

**California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA)
Children's System of Care Committee
Meeting**

**CMHDA
2125 19th Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95818**

In the Sequoia Conference Center

M E E T I N G R E P O R T

Date & Time: December 8, 2011, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Attendees: Heather Anders, *CMHDA*; William Arroyo, *Los Angeles*; Katie Astor, *San Diego*; Kirsten Barlow, *CMHDA*; Lisa Bertaccini, *Sacramento*; Dane Cervine (via conf. line), *Santa Cruz*; Erlys Daily, *Riverside*; Jim Dickinson (via conf. line), *CDSS*; Marty Giffin, *CMHACY*; Clark Marshall, *MHSOAC*; Shelley Nilsen, *Humboldt*; Carolyn Novosel, *Alameda*; Michele Peterson, *CCCMHA*; Patricia Ryan, *CMHDA*; Michael Schertell, *San Bernardino*; Sid Smith (via conf. line), *Monterey*; Theresa Smith, *Yolo*; Paul Sorbo (via conf. line), *San Mateo*; Kim Suderman, *Yolo*; Lynn Thomas (via conf. line), *Amador*; Lynn Thull, *CACFS*; April Waldo (via conf. line), *Sierra*; Wesley Wong (via conf. line), *San Francisco*

Topics of General Discussion:

- CMHDA Report
 - Out-of-County Foster Care
 - It was noted that an issue to discuss is the EPSDT funding for 2012-13.
 - The assessment workgroup will present their findings to the Child Welfare Council.
 - Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS)
 - It was noted that San Mateo, Amador and two additional counties are done with their MOUs for this year.
 - It was noted that some have heard that in some counties, education is only willing to pay for certain things and it may be because they need more education on what is needed for the children.
 - In San Bernardino, they carved out administrative expense and schools are paying the CPE expenditure.
 - It was noted that if counties do not use all of their AB 100 money, then it will be sent back to the state and redistributed to counties.
 - DHHS Letter on Prescribing Psychotropic Medication to Children in Foster Care
 - It was noted that each state director will be asked to report on the safe guards in place regarding over-prescribing.
 - Heather Anders will ask Jim Dickinson at CDSS what the state has included in their plan (as is noted on the first page of the letter).
 - The state is requesting feedback on this issue and CMHDA can provide feedback to them.
 - In addition to the CSOC Committee reviewing this letter, the CMHDA MSSOC Committee is also discussing the letter.
 - Katie A
 - It was reported that there was a special session meeting during the day at the last settlement meeting.
 - The Special Master, Rick Saletta, would like for what has been accomplished in Los Angeles to also be done in the rest of the state.
 - It was noted that Intensive Home-Based Mental Health Services and some other services (like Intensive Care Coordination) are parts of the settlement that counties should look at.
 - It was reported that Child and Family Support Services Inc., based in Arizona, presented at a recent meeting.

- CDSS could be asked what kinds of agencies already provide these types of services.
 - In Los Angeles they are planning to have a birth-5 year old plan as part of the settlement.
 - The service array in Los Angeles helps to serve kids who are already in the child welfare system better than kids who are at imminent risk.
 - Consumer Satisfaction Survey
 - It was noted that this will roll out soon.
 - If you already completed this in this fiscal year, then you don't have to do it again. If you have not done it, then you have to do it the first week of December (December 5-9, 2011).
 - Report from the CMHDA Governing Board Retreat
 - The committee chairs walked through a PowerPoint presentation that was presented at the Governing Board Retreat and presented information on how revenue to counties has changed over the years.
 - Budget/Legislative Report
 - Kirsten Barlow reported that CSAC worked on how to preserve the constitutional amendment for the counties and they have launched a site: www.protectlocalservices2012.com.
 - It was also noted that the Governor sent out a letter about the new proposed ballot initiatives.
 - CSAC now needs to determine what ballot initiative to get behind.
 - For the CSAC initiative, it would cost \$6 million to get the signatures and advertise the initiative.
 - AB 109
 - William Arroyo reported that he talked with individuals from Department of Juvenile Justice regarding the release of 18-19 year olds to the counties as part of AB 109.
 - The CMHDA Forensics Executive Committee has begun to talk with DJJ about this.
- CSOC Regional Reports
 - Central
 - There has been no new activity this month.
 - Bay
 - It was reported that the last meeting was very well attended, with 35 people in attendance.
 - It was noted that San Francisco is in a transition now and they have not re-assigned Sai-Ling's position.
 - Los Angeles
 - William Arroyo distributed information that the county has developed on bullying and how to be safe in an emergency. They used their WET funds to help pay for the products.
 - Southern
 - It was noted that in Riverside County they have an RFP that will come out for their Van Horn facility.
- Association/Agency Reports
 - California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)
 - Clark Marshall noted that he is the lead staff for the Services Committee and they are working on their 2012 mission and goals.
 - California Mental Health Advocates for Children and Youth (CMHACY)
 - The CMHACY save the date and call for papers was distributed to the committee (it is also posted to the CSOC handouts page located at: <http://www.cmhda.org/go/Committees/ChildrensSystemofCareCommitteeCSOC/CSOCHandouts.aspx>).
 - Marty Giffin asked if anyone had ideas for keynote or plenary speakers for the conference.
 - There may be a pre-conference on Wednesday morning.
 - California Council of Community Mental Health Agencies
 - It was reported that the Mental Health Policy Forum is currently being planned.
 - There will be a session on criminal justice and realignment regarding youth on February 8th in the afternoon.

- Update on CMHDA's CSOC/ASOC TAY Subcommittee
 - Heather Anders reported that two TAY Resource Guide chapters, First Onset of Mental Illness and the Evidence Based and Promising Practices Chapter will be going to the CMHDA Governing Board in December for review and approval.
- CIMH Report
 - Theresa Smith reported that there was a recent meeting at CIMH on the Palate of Measures.
 - Ms. Smith also noted that they are working with CIMH on Trauma Focused - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) training and they are trying to get more people for this training.
- Housekeeping and Develop January's Agenda
 - The next CMHDA CSOC Committee meeting is January 19, 2012, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm at CMHDA, 2125 19th Street, Second Floor, Sacramento, CA 95818.

List of Recommendations/Decisions/Motions:

- The minutes from the October 20, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Task List:

- Heather Anders will ask Jim Dickinson at CDSS what the state has included in their plan (as is noted on the first page of the letter) regarding the DHSS letter on prescribing psychotropic medications to children in foster care.

The next Committee Meeting for the CMHDA CSOC Committee will be held:

**January 19, 2012
10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

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