Welcome & Introductions

Action Items:
- Approval of September 4th Meeting Notes – Moved, Seconded, Approved.

Discussion Items:
- ADA Compliance for References
  - Please note that any attachments or future references that will be posted to the Child Welfare Council website (http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx) for this meeting must be ADA compliant
  - 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)
    - Multiple school transfers contribute to high absenteeism among foster students (EdSource)
    - Preventative measures are needed in child welfare policy, data shows (The Hill)
    - To help foster youth with education, more data, analysis needed, experts say (Youth Today)
    - We won’t improve maltreatment prevention without better data sharing (The Chronicle of Social Change)
    - Heed neglect, disrupt child maltreatment: A call to action for researchers (Springer Link)
    - Federal agencies need data hunters to enhance performance (Nextgov)
    - New toolkit available to help child welfare leaders utilize data to support expectant and parenting youth (John Burton Advocates for Youth)
    - Webinar: Let’s get technical group (National Interoperability Collaborative and Stewards of Change Institute)
    - Document available on CWC website: http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx
- Potential presentations for March meeting
  - OSI should make a presentation to the larger Child Welfare Council on the status of CWS-CARES. OSI staff agree that this would be a good item for the March meeting.
  - In addition, as will become apparent in the presentation, we should also have regular updates from OSI on CWS-CARES in this meeting as well.
  - Patrick Garner – Research on access to mental health services using cross-system data
  - Denise Hertz recently conducted administrative data linkage analysis on cross-over youth (CA + multiple states) – talk to Laurie Kappe for contact information
  - Matt Schueller has colleagues (OSI + vendors) that could speak to event driven architecture for tracking child welfare data
- Directions for this committee for the next 36 months
  - Specific discussion of Family First prevention data elements and sharing
  - Federal outcome measurement (CFSR) in a Family First context
Out of the other committees, what are their data wishlists, with this subcommittee offering advice or suggestions about how to satisfy the needs

Discussion of the state Research Data Hub and better utilization

When Daniel Webster receives the notes from the larger Council meeting on directions for the coming 3 years, he will circulate to this workgroup. He requests that DLIS subcommittee members use that as an opportunity to add any additional ideas for this meeting.

Presentation: Matt Schueller, Chief Deputy Director, Office of Systems Integration, “Current Status: CARES-Live; CARES Development Approach, CARES Enterprise Architecture”
- CARES-Live released in March = Search, Snapshot (history), Child & Adolescent Needs & Strengths (CANS) assessments
  - Over the last 3 months, CANS completion has taken great leaps – from approximately 1000 assessments to over 3000
  - Testimonials from workers/supervisors about the use of CARES-Live and value-added
- Accelerated development – platform as a service
  - This will speed development because applications are fully customizable but can still be implemented much faster than building code from the ground up
  - OSI evaluated over 12 vendors who submitted prototypes (proofs-of-concept) based on suggested use-cases
  - Market research based on a number of considerations, including:
    - CCWIS compliant
    - User-centered design
    - Adaptability to program changes
    - Security
    - Data architecture
    - Data sharing
  - Lessons learned
    - Data architecture
    - ACYF approves the use of platform
    - Need for planning – OSI has a product blueprint for CWS-CARES
    - Customer resource/relationship management (CRM) would be the best platform for CWS-CARES
  - 2 companies currently provide CRM platforms
    - Microsoft & Salesforce
    - Conducted comparison of both companies based on a number of items/questions, including:
      - Speed of development
      - Their analysis of gaps in the CWS-CARES product blueprint
      - Data exchange with other systems
      - CWS-CARES services/components/functions that would still need to be built from the ground-up and their ability to do so
      - Their approach to agile production
      - Mature user experience
      - Cost
      - Many more
OSI determined that Salesforce would be the best solution for CWS-CARES
  • OSI has received ACYF approval for planning efforts with Salesforce
  • OSI has submitted their work to CA for approval as well
  • OSI will soon submit a request to ACYF to approve implementation with Salesforce

CWS-CARES Enterprise Architecture
  • Sandbox piloting of new CWS-CARES modules
  • Incremental conversion, cleaning, and monitoring of data from the legacy system to the new CWS-CARES system
  • Delivery of modules to live production in larger, more developed chunks
  • Slide available on CWC website: http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx

Timeline
  • Over the next months, much more planning and development of product blueprint
  • Expect to start building again in Fall 2020
  • Ultimately 3 years from start to finish, dependent on the details

Discussion
  • Occurred throughout presentation

Committee Adjourned; Next Meeting March 3, 2020 (744 P St. Sacramento CA 95814)