



MEETING Minutes

CAMI Advisory Council

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Remote meeting

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Council Members: Kevin Barton, Becky Jones, Tina Morgan, Tammi Pitzen, Marilyn Reilly, Rahela Rehman, Jennifer Wynhausen for Deena Loughary, Cassy Miller

Guests: Johanna Costa, Rebecca Frolander, Mandy Decker

CVSSD DOJ Staff: Robin Reimer, Shannon Sivell, Kim Larson, Amanda VanTil

Council Members Absent: Patty Kenyon

Welcome, Introductions

Approval of June 2020 Meeting Minutes Tina moved to approve as written, Marilyn second, meeting minutes approved without corrections.

OCAS and Regional Service Provider report

Becky Jones reported to the group for Oregon Child Abuse Solutions (OCAS). OCAS is using D2L, a virtual learning platform, to deliver OCFIT. OCAS now has an advisory council for Designated Medical Professional training and is scheduling peer review and training for DMPs statewide. Tammi Pitzen reported for the Regional Service Providers. See attached Regional Service Provider Update.

Minimum Education Requirements for CAC Based Interviewers

Rebecca Frolander and Mandy Decker from Wallowa County joined the meeting. As representatives for their county, Rebecca and Mandy brought before the Council a request for an exception to the four-year Bachelors' degree requirement for Forensic Interviewers. In rural, less populous Oregon counties, this requirement is an obstacle to hiring Forensic Interviewers. The group reviewed the language in Oregon statutes related to educational qualifications applicable to DHS and Law Enforcement Officers conducting investigations as well as Appendix B to the Oregon Interviewing Guidelines (OIGs) for Forensic Interviewers. The group agreed that creating some flexibility is desirable. It was noted there is no degree requirement in the National Children's Alliance standards, no Oregon statutory requirement specific to center employed forensic interviewers, and that the OIGs are guidance as opposed to requirements. The CAMI Program Request For Applications does, however, require that when MDTs allocate CAMI funds to CACs, the MDT must ensure that the CAC Forensic Interviewer meets the Minimum Education Requirements. It was mentioned that to ensure clarity and consistency, both Appendix B. in the OIG and the CAMI grant requirement should be updated. Robin will follow up via email with a proposal.

Biased Crimes Program

Johanna Costa joined the meeting and member introductions were made. Johanna updated the group on the newly established Biased Response Program. Johanna highlighted a few new websites for the group: www.StandAgainstHate.oregon.gov and www.RacialEquityAlliance.org.

The remainder of the agenda was tabled for another meeting due to time.

Meeting adjourned: 12:06 PM

Next meeting: February 25, 2021 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

**Regional Service Provider (RSP)
Collaborative Activities Summary
July-September 2020**

Due to COVID-19 the Regional Service Providers did not meet in person. Representatives from each of the five Regional Children’s Advocacy Centers (RCACs), Becky Jones (Executive Director, Oregon Child Abuse Solutions), Robin Reimer (CAMI Fund Coordinator, CVSSD) and Amanda VanTil (Grant Specialist, CVSSD) met using a virtual platform on July 15, 2020 and September 9, 2020.

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).*

UPDATES

OCAS Updates (OCFIT, DMP & Other)

OCFIT Curriculum review concluding in July. Once interviewers have given their feedback and modules come out, each will get moved to branded slide deck. The modules will be reviewed by Robin/DOJ representatives, and the notes modified to be usable and clear for all trainers. Due to unexpected delays due to COVID-19, some project timelines have been extended and OCFIT and the DMP Conference will be held via virtual platform.

DMP teleconferences continue each month. The Task Force is requesting a certification process and DMP’s would like to be included.

First virtual OCFIT held: September 23-25 & October 1-2.

DMP Conference held: September 30

DOJ CAMI updates

Financial report verifications went out to CACs from CVSSD.

CAMI MDT and RSP applications will be out in late February or early March and will be the first applications in the upgraded E-Grants system.

RSP Individual Center Highlights	
KIDS Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In September 2020, KIDS Center conducted outreach to all medical providers in our region to attempt to schedule a regional peer review and to inform providers of the upcoming DMP training opportunity. • KIDS Center led a regional forensic interview peer review in August 2020 which included eleven participants • KIDS Center led a regional medical peer review in September 2020 in which three participants reviewed seven cases • KIDS Center provided a “Intro to KIDS Center and Karly’s Law” training to new staff with Deschutes County DHS in September 2020. This training was provided remotely.

Kids' FIRST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided six Forensic Interview Peer Review sessions for Lane, Coos and Douglas Counties • Provided three medical Peer Reviews for Lane, Coos and Douglas Counties • Provided in person training for Kids HOPE Center's new FI
CARES Northwest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held two virtual Interviewer peer reviews (8 hours each) during the quarter, with 12 Interviewers participating in the first one, and 18 in the second. We also held individual peer review sessions (2 hours each) for 2 Interviewers. We're excited to see the participation in these virtual peer reviews, as well as Interviewers reaching out for individual peer review when the group session isn't an option. • Dr. Leonhardt provided call coverage for 3 days for Lincoln County CAC staff and MDT partners to help with a staff shortage at the CAC. • We resumed on-site training of Medical Providers. We provided 96 hours of on-site training from July – September.
Children's Advocacy Center of Jackson County	
Mt. Emily Safe Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided virtual Forensic Interview Peer Review one time with participation from Union, and Wallowa County. • Provided virtual Medical Peer Review one time with participation from Baker County DMP. • Our medical provider, Tempie Bartell, provided complex case assistance for Baker and Umatilla County.