**Indiana Family Preservation Services**

**May 14, 2021 Provider Call**

**Agenda and Questions**

1. *Updates from the Evaluation Team:*
   1. *Dates of upcoming INFPS Office Hours—a* ***really*** *great option to ask questions!*

*(info here:* [*https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/INFPS\_Office\_Hours\_Guidelines\_2021\_02\_01.pdf*](https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/INFPS_Office_Hours_Guidelines_2021_02_01.pdf)

May 26th 2pm Eastern: Aubrey Kearney

June 9th 2pm Eastern: Elisabeth Wilson

* 1. *Survey Updates*
     1. *Receipts update*
        1. Still working on it. Should take 2 to 3 weeks.
     2. *Re-Entry Link Update* 
        1. Make sure to use re-entry survey link

Links:

* <https://publicdataviz.dcs.in.gov/t/cw/views/TitleIV-EServicesAvailabilityinIndiana_16209985634740/TitleIV-EServices?:showAppBanner=false&:display_count=n&:showVizHome=n&:origin=viz_share_link&:isGuestRedirectFromVizportal=y&:embed=y>
* <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/INFPSRe-Entry>

Q: If we reentered data on the original site not the re-entry site do we need to do it again?

Yes

Q: Should we only re-enter the missing EBP’s?

You can do either. At minimum please enter in the missing EBPs.

Q: I'm guessing from a quick look at the dashboard that not all service models have been entered yet. CBT is on the dashboard.

The dashboard has two tabs along the top. Prevention and Preservation. The first tab is only the models included on the Prevention Plan. The models on the second are INFPS

For survey completion: CBT is not on the California Evidence Based Clearinghouse (CT Cognitive Therapy is on there)

<https://www.cebc4cw.org/program/cognitive-therapy/>

Q: Who should we notify if our agency's county coverage is not correct on the Preservation Services Heat Map?

Please send Elisabeth Wilson an email and she will pass it on to the Dashboard Team

Elisabeth Wilson will be on vacation all next week 5/17/2021- 5/24/2021. If you have a question on the survey, evaluation, receipts please email brian.goodwin@dcs.iN.gov or DCSresearchOfficehours@dcs.In.gov.

1. *Birth Parent Advisory Board (BPAB). Please see attachments on this. We’re still actively recruiting for this. If you know of any birth families with which you have worked in the past who may be a good candidate for this, can you please let David know (*[*David.Reed@dcs.in.gov*](mailto:David.Reed@dcs.in.gov)*)? We’re also open to considering INFPS parents, as we want to hear from them as well.*
2. *INFPS formal evaluation is posted on the INFPS page. Here is the direct link:* [*https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/ProviderSummary\_INFPS\_Evaluation\_2021\_02\_22.pdf*](https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/ProviderSummary_INFPS_Evaluation_2021_02_22.pdf)
3. *Reminder on surveys (same as previous meetings)*
   1. *Complete a survey every month until case closure for all children referred in January, February, AND March 2021, and, for those kids, complete a survey* ***every*** *month until case closure.*
   2. *Please try to get surveys done by the 12th*
   3. *Responses have been good so far, and they show fidelity to chosen models!*
   4. *Be sure to enter* ***all*** *models used with a child.*
4. *Protective Factors Training! Free! Training from the California Training Institute. As previously discussed, this is an 8-week training (1 hour per week) covering the five protective factors: parental resilience, social connection, concrete support in times of need, knowledge of parenting and child development, social and emotional competence with opportunities for Q&A throughout. While it’s already started (May 6), it appears they are still taking registrations for the upcoming dates! Register here:* [*https://www.caltrin.org/training/caltrin-hosted-trainings-evidence-based-service-delivery-models/the-protective-factors-framework/*](https://www.caltrin.org/training/caltrin-hosted-trainings-evidence-based-service-delivery-models/the-protective-factors-framework/)
5. Current referral information:



1. Family Reunification Services RFI posted 4/29, closes June 10 at 3:00. <https://fs.gmis.in.gov/psc/guest/SUPPLIER/ERP/c/SCP_PUBLIC_MENU_FL.SCP_PUB_BID_CMP_FL.GBL?&>
2. Things we’re seeing/hearing:
   1. Need more INFPS providers who really understand Domestic Violence. Here’s a great resource to learn more: <https://icadvinc.org/contact-us/>
   2. Need more INFPS providers who really understand SUD and recovery, and who can TREAT it (DMHA will be presenting at our next meeting on DMHA certification, so please try to attend that!)
   3. We’ve had some nice recognition/attention recently for our efforts (from the Federal Children’s Bureau and Open Minds is publishing an article on us-- <https://openminds.com/market-intelligence/news/indiana-dcs-launches-family-preservation-services/>)

Q: Is DMHA going to talk about Licensure or just certification?

DMHA is going to be presenting to this group in 2 weeks to discuss what that looks like for providers.

Q: Could you address the fine line of FPS such as a child with sexual maladaptive behaviors family referral?

There has been discussion regarding this, and some of what was historically believed to be best practice—things like different agencies working with perpetrators and victims—is being revisited. Anyone who works in child welfare should really educate themselves on sexually maladaptive youth as it is very likely that professionals working in child welfare will encounter such youth in the course of their work. Please look for trainings through IN-AJSOP to learn more, and providers are encouraged to consider pursing credentials (CSAYC, CSAYP). Please feel free to contact them.

Q: We have a pending application with DMHA, but cannot seem to find the requirements for staff. In Indiana, BA level staff can obtain an LAC. Can educational requirements/licensure requirements for SUD treatment be discussed?

DMHA can best answer these questions.

1. Questions submitted:
2. When completing a Family Preservation monthly report, if the Family Preservation provider is providing information about the individual services that the family is receiving outside of the Family Preservation referral and the provider identifies the specific treatment modality that is being used in the family’s individual services, will the auditors be looking for a survey even though the treatment modality is not related to the Family Preservation referral?

A: If you are billing Medicaid for one of your interventions should you be capturing that in your survey response. You are allowed to bill 3rd parties for those services that qualify. Yes, please include this in your survey.

1. Due to a family living in a shelter and visiting restrictions put in place by the shelter, the FCM has approved weekly safety checks in the community. When completing weekly safety checks, our provider was only permitted to meet with the family in one of the shelter’s conference rooms.  Due to the restrictions in place by the shelter and FCM approval, is completing the safety check in the community for this family who lives in a shelter okay?

A: It’s okay to follow these rules. Please document these situations and communicate with the FCM regarding this.

1. Anything else?

Q: We had our first successful closure for FP. Don’t know when can stop going out and doing our safety checks? Is it when the court says case is closed or when FCM closes referral?

There are 2 reasons outlined in the Service Standard that services should stop. Those include if the child is formally and indefinitely removed or the case was closed.

Q: The FCM is advising that services can be stopped before the case is closed. Judge closed case but waiting for paperwork. Continue with safety checks?

Case should close effective that day of the court hearing that the Judge closed the case.

Q: FCM’s ask for us to stay in under court order comes.

If is ON RECORD that the case is closed on a specific day, the case is closed. The Judge makes the decision to close the case.

Good communication is key! Communication between provider and FCM can assist with knowledge of case milestones such as closure.

Next meeting 5/28/2021 @ 1:00 EDT

THANK YOU!