**Indiana Family Preservation Services**

**Agenda and Questions**

**April 21, 2023**

1. Concrete supports reminder and discussion—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>

**As a reminder, the anticipated costs of concrete supports were built into the per diem.**

The decision to use concrete supports should also be a team one with good planning to ensure families achieve maximum benefit from these supports.

If we provide small items, not what we would put on the report, do you still want those on the form?

Yes, please document those as well. If you are monetarily helping the family achieve the goals of preventing removal please document this.

1. Initial INFPS evaluation has been published, and can be found in the Child Abuse and Neglect journal here: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0145213423001175>
2. Brian Goodwin to talk about the current evaluation and round of surveys.
   1. Continuing to collect surveys monthly until the case closes or the child is removed indefinitely.
   2. Reaching out directly to providers monthly
   3. If you did not get any documents including the survey this means your agency does not need to complete a survey.
   4. Have about 200 current families in the evaluation
   5. Please reach out with questions or for clarification
3. Monthly report quality (Austin)
   1. Please remember you are stating what EBP you are using.
   2. Need to include goals, treatment plan updates, protective factor survey
   3. Monthly reports should address the reasons for our involvement and how they relate to the treatment goals.
   4. Check with your staff to ensure the monthly reports are completed appropriately
4. Services Hub updates (Crystal)
   1. Has been in place approximately 2 years.
   2. We have been working in regions 1, 2, 7, and 14 to include community-based services.
      1. Generally positive feedback
      2. Will be sending an invite to discuss what is going well, what needs improvement.
   3. The faster we engage families, usually the better they engage. Getting services in place quickly is critical, and I think that’s also spoken to in the recently published evaluation for Family Preservation. Time to first contact has gone from 19 days to around 5 days.
   4. Is there any data on the level of traffic from FCM's for certain counties? Verbal reports from county leadership/fcm's is that they don't really use the service hub unless they are looking for something unique for the family and don't have a familiar provider already.
      1. we can look at traffic, but it isn't specific (to my knowledge) to what they are looking for. So it would include anything that they accessed it for (ESC, INFPS, etc.)
5. Current case information: *(as of 4/20/23)*

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| **Region** | **Family Pres Case Count** |
| 1 | 102 |
| 2 | 59 |
| 3 | 88 |
| 4 | 121 |
| 5 | 41 |
| 6 | 51 |
| 7 | 138 |
| 8 | 108 |
| 9 | 75 |
| 10 | 174 |
| 11 | 85 |
| 12 | 58 |
| 13 | 73 |
| 14 | 40 |
| 15 | 78 |
| 16 | 119 |
| 17 | 58 |
| 18 | 101 |
| 19 |  |
| **Grand Total** | **1569 (+37)** |

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| **Region** | **DCS Case** |
| 1 | 93 |
| 2 | 52 |
| 3 | 74 |
| 4 | 115 |
| 5 | 40 |
| 6 | 48 |
| 7 | 132 |
| 8 | 99 |
| 9 | 57 |
| 10 | 163 |
| 11 | 77 |
| 12 | 55 |
| 13 | 66 |
| 14 | 37 |
| 15 | 73 |
| 16 | 104 |
| 17 | 58 |
| 18 | 92 |
| **Grand Total** | **1435 (+5)** |

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| **Region** | **JD/JS** |
| 1 | 9 |
| 2 | 7 |
| 3 | 14 |
| 4 | 6 |
| 5 | 1 |
| 6 | 3 |
| 7 | 6 |
| 8 | 9 |
| 9 | 18 |
| 10 | 11 |
| 11 | 8 |
| 12 | 3 |
| 13 | 7 |
| 14 | 3 |
| 15 | 5 |
| 16 | 15 |
| 18 | 9 |
| **Grand Total** | **134 (+32)** |

1. *Updated stats:*

* *Out-of-home cases were down again in March 2023 to 8,697, marking the 25th straight month with reductions. 32 of 34 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 14th month in a row, we exceeded the federal safety target of 94.6% (we were 95.07% in March 2023).*

1. Questions received (only one question was received, and it is a carryover from last meeting):
2. Is there an update on family reunification?

*There really isn’t at this point. It is still being considered, however, and we will communicate any updates as they are available.*

Anything else?

How to become a Medicaid provider:

https://www.in.gov/medicaid/providers/provider-enrollment/become-a-provider/

**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: 5/19 @ 1:00 Eastern**

**THANK YOU!**