OHIO FFPSA LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE
Thursday, August 15, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Voting Members			
Name	**Agency**	**Present**	**Not Present**
Anderson, Karen	Cuyahoga County PCSA	X	
Bergefurd, Angie	Ohio Dept of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS)	X	
Caldwell, Nicole	Guernsey County PCSA		X
Carpenter, Carla	ODJFS, Deputy Director OFC	X	
Clark, Donna	Seeds 4 Life	X	
Collier-Jones, Dr. Ollie	Ohio Grandparent Kinship Coalition (OGKC)		X
Davis, Amanda	Foster Care Alumni	X	
Edelblute, David	Children and Families Section, Supreme Court of Ohio	X	
Flick, Melissa	South Central Ohio Job and Family Services	X	
Garbe, Megan	Foster Caregiver	X	
Gilbert, Julie	Butler County PCSA		X
Good, Jewell	Montgomery County PCSA		X
Harding, Jodi	Lighthouse Youth Services	X	
Harvey, Nancy **(By phone)**	Community Teaching Homes	X	
Evans, Tina *(Representing Hauck, Kimberly)*	Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD)	X	
Jones, Sarah	Ohio Department of Medicaid		X
Jordan, Penny	Kinship Caregiver		X
Kresic, Matt	Homes for Kids,	X	
LaTourette, Sarah	Ohio Family and Children First		X
Lill, A J	Erie County PCSA	X	
Marconi, Sharon	National Youth Advocate Program	X	
Mecum, Mark	Ohio Children's Alliance	X	
Reilly, Sean	UMCH Family Services	X	
Rutherford, Tina	Franklin County Children Services	X	
Sausser, Angela	Public Children Services Association of Ohio (PCSAO)	X	
Spears, Jeff	Ohio Department of Youth Services	X	
Turner, Wendi	Foster and Kinship Parent		X
Margie Weaver for Weir, Moira	Ohio JFS Director's Association (OJFSDA)	X	
Weitzel, Tim	Lorain County Domestic Relations Court	X	
Zawisza, Katie	Lutheran Homes Society, Inc. (Genacross)	X	

Non-Voting Members: ODJFS: Ellen Holt, Colleen Tucker, Karen McGormley, Tequilla Washington, Crystal Williams, Lucy Gobble, Sue Williams, Kari Akins, Kristi Burre, Renee Lupi, Jennifer Kobel, Lindsay Williams, John Butler, Michael Stoffer, David Beck, Rachel Rayburn, Robynn Jasper (scribe); Nicole Sillaman, OCTF; Alan Thompson, Office of Fiscal and County Monitoring

Guests: Pam Carter, Bureau of County Financial and Technical Assistance; Don Warner, Oesterlen; Patty Jo Burtnett, Lorain County Children Services; Chelsea Cordonnier, Children's Initiatives Associate; Shawna Deems, ODM; Shannon Deinhart, OhioKAN; Pam Priddy, NECCO.

I. *Welcome, Introduction, & Review of July Meeting Minutes*

A. <u>Welcome, Introductions, and Setting the Context</u>: QRTP provisions were discussed at length at the last meeting and has been the primary focus as the leadership committee attempts to finalize all QRTP recommendations by the end of September and make plans for a more in depth discussion of Prevention Services planning in the upcoming months. During introductions, each member explained what the hopes are for the QRTP provisions for children, youth, and families.

B. <u>Review/Approval of July Meeting Minutes</u>: The minutes were reviewed and Mark Mecum made a motion and Melissa Flick seconded. The minutes were approved with no corrections or edits.

C. <u>Overall FFPSA Updates – Federal and State</u>

1. The federal FFPSA clearinghouse approved Ohio's Kinship Support program for review and is one of only two kinship programs being considered for FFPSA clearinghouse rating.

II. *Subcommittee Monthly Report Out*

A. <u>PCSAO's Tiered Foster Care / Family-Based Foster Care Continuum</u>: The recent meeting had discussion about what constitutes the tiers/levels of care and reviewed other state's information. This subcommittee has an upcoming meeting on Monday August 19, 2019.

B. <u>OhioKAN (Kinship and Navigator program)</u>: OhioKAN had their third and final stakeholder meeting on Monday July 22nd and involved nearly 90 stakeholders. The survey had 55 families, 68 professionals and 18 counties. The committee will also be having five upcoming regional town hall meetings in August and September and may possibly add a sixth meeting. Following the town hall meetings, the workgroup will make recommendations to the Leadership Committee.

C. <u>Model Licensing Standards</u>: The subcommittee had a webinar for stakeholders regarding the licensing standards. There were two sessions held on one day with 250 participants. A Q & A document will be posted. Draft changes to rules are being finalized and hope to move to the clearance process soon.

D. <u>Communication Workgroup</u>: The one-page documents are being reviewed and will be posted soon. Amanda Davis hosted three focus groups with foster youth and received feedback related to Prevention Services, the Level of Care independent assessor, and aftercare.

E. <u>Executive Committee</u>: The Executive Committee meets every other month and a smaller subcommittee met to focus specifically on cross-system QRTP decisions.

The Executive Committee has reviewed and affirmed recommendations from the July Leadership committee meeting.

1. Subject matter experts were identified for each agency to cross-walk their licensing requirements for congregate care settings (ODJFS, DD, OhioMHAS, etc.). The committee is looking at how QRTP requirements and prospective alignment of licensing standards will affect different agencies.

2. The committee is also developing a data sharing agreement between ODJFS and DODD to facilitate information sharing and data analysis across both systems.

III. Prevention Subcommittee Discussion, Updates, and Next Steps

A. Subcommittee next steps: Prevention Services is about designing a new way of providing services to eligible populations and there is a need to really focus simultaneously on design and strategy in addition to assessing the evidence-based provider landscape of the state. The Prevention Subcommittee is planning a retreat in mid-October to discuss the overall vision for Prevention Services in Ohio, the candidacy for foster care definition, and the overarching flow for prevention services. This retreat will be facilitated by the Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP). CSSP will work with the Prevention Subcommittee to provide facilitation support and guide the discussion on defining candidacy for foster care.

B. In-Home Parenting Workgroup

1. The group completed fidelity sheets for each program and identified in home parenting programs for different age groups. The "12-15" age groups is an area where there aren't many programs. In addition, programs with the teens or pre-teens overlap with other systems such as mental health. A suggestion was made to add a column for how wide spread is the availability in an area.

2. Ellen Holt brought up "approved" versus "promising practices" programs and the impact on financial. How the caseworker enters the information and whether a child or youth is a candidate for foster care also has a financial impact. There is a need for the caseworker or supervisor to accurately enter the information in SACWIS for RMS data entry.

3. Next steps: The subcommittee will regionalize the spreadsheet. A suggestion was made to identify if there are strong programs that are only in a few counties. Would the state want to leverage this and expand the programs statewide?

C. Substance Use Disorder Workgroup

1. The workgroup reported they also completed a spreadsheet similar to the in-home parenting workgroup. The medication assisted treatment was deferred to the medical field by the California clearinghouse. Motivational interviewing is a practice versus a stand-alone treatment model.

2. Multisystemic Therapy (MST) is pending with the clearinghouse to be ranked. There was discussion about whether motivational interviewing could be incorporated into CORE. Motivational Interviewing is a practice that caseworkers can implement to engage the family in services and ongoing assessments. The workgroup has reviewed eighteen programs, including special populations such as mothers in treatment with their infants.

D. <u>Mental Health Workgroup</u>: The workgroup reviewed four programs and the workgroup hopes to present their recommendations in several weeks. Their conversations regarding treatment fidelity are complex.

IV. QRTP Discussion and Presentation of Recommendations Subcommittee Updates
A. *Treatment Model Considerations Workgroup*

1. <u>OAC definition of clinical nursing staff coverage</u> (a.)

Treatment Model Recommendation (Clinical and Nursing Staff)

Have registered or licensed nursing and clinical staff in accordance with the following:
   a. Provide care within the scope of their practice as defined by state law;
   b. Are available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week
   c. Are accessible on-site or face-to-face to meet the youth's clinical and/or medical needs

VOTE: Yes — 15   No — 2   Abstain — 1

Changes to the Recommendation The subcommittee added a requirement for licensed clinical staff to the deliverable (what is meant by licensed clinical staff?). A suggestion was made to look at OhioMHAS rule for crisis counseling response. Should the proposed language for the timeframe be general or specific? There was a motion by Mark Mecum to change Recommendations item "c" to "*are accessible on-site or face-to-face to meet the youth's clinical and/or medical needs*." The committee agreed.

Considerations for the Recommendations Face-to-face includes video conferencing and not only how ODJFS defines "face-to-face" as only an in-

person face to face contact for caseworker visits with children and adults. Video conferencing or tele-medicine cannot be billed under "crisis services" category.

2. <u>Proposed OAC definition of "family-based aftercare support"</u> The leadership committee has discussion about this definition but did not come to a vote. It was explained that the definition was drafted to be broad so that it can apply to other rules within OAC. The committee was asked to weigh in on whether or not the definition should remain broad or if they feel it should be tailored to fit the Family First areas only.

3. <u>6-month aftercare and discharge planning. Option 1 or Option 2</u> based on the responsibility of the QRTP to either provides or appropriately coordinate. Tabled, but received feedback particularly regarding Option 2 about identifying the aftercare provider at the time of admission.

4. <u>Written guidance on how agencies can obtain training and TA for compliance (c.) No time</u>

5. <u>Written guidance for how ODJFS will verify compliance with the treatment model taking into account deemed status (d.) No time</u>

B. *Level of Care Assessment Workgroup*

1. Initial Assessment process flow chart (b.); who conducts the assessment and the assessment tool (c.)

C. *Accreditation* – Ohio's strategy for deemed status rule (c.)

D. *Agency Readiness* – Define levels of readiness, produce training and TA plans to support agency readiness (a.)

1. Training: Mark Mecum made a motion to accept the recommendation and was seconded by Carla Carpenter.

1. Vote: Yes-- 18   No-- 0   Abstain—0

2. Survey: Mark Mecum made a motion to accept the recommendation, and Amanda Davis seconded

1. Vote: Yes-- 18   No-- 0   Abstain—0

V. Adjournment of Session

- Summary from the Day, Reflections, Overall Action Steps & Closing

- Next meeting September 17--10 am to 3 pm.