



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



April 28, 2023

Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT)

Location

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Lesley Abashian, Michael Axler, Michael Becketts, Michelle Boyd, Joe Klemmer, Dana Jones, Richard Leichtweis, Chris Leonard, Dawn Schaefer, Daryl Washington,

Absent: Lloyd Tucker, Matt Thompson, Annie Henderson, Gloria Addo-Ayensu, Staci Alexander, Deb Evans, Rebecca Sharp

HMF Attendees: Peter Steinberg,

CSA Management Team Attendees: Kelly Conn-Reda, Barbara Martinez, Jessica Jackson, Tim Elcesser, Kamonya Omatete, Mary Jo Davis, Desiree Roberts

Stakeholders and CSA Program Staff Present: Janet Bessmer, Kristina Kallini, Jamie Mysorewala, Lisa Morton, Jeanne Veraska, Chris Metzbower, Samira Hotochin, Sarah Young

1. **MINUTES:** Approve minutes of February 24, 2023. *Motion made by Lesley Abashian; seconded by Michael Becketts; all members agree, motion carries.*

2. **ITEMS:**

• **Administrative Items:**

Item A – 1: Plan for MHI State Funding for FY 24 – Presented by Janet Bessmer and LaVurne Williams. CPMT approval is requested for the updated Mental Health State Initiative funds for FY24 (breakdown in handout). Michael Becketts asked what is the plan after two years? LaVurne Williams replied that the CSB fiscal team is looking into how to sustain beyond year two. Janet Bessmer suggested that if needed, CSA funds could be explored. Rick Leichtweis asked how many youth are currently served? LaVurne Williams responded that just over 70 youth are currently being served. *Motion made by Rick Leichtweis; seconded by Michelle Boyd; all members agree, motion carries.*

• **CSA CONTRACT ITEMS:**

Item C – 1: CPMT Contract Information – Presented by Barbara Martinez. Three new child specific contracts were approved by CSA Management Team in March. Currently there are a total of 13 child specific contracts (four of which are out of state).

• **CSA INFORMATION ITEMS:**

Item I – 1: Purposed schedule for next year – we will discuss option for two virtual meetings at the May meeting.

Item I – 2: Budget report – Presented by Desiree Roberts. Overall, spending has increased, however, the total number of youth served are less than pre pandemic numbers. Janet Bessmer mentioned that

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CSA is beginning to do outreach to increase numbers.

- **NOVACO – Private Provider Items** – none
 - **CPMT Parent Representative Items** – Joe Klemmer suggested educating the public about group homes.
 - **Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church Items** – Lesley Abashian shared that the City of Fairfax has developed a team that’s doing crisis response and outreach.
 - **Public Comment** – none
 - **Staff Comment** – none
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- *CPMT members, CSA Management Team and CSA staff participated in a facilitated discussion regarding future meeting structure and topics.*

Next Meeting: May 19, 1:00 – 3:00pm (Government Center, Room 120-C)

Adjourn 2:50pm: *Motion to adjourn, all members agree, motion carries.*

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