

## FAIRFAX-FALLS CHURCH CHILDREN'S SERVICES for AT-RISK CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES



# October 28, 2022 Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT) Virtual Meeting due to COVID-19 Emergency Procedures

# **Meeting Minutes**

<u>Attendees</u>: Lesley Abashian (office), Staci Alexander (Alexandria, VA), Michael Axler (office), Michael Becketts (office), Michael Boyd (Richmond, VA), Deb Evans (Ashburn, VA) Annie Henderson (office), Richard Leichtweis (office), Rick Leichtweis (office), Chris Leonard (home), Dana Jones (office), Dawn Schaefer (office), Rebecca Sharp (office), Matt Thompson (office), Lloyd Tucker (office), Daryl Washington (home)

## Attended but not heard during heard during roll call:

Absent: Joe Klemmer, Jacqueline Benson, Gloria Addo-Ayensu

HMF Attendees: LaVurne Williams, Peter Steinberg, Tracy Davis, Hilda Calvo Perez, Philethea Duckett,

<u>CSA Management Team Attendees</u>: Xu Han, Barbara Martinez, Jessica Jackson, Kamonya Omatete, Andrew Janos,

<u>Stakeholders and CSA Program Staff Present:</u> Janet Bessmer, Kristina Kallini, Kendra Rascoe, Jeanne Veraska, Sarah Young, Samira Hotochin, Jesse Ellis, Katrina Smith,

### **FOIA Related Motions:**

I move that each member's voice may be adequately heard by each other member of this CPMT. Motion made by Chris Leonard; second by Michelle Boyd; all members agree, motion carries.

Second, having established that each member's voice may be heard by every other member, we must next establish the nature of the emergency that compels these emergency procedures, the fact that we are meeting electronically, what type of electronic communication is being used, and how we have arranged for public access to this meeting.

State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for this CPMT to physically assemble and unsafe for the public to physically attend any such meeting, and that as such, FOIA's usual procedures, which require the physical assembly of this CPMT and the physical presence of the public, cannot be implemented safely or practically. I further move that this CPMT may conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated auto conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling: 571-429-5982; participant access code: 852 349 956#. It is so moved.

Motion made by Chris Leonard; seconded by Lesley Abashian; all members agree, motion carries.

Finally, it is next required that all the matters addressed on today's are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations and the discharge of the CPMT's lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Motion made by Chris Leonard; seconded by Daryl Washington; all members agree, motion carries.

- 1. **MINUTES:** Approve minutes of September 23, 2022, CPMT meeting. Officially approved at the December CPMT meeting.
- 2. **ITEMS:**
- Administrative Items: none

#### • CSA CONTRACT ITEMS:

**Item C – 1:** Out of State Residential Child Specific Contract Activity – Barbara Martinez. Since the last CPMT meeting, CSA management team has approved two Child Specific Contracts. Currently there are 10 out of state Child Specific Contracts and 3 youth from out of state facilities have come home and their contracts have been terminated.

#### • CSA INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Item I 1: Recommendations from State Workgroup Moving Special Education to VDOE Michael Becketts and Janet Bessmer. Work group did recommend that educational funding should move from OCS (CSA) to VDOE (School systems). They also recommended that transition (transitioning from private day/RTC to public school) funding and funding for foster care children who need private day move to VDOE. It was recommended that Special Ed Wraparound funds would remain with CSA. Furthermore, they recommended new funding to public schools to provide individualized services/supports in the school setting. The final report will be released In November. School representatives commented that the school systems would not have the infrastructure or ability to support this change.
- Item I 2: Review of Proposed Changes to Quarterly CPMT Data Report Jeanne Veraska. CSA
  recommended new goals/information to add to the Quarterly CPMT Data Report. Daryl Washington
  asked for clarification on the substance abuse referrals. Janet Bessmer clarified this goal is to track how
  many children coming out of hospitals and receiving substance abuse services, received expediated
  services and how these services are utilized. Mr. Washington suggested to collaborate with CSB to
  ensure measures/definitions used by CSA are consistent with the CSB's.
- Item I 3: Update on Service Continuum for Opioid Involved Youth Janet Bessmer, Barbara Martinez, and Jessica Jackson. An explanation of the process that has been developed for opioid-involved youth was shared.
- Private Provider Items none
- CPMT Parent Representative Items none
- Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church Items none
- Public Comment none

**Adjourn pm:** Motion to adjourn made by Daryl Washington; seconded by Deb Evans; all members agree, motion carries.

Next Meeting: December 9, 2022, 1:00 – 3:00pm (location TBD)