

PCCYFS Children's Services Policy Days

Felicita Garden Resort and Spa

Monday, October 18, 2010

Agenda

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m.

Discussion with Office of Children, Youth and Families

9:30 a.m.

Richard Gold, Deputy Secretary

Cathy Utz, Director, Bureau of Policy, Programs and Operations

Additional invited staff from OCYF

Items of priority interest include:

- Statewide Trending – cases accepted, placements, permanencies
- Fostering Connections Act Implementation
 - Education, Transportation and Placement Considerations
 - Guidance to be offered
 - Supports for youth aging out of care – cost projections?
- Safety Assessments
 - Implications for foster family care providers
 - Training Plan
- Program Improvement Plan (PIP)
 - Status, Priorities and Implications
- Bulletins
 - Recently released/under development
- Practice Priorities
 - ◆ NGA/Casey Initiative to Safely Reduce Number of Children in Foster Care
 - County Plan Updates and Trends.
 - Interventions have counties used to reduce out-of home placements
 - Effective in-home service models
 - ◆ Evidence-Based and Promising Practices
 - Utilization
 - Expansion of Options?
- Frequency & Tracking of Visitation of Youth in Care
 - Are appropriate visits by providers being recorded? Are numbers looking better?

Lunch

Noon

- Title IV-E and Act 148 maximum allowable rate process
 - Status/clarity of ACF Guidance
- Budget Projections for 2011-2012
- General Updates/OCYF DPW Priorities
 - Transition planning
 - Defining priorities for new administration

Discussion with the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission

Keith Snyder, Deputy Director

Rick Steele, Director of Policy & Program Development

- Approaching formal conclusion of MacArthur Foundation Models for Change Initiative - what's next for PA Juvenile Justice?
- Looking for "Champions".
- Juvenile Court Dispositions data - trends in residential and community-based service patterns, lengths-of-stay.
- Emerging practices in PA Juvenile Justice, not yet data-driven.
- PACTT; YLS; Qii - an overview and how initiatives affect private providers and help achieve JCJC goals.

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Discussion with Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

9:30 a.m.

Stan Mrozowski, Director, Bureau of Children's Behavioral Health Services

Scott Talley, Chief of Operations and Service Delivery Division

Val Vicari, Director of Western Operations

Julie Barley, Acting Director of Eastern Operations

A Discussion About HealthChoices Behavioral Health

- Overview of the HealthChoices Program since the inception
- Statewide standards (contractual requirements)
- HealthChoices Utilization Data
- Service options and provider networks
- Evidence Based Practices
- Eligibility of HC membership enrollment/dis/reenrollment
- Medical Necessity Criteria
- Timeliness standards for authorization and payment of services
- Dialogue:
 - ◆ What is working and what is not working
 - ◆ Problem identification and resolution

Lunch

around noon

A Discussion About Items of Priority Interest

- "Call for Change" Priorities and Children's Behavioral Health System Transformation Activity
- Youth and Family Institute and High Fidelity Wraparound Implementation
- SAMHSA System of Care Grant
- PRTF Regulations Status
- RTF Outcomes Process/Findings
 - ◆ What is the status of the project? Will it continue? Expand?
- Budget Projections and current impacts on service access
- Early Childhood Mental Health Initiative
- Supporting Transition Age Youth and Young Adults