



MEETING Minutes

Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (CAMI) Advisory Council

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Remote Teams meeting, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Council Members:

X	Representative of Oregon Child Abuse Solutions (OCAS) Shelly Smith		Citizen with an interest in advocating for the medical interests of abused children Patricia K. Kenyon
	Representative from a local Child Advocacy Center recommended by Oregon Child Abuse Solutions (OCAS) Beatriz Lynch	X	Citizen with an interest in advocating for the medical interests of abused children Rahela Rehman
X	Employee of the State Office for Services to Children and Families Child Welfare Kristen Khamnohack	X	Representative from an Operating Regional Children’s Advocacy Center (CAC) Gil Levy
X	District Attorney Stacy Neil	X	Person having experience dealing with child abuse Tina Morgan
	Citizen with an interest in advocating for the medical interests of abused children VACANT		Law Enforcement Gary Bell
X	Physician licensed to practice medicine in Oregon who specializes in children and families Natalya Miller		

CVSSD Staff:

X	Robin Reimer, CAMI Fund Coordinator		Kim Kennedy, Grant Unit Manager
X	Kevin Dowling, Fund Coordinator		Shannon Sivell, Director
X	Amanda Shinkle, Grant Specialist		

X	Mei Pomegranate, ORSATF		
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Welcome, Introductions

Robin welcomed the group and gave an update on membership roles.

Approval of August CAMI/CJA Meeting Minutes will be done via email.

CVSSD and CAMI Updates

- **Statewide Child Death Review and Prevention:** The state team is working on facilitating access to medical records for child fatality review teams by laying out how to obtain medical records from systems around the state. Dr. Miller has been involved in compiling this information. The group is also finalizing a letter that teams can use to obtain medical records and indicates the need for these records within the request. Because school records are also

difficult to obtain, the group will draft procedures and correspondence to assist fatality teams for school record requests as well.

- **Fatality Review and Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Protocol Template Updates** will be discussed by OCAS.
- **CVSSD AC meeting** Members were updated on the 2025 VOCA award. These 2025 funds brought grantees back to current service level funding for the one-year award.

ODHS created a document to clarify information sharing by ODHS Child Welfare to Children's Advocacy Centers. This document was produced in response to a request from the field which was brought to the MDT workgroup. This document will be widely distributed. The MDT workgroup is making collaborative efforts to support county MDTs. More communication about the MDT workgroup will be shared as the group continues.

Oregon Sexual Assault Task Force (SATF) Pediatric Subcommittee: Mei Pomegranate and Natalya Miller Mei, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Coordinator with SATF, presented information about SATF, her role, and the Pediatric Medical-Forensic Subcommittee of the Medical-Forensic Committee (MFC). The Subcommittee works to standardize statewide acute pediatric sexual abuse exams. Oregon's SANE certification does not include SANEs for pediatrics (children under age 15).

Dr Miller, co-chair of the subcommittee, spoke of the barriers and gaps in services for pediatric SANEs which include limited availability of services geographically, CAC operating hours, lack of standardized protocols and referral pathways, and limited training. To bridge these gaps, Jackson County developed a pediatric SANE program within the hospital that has increased availability of services. Jackson's program received an endorsement from SATF.

SATF is promoting standardized care across the state, enhancing provider training, and strengthening relationships between hospitals and CACs. The subcommittee is focused on the acute child sexual assault cases. These cases fall within the scope of practice of SANEs. To expand to additional communities, the group discussed next steps to begin conversations and build relationships despite the varying needs and resources available to communities. The subcommittee will complete a survey/needs assessment in the near future. It will be shared with this group. Mei also mentioned that the Sexual Assault Victims' Emergency (SAVE) Fund through CVSSD Compensation program provides reimbursement for medical forensic exams.

RCAC Grantees Update (OCAS and RCAC Report): Kevin Dowling and Gil Levy

Kevin and Gil discussed information from RCACs and OCAS regarding CAC and MDT trainings available across the state. OCAS confirmed that the Collaborative Child Abuse Response (CCAR) training uses non-regional trainers, and that OCAS also offers other trainings. Shelly recommended adding NCA and Western Regional trainings to the list. The group discussed highly sought after trainings for each discipline which included CCAR & San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Mistreatment for prosecution; MRCAC Medical Academy, Medical SANE and San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Mistreatment for medical practitioners; Dallas Crimes Against Children conference and the George Murdock Eastern Oregon Regional Child Abuse Conference for law enforcement.

Gaps in trainings include Karly’s Law, purpose and history of MDTs, and CAC representation in DPSST trainings. The group discussed developing support for prosecutors who are new to child abuse cases including emphasis on collaboration with partners and case and witness preparation. Dr. Miller added Problematic Sexualized Behavior to the list and mentioned that attending the medical-legal training with a prosecutor helped with learning how to testify. Regarding WRCAC trainings, current loss of funding due to the federal government shutdown have necessitated the closure of two Regions and limited available trainings.

The group discussed using model cases as training for MDT collaboration to provide opportunities which ‘bring the training to life’ and ground lessons in real-life situations rather than an academic or lecture approach.

OCAS has contracted with Sarah Stewart to complete child fatality review protocol revision and toolkit development. This is partially funded with Children’s Justice Act funds and is being completed in collaboration with the Statewide Child Death Review and Prevention Team. OCAS is also disbursing funds to support CACs.

OCAS has contracted with Amelia Siders to complete DEC protocol updates and tools as well as to pilot a program to support mental health providers.

The draft protocol updates completed through the work of Sarah and Amelia be shared with the CAMI AC.

OCAS is working with ODHS on mandatory reporting training and partnering with CACs that already provide mandatory training to incorporate ODHS updates into those trainings.

Tina Morgan continues to be available to CACs to assist with accreditation.

OCFIT training is happening this week.

Group updates:

Kristen – Procedure for reporting unexpected child fatalities to the hotline will be sent to law enforcement across the state to promote timely reporting. (See ORCAH-LEA Notification.2025.10.pdf)

Meeting adjourned: 3:15 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 1:00pm-4:00 pm

Action Items:		
Item	Assigned to	Status
Share MFC subcommittee survey results to AC when available	Dr. Miller	pending