**Indiana Family Preservation Services**

**Agenda and Questions**

**February 17, 2023**

1. Rebekah Witzig, Red Cross, to present on a fire safety program they offer across the state that our families can utilize.
   1. Flyer emailed with agenda with QR code
   2. Free service, an individual will go out to the home.
      1. smoke alarm installation
      2. Map out evacuation routes
      3. Dry board included
      4. Safety tips
      5. Information: how to test smoke alarms, good for 10 years no battery changes needed
      6. Hard of hearing alarms ‘bed shakers’ can be provided as well
   3. Questions please email: Rebekah.witzig2@redcross.org
2. Cindy Hewitt, Central Office Background Check Unit, to share updates on background check requirements.
   1. To find the service codes that started on 1/1/2023

<https://www.in.gov/dcs/background-checks>

* 1. Questions please email: [cobcuinquiry@dcs.in.gov](mailto:cobcuinquiry@dcs.in.gov)

1. Concrete supports reminder—Please complete this form for any concrete spend, and send to Bridget McIntyre ([*Bridget.McIntyre@dcs.in.gov*](mailto:Bridget.McIntyre@dcs.in.gov)) or the Child Welfare Plan ([*ChildWelfarePlan@dcs.in.gov*](mailto:ChildWelfarePlan@dcs.in.gov)):

<https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/Expense-Tracking-Agencies.xlsx>

1. Aubrey Kearney, Assistant Deputy Director of Research and Evaluation and Brian Goodwin, Senior Research Analyst, to provide update on current evaluation and surveys.
   1. Gathering information on a second treatment population
   2. Some differences
      1. Emails will be sent out with specific families and children to be sampled
      2. Survey more user friendly
      3. Since sample pulled – identified population is smaller than expected. Will be extended the study period by three months.18 months of data total.
      4. Some emails have been sent and the rest will be out in the next few days
   3. Questions please email: Aubrey.kearney@dcs.in.gov
2. Recent meeting with Advocacy and Training Alliance (<https://advocacyandtraining.org/>) We continue to want providers to innovate and learn and learning about youth with sexually maladaptive behaviors is something we continue to encourage. Access to a CSAYC is being added to the Services Hub.
   1. Examples of EBP’s may be used for example: TF-CBT, CBT, MI
   2. There are several levels of training available
3. *Probation Access to INFPS (Don Travis to be present for the meeting).*
4. *Update on probation referrals*
   1. 62 referrals currently
5. *Discussion of target population*
   1. Prevention of residential placement
   2. Temporary absences will not end the service, only residential placement or case closure will end the referral
6. *Service standard changes for probation-referred youth*
7. Probation Officers have access to documents uploaded into KidTraks
8. *Federal Health Emergency is ending, and this will impact Medicaid for kids and families who have Medicaid as their insurance. For a detailed explanation see:* <https://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/member-resources/How-a-return-to-normal-will-impact-some-Indiana-Medicaid-members/>
9. Current case information: *(as of 2/16/23)*

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| **Region** | **Family Pres Case Count** |
| 1 | 108 |
| 2 | 55 |
| 3 | 66 |
| 4 | 118 |
| 5 | 34 |
| 6 | 49 |
| 7 | 132 |
| 8 | 113 |
| 9 | 54 |
| 10 | 151 |
| 11 | 71 |
| 12 | 64 |
| 13 | 72 |
| 14 | 37 |
| 15 | 77 |
| 16 | 106 |
| 17 | 65 |
| 18 | 92 |
| **Grand Total** | **1464** |

*Up* ***40 cases*** *from last meeting.*

1. *Updated stats:*

* *Out-of-home cases were down again in January 2023 to 8,829, marking the 23rd straight month with reductions. 30 of 32 months have had a reduction since launch. 3 of the 5 months that preceded launch had an* ***increase*** *in out-of-home.*
* *The two months with increases since launch were 9/2020 (up 0.13%) and 2/2021 (up 0.20%).*
* *For a 12th month in a row, we exceeded the federal safety target of 94.6% (we were 95.35% in January 2023).*

1. Questions received:

There were no questions received during for this meeting.

Anything else?

**Next meeting: We are moving this to Monthly meetings going forward, with the meeting to be held on the 3rd Friday of each month. Next meeting: 3/17/23 @ 1:00 Eastern**

**THANK YOU!**