



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Task Force

Date: November 15, 2021

Time: 9:30-11:30 am

Location: MS Teams

Meeting Minutes

1. Review and approval of minutes from last meeting

2. Executive Director update

Next commission meeting is December 15, 2021.

The juvenile justice project will meet and hear presentations from its subcommittees on November 29, 2021. Some topics that will be discussed are using money better, align them with research-based best practices, reduce disparities, and reduce the number of kids in the system.

There will be an evaluation of the commission sometime in 2022 to speak about what has been achieved and developing a continuous quality improvement process.

3. Subcommittee reports including prior action items, review of objectives, progress, etc.

Mobile Crisis: Sirrilla Blackmon & Jennifer Tackett

We have combined our efforts with the 9-8-8 and the whole continuum of that. We are working with Liz Manly at the University of Washington who is the consultant for innovation, and she spearheaded the mobile crisis in New Jersey. We are looking at how mobile crisis fits in with our youth as well as adults.

Prevention: MeriBeth Adams Wolf & Lisa Truitt

No update.

Parity: Steve McCaffrey

Still working closely with DOI. The studies take about two years. During our interim update, DOI informed us they are hopeful to have more detail information sometime in April 2022.

EBPs: Gabriela Rodriguez

Currently working to have the contract with DMHA and IU finalized. We plan to present to the commission on December 15th about MST. This will be up to eight sites around the state that will get the full training and full MST models.

Suicide/Gap Analysis: Jason Murray & David Berman

Since doing the analysis and the presentation the work group has been slow. Once we start looking at the 9-8-8 work, we will look at a new objective and gear toward that.

There have been 26 Indiana schools trained on suicide prevention.

Workforce Issues: Cathy Boggs & David Reed

The national council has put out recommendations regarding the workforce crisis. Our subcommittee will look over and speak about these recommendations to better help the workforce shortage issue.

- 4. Data Needs (identify any needs for data sharing or mapping, determine if someone in the Task Force has access to the needed data, if not, forward request to Data Sharing and Mapping Committee)**

- 5. Set or remind next meeting date, time, location**

March 21, 2022, 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m. Indiana Government Center South Conference Room TBD

- 6. Review action items identified in today's meeting**