



# CAMI Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

DOJ - Portland Office, Tilikum Room  
Tuesday, August 13, 2019 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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*Council Members Present:* Patty Kenyon, Tina Morgan, Tammi Pitzen, Andy Pulver (for Kevin Barton), Marilyn Reilly, Shelly Smith, Chandra Snyder (for Tami Kane-Suleiman)

*Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division (CVSSD) Staff Present:* Robin Reimer

*Council Members Absent:* Kevin Barton, Carol Chervenak, Rahela Rehman, Matt Shirtcliff

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## **Welcome, Introduction**

Robin Reimer welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

## **November Meeting Minutes**

The Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (CAMI) Advisory Council (AC) approved the minutes from May 2019.

## **Network & RSP Updates**

Please see attached reports.

The group discussed providing talking points about the name change from Child Abuse Intervention Center (CAIC) to Child Abuse Center (CAC).

## **DOJ and CAMI Updates**

Victim of Crimes Act (VOCA) Competitive applications are currently under review. CVSSD received approximately twice as many applications as anticipated. There were eleven applications in the child abuse response category and requests for funding focused on expanding forensic interview, medical, mental health therapy, and advocacy programs.

The VOCA non-competitive Request for Applications (RFA) has been released and applications are due Aug 30. The noncompetitive funding has been offered to 24 CACs. CACs may apply for less than the maximum allocation if they believe they cannot use the full amount of funding offered. Projected allocation tables are located on the CVSSD web site as an appendix to the VOCA/Criminal Fine Account (CFA) RFA.



Recruitment for the Children's Justice Act (CJA) task force is almost complete. Including membership of the CAMI AC, most of the statutory roles are filled. Robin explained that she would like to add language to the draft CJA bylaws that with the CAMI AC member's consent, members of the CAMI AC are automatically appointed to the CJA Task Force. The CJA grant is funding intended to improve the investigation, prosecution, and judicial handling of cases of child abuse and neglect, particularly child sexual abuse and exploitation, in a manner that limits additional trauma to the child victim. Project areas identified by prior task force are 1. Cross system collaboration 2. Interviewing children with disabilities 3. Reducing recurrence of maltreatment in domestic violence 4. Improving underserved and diverse pops 5. Task force revitalization.

CVSSD now has both a weekly for fatality review teams and statewide fatality to disseminate to team members information, resources, training and best practices related to fatality review. CVSSD is also in the process of creating a forum for fatality review coordinators to share information with one another. The statewide child fatality review team will also be providing direct peer contacts.

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) received funding for a suicide prevention worker to work specifically with youth. Jill Baker is filling that role. The OHA suicide prevention team will be reaching out to fatality review teams to conduct a needs assessment related to suicide followed by technical assistance.

The group discussed some of the current challenges and delays in fatality reviews including changes at the state medical examiner's office and the process of obtaining information on which cases local teams must review. It is hoped that clarification related to which cases a county must review will be available soon.

The CAMI Program budget was released yesterday and as in past grant cycles, Robin will send an email to the AC with recommended allocation information.

The group discussed ideas for Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) Day per the goals set at the May AC meeting. It was suggested that a half day or late start may be best to allow for travel Monday morning. Robin will circulate a draft survey to the AC for input on MDT Day topics to determine attendees areas of greatest interest. Suggested topics include Karly's Law and drug exposure, symptoms flagged but not identified as Karly's Law, Karly's Law compliance issues, use of protocols, how to run an effective MDT meeting, the National Children's Alliance (NCA) Standards 1, 7 & 8, child fatality review best practices, budgeting CAMI funds, and county initiative highlights.

The group discussed differences in purpose of MDT review vs fatality review, group teams by size, population, with CAC in county, with CAC out of county; possible speakers suggested including western regional CAC or OHA representatives.

Next meeting November 7, 2019 9 AM-12 PM



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The last Network Membership meeting was held in May. The next meeting will be held in September 2019 and will expand from a one day meeting to a day and half.

The Network is working diligently to provide OCFIT trainings this year - We know there will be a training in November in Medford, OR. We're working with RSPs on identifying an additional training, but have run into issues of capacity amidst growing needs for services and increased community-based trainings.

The Network's legislative ask was unsuccessful this year - the increase of 3M per year would equate to a 15% increase in children being served by CACs. We're very thankful for all the folks who supported this ask and who understand the need for our services and are advocates for CACs in the community. We plan to go back to the legislature this short session. If you anyone on the CAMI AC is interested in partnering or supporting this effort please contact [becky@childabuseintervention.org](mailto:becky@childabuseintervention.org).

The Network has started two additional supportive services this year - the Rural Steering Committee which helps guide projects specific to rural or developing CACs and the medical professionals' community of practice which has been convening monthly and is growing its resourcing and engagement. The medical professionals will have a convening on September 24th in Portland to meet in-person and discuss important topics relevant to child abuse diagnosis and treatment. The Network will provide costs associated with the hotel including rooms and food but are unable to reimburse for travel expenses. If travel costs would be prohibitive to attendance folks should reach out to [sydney@childabuseintervention.org](mailto:sydney@childabuseintervention.org).

Children's Advocacy Centers is now the official name for all Centers in statute. Individual CACs may keep their own names and branding. However, the statewide organization has initiated a rebrand and overhaul of their website to be fully completed by mid-year next year. If anyone has requests, ideas, or input around the name change and/or the new website you can encourage them to reach out to their local CAC or to [becky@childabuseintervention.org](mailto:becky@childabuseintervention.org).

Trainings Updates: Western Regional CAC provided an MDT one-day training in Douglas County on Tuesday the 23rd which went well! The tentative plan for the next MDT Resiliency remotely-based training series is early 2020..

## Regional Service Provider (RSP) Collaborative Activities Summary April - June 2019

There were three meetings this quarter with representatives from each of the five Regional Service Providers (RSPs); ONCAIC Executive Director, Becky Jones, and Program Manager, Sydney Johns; CAMI Fund Coordinator, Robin Reimer and Grant Specialist, Amanda VanTil.

- 04/17/2019 via Telephone Conference
- 05/28/2019 In person in Roseburg
- 06/19/2019 via Telephone Conference

*Our values and goals:*

- *Equal access for all children in all counties;*
- *Standardization of resources and information (including E-Learning); and*
- *Fostering relationships (both among RSPs as well as between RSPs and the MDTs and CAICs served by the RSP).*

**General Updates**

- **Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training (OCFIT)**

OCFIT Curriculum Review and Train the Trainer was held in June. The next OCFIT will be held in November in Medford.

- **Designated Medical Professionals (DMP)**

The Network has developed the medical professionals' community of practice which has been convening monthly and is growing its resourcing and engagement. The medical professionals will have a convening on September 24th in Portland to meet in-person.

| <b>RSP Individual Center Highlights</b> |  |
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| KIDS Center                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ KIDS Center hosted a Regional Meet and Greet during the Child Abuse Summit Conference in Portland, Oregon. All regional and direct service county MDT members were invited and appetizers were provided by KIDS Center. KIDS Center staff attended and met with partners and discussed regional services available for their counties and grow relationships.</li> <li>▪ Additionally, KIDS Center coordinated scholarship opportunities for 12 Deschutes, Klamath and Lake County MDT members to attend the conference.</li> <li>▪ KIDS Center created and distributed a newsletter to all regional service provider county contacts. This quarter's newsletter included information on the upcoming OCFIT training, KIDS Center offerings, training links and AAP update on ongoing pediatric health care for maltreated children.</li> </ul> |
| Kids' FIRST                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provided scholarships for more than a dozen MDT members from Lane, Coos and Douglas counties to attend the Clackamas Child Abuse and Family Violence Summit.</li> <li>▪ Held multiple New MDT Member Orientation/Trainings covering Center services, forensic interviewing, medical exams, our DV Child Witness Project and Karly's Law for DHS, LE and DA's office personnel.</li> <li>▪ Provided training for mental health providers on working with youth who've experienced child sexual abuse, as well as testifying in court.</li> </ul>   |

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| <p>CARES Northwest (CNW)</p>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ We've had a strong turnout for interviewer and medical provider peer reviews. Interviewers representing 7 centers and 12 counties attended a peer review in May. That same month we held a medical peer review, attended by 15 medical providers from 5 centers and representing 5 counties.</li> <li>▪ CARES Northwest saw an increasing number of requests for assistance related to trauma specific therapy. Requestors sought help with: information on trauma treatment measures, technical support on how to provide mental health services at a center, and measures for screening clients for trauma therapy.</li> <li>▪ Dr. Dan Leonhardt continued to provide training on child abuse and the work of children's advocacy centers to new staff at the DHS Hotline (65 Hotline staff received training during the quarter).</li> <li>▪ Jennifer Wheeler presented at the Child Abuse Summit on "Dynamics of Abuse and Disclosure."</li> </ul> |
| <p>Children's Advocacy Center of Jackson County</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CACJC facilitated our Annual Southern Oregon Child Abuse Symposium in May. There were 100 participants from Jackson, Curry, and Josephine County as well as a few outside the region.</li> <li>▪ Weekly Forensic Interviewer Peer Reviews were held.</li> <li>▪ Regional Pediatric SANE Peer Review was held this quarter as well as opportunity for Medical peer Review</li> <li>▪ CACJC provided scholarships/stipends to The Child Abuse Summit to 5 people in our Region.</li> <li>▪ Cari Allen presented at a Conference in Redmond on How Children Disclose Abuse at the request of our local Juvenile Community Corrections who were facilitating the conference.</li> <li>▪ Dr Miller provided Karly's law training with Jackson County DDA to several local law enforcement agencies.</li> </ul>  |
| <p>Mt. Emily Safe Center</p>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Katie Greathouse provided FI a quarterly peer review via GoToMeeting with participants from Union &amp; Wallowa County and another in-person review requested by an OSP Detective serving Union &amp; Baker county.</li> <li>▪ Multiple staff traveled to Morrow, Grant, Umatilla, &amp; Baker County to attend each MDT meeting providing regional services information and gathering feedback to determine what the specific needs are for each county.</li> <li>▪ Katie Greathouse provided field interview training for Morrow, Grant, and Baker county LEA &amp; DHS case workers during those in-person MDT visits.</li> </ul>   |