Items:

- National/State/Local Project Updates— Brief summaries and updates on progress of national, state and local initiatives or studies - “Data in the News” (Laurie Kappe)
 - o Antiquated computer system in LA County hinders data collection
 - o Silicon Valley Regional Data Trust are linking school and child welfare data in Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, and San Mateo counties
 - o USC researchers helped to create \$31 million child care bridge program for foster families
 - o Upcoming events:
 - Child Abuse Prevention Hackathon – Los Angeles – Dec 9 & 10
 - Beyond the Bench – San Diego – Dec 19 & 20
 - o Full document of stories available online:
<http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx>
 - o If you have additional news, please forward to Laurie Kappe at lkappe@iecomm.org
- Child Welfare Digital Services Updates
 - o Release of first product – “History Snapshot” - January 2018
 - Search for individuals in CWS/CMS with a full history of the child and associated contacts, and other information
- Other Updates
 - o Educational Data Linkages – Emily Putnam-Hornstein – Children’s Data Network
 - Data sharing agreement just completed with Department of Education
 - Cohort: Entered Kindergarten 2009/2010 (and possibly one other) school year. Link vital records, child welfare, etc.
 - Examine which interventions may contribute to better education outcomes.
 - o More Educational Data Linkages – Alicia Sandoval – CDSS Child Welfare Data Analysis Bureau
 - Many new education records provided to Child Welfare Data Analysis Bureau (CWDAB)
 - They will link these data files to child welfare data records for new reporting
 - o To capture these important developments around education, Laurie Kappe will write a brief article detailing the impact of this work in the past and opportunities for the future.
 - o Due to some of the attention around providing SNAP to foster youth in college, a ACL was distributed. Since the ACL, many more youth are using this valuable resources
- Discussion about the subcommittee name
 - o This committee is not just about information sharing but deriving benefit from information
 - Quality improvement

- Policy analysis
 - Accountability
- Action item for next meeting: Discussion about subcommittee name change
- Potential Presentations for February Meeting
 - CW Digital Services demonstration –June – hotline tool with search feature
 - CANS implementation
 - Emily Putnam Hornstein – PRM proof of concept
 - Diane Daily – predictive analytics, data mapping, prevention
 - Dashboard for monitoring the outcomes derived around CCR reform

**Presentation: Teri Kook, Vice President Family Resilience Strategies – Empire Health Foundation
“Family Impact Network: Supporting Public and Private Efforts to Transition Vulnerable Children and Families from Crisis to Stability”**

- Concern that many services were being provided to children and families in Washington State with no sense of the good being done. There was a move toward greater oversight (Network Administrator) and evidence based contracting (examination of outcomes) so that there is greater attention to service delivery and effectiveness.
- Before:
 - Reports were produced on pen and paper, faxed or emailed to social worker
 - Providers would accept the referral even if they couldn’t provide services for several weeks
 - Providers were dropping their visitation contracts or curtailing referrals due to lack of mileage reimbursement
- After:
 - Supported the purchase of computers to digitize provider agencies
 - Started and built capacity building funds to bring on specialized providers to fill unmet needs
 - Standardized procedures so that providers can only accept referrals when they can serve those clients within a week
 - Created a safety net for the network as a whole to diminish the impact of the unexpected exit of larger provider(s)
 - Tightened billing procedures to address problematic billing
 - Saved 33% on concrete goods through bulk purchasing
 - Quantified the impacts of a new policy re: mileage reimbursement to describe how much money providers were losing, and the degree to which providers were leaving due to policy
 - Collaborated with Partners for Our Children to develop “Oliver” to automate all processes and capture key data. Provided extensive technical assistance to assist services providers in converting to “Oliver.”
 - Used foundation money to fund and demonstrate impact of innovations (e.g., use of Uber to help parents attend visits)
 - Created a learning community that focuses on data to drive practice improvements
 - Outcomes
 - Increased the overall rate of parental visitation
 - Increased the rate at which providers provided service within 1 week of referral
 - Working toward tracking long-term child welfare outcomes (permanency, etc.)
- Slides available on CWC website: <http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx>

Presentation: Scott Christman, Chief Information Office – Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development & Michael Valle – Manager, Tech Policy and Planning - Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development

“The 1849 Collaborative ‘Data Commons’ Project”

- Born out of the open data work that is being done across 12 departments under HHS
- Goal: That the data across multiple HHS departments are brought together in a single portal for better collaboration; to create a space (virtual forum) where different departments and supporting organizations can collaborate to address each other’s needs in terms of creating more open data
- Concept
 - o “Social Layer” for data – Facilitate communication and collaboration between stakeholders who use (or would like to use) data to improve health and wellbeing in CA.
- Desired outcomes
 - o Replicate successful models across the state
 - o Generate buy-in for new and innovative approaches
 - o Create cross-sector collaboration and engagement that doesn’t require high levels of expertise
- Audience/Users
 - o CA HHS
 - o County staff
 - o Community & Service providers
 - o Data enablers – Civic Tech (e.g., Code for America), media, researchers, etc.
- So far
 - o Website – In “closed beta” (password protected) – <https://1849.co>
 - o Online forum – several active communities currently testing the platform:
 - Let’s Get Healthy California
 - Local Health Data Managers and Epidemiologists (CCLHDME)
 - Code for Sacramento
 - o More than 250 data sets
- Future steps:
 - o Solicit more community participants, moderators/owners
 - o Integrate with additional data resources
 - o Additional features
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Discussion of Presentations

- Occurred throughout the presentations

Committee Adjourned; Next Meeting February 28 (San Francisco)

- Action item: Discussion about subcommittee name change