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Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

January 18, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

10 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana

5th Floor Conference Room A

For additional information, please call Tricia Budris at (714) 245-6295

CSCC Members:

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Vacancies:

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Foster Parent Rep

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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements – Jaime Coulter is being replaced by Jana Hoffman.
- 2) State legislation / budget update – all
- 3) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the November 16, 2006 meeting.
- 4) 12th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – if you need copies please email Tricia Budris as soon as possible.
- 5) Program / Project updates
 - Child Abuse Services Team – Hellen Howe
 - Foster Youth Services Program – Deana Mulkerin
 - Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63) – Alan Albright
 - Wraparound – Denise Churchill
- 6) Subcommittee reports
 - Emancipation Services – Bob Malmberg
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- 7) General Committee Member Comments - any/all

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NEXT MEETING: February 15, 2007



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- 3) ***ACTION ITEM:*** Review and approve minutes from the January 18, 2007 meeting.
- 4) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Tricia Budris & Mary Ann Soden
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NEXT MEETING: March 15, 2007



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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements – Reminder that 700 forms are due to Tricia Budris by March 28, 2007.
- 2) State legislation / budget update – all
- 3) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the February 15, 2007 meeting.
- 4) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Mary Ann Soden
- 5) **ACTION ITEM:** Discuss and approve new Indicators for the 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children.
- 6) Program / Project updates
 - Child Abuse Services Team – Hellen Howe
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NEXT MEETING: April 19, 2007



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April 19, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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NEXT MEETING: May 17, 2007



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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements
- 2) Presentation: Orange County Crisis Response Network – Arthur Cummins
- 3) State legislation / budget update – all
- 4) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the April 19, 2007 meeting.
- 5) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz
- 6) Program / Project updates
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NEXT MEETING: June 21, 2007



Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

June 21, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements
- 2) Presentation: Children Under 2 Study – Thu Phan
- 3) State legislation / budget update – all
- 4) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the May 17, 2007 meeting.
- 5) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Mary Ann Soden
- 6) Program / Project updates
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NEXT MEETING: July 19, 2007



Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

July 20, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

10 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana

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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements
- 2) Presentation: Tustin Family Campus – Michael Riley
- 3) State legislation / budget update – all
- 4) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the May 17, 2007 meeting.
- 5) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Mary Ann Soden
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NEXT MEETING: July 20, 2007



Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

August 16, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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NEXT MEETING: September 20, 2007



Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

September 20, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements
- 2) State legislation / budget update – all
- 3) ***ACTION ITEM:*** Review and approve minutes from the August 16, 2007 meeting.
- 4) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children – Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz
- 5) ***ACTION ITEM:*** Approve 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children for printing and publication.
- 6) Program / Project updates
 - Child Abuse Services Team – Hellen Howe
 - Foster Youth Services Program – Betsy DeGarmoe
 - Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63) – Alan Albright
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NEXT MEETING: October 18, 2007



Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

October 18, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements
- 2) Tustin Family Campus Presentation: Jess Carbajal
- 3) State legislation / budget update – all
- 4) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the September 20, 2007 meeting.
- 5) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children/Community Forum – Mary Ann Soden
- 6) Program / Project updates
 - Child Abuse Services Team – Hellen Howe
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NEXT MEETING: November 15, 2007



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CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Introductions / Announcements – December 20, 2007 meeting is canceled
- 2) State legislation / budget update – all
- 3) **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the October 18, 2007 meeting.
- 4) 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children/Community Forum – Mary Ann Soden
- 5) Call to Action – Alyce Mastrianni
- 6) Program / Project updates
 - Child Abuse Services Team – Hellen Howe
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NEXT MEETING: There will be no December meeting.

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

January 18, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Alan Albright, Jana Hoffman, Linda Smith, Alyce Mastrianni, Carolyn Kirkwood, Dana Stits, Marri Derby, Russell Brammer, Rick Martin, Troy Jacobs, Bill Daniel, Tricia Budris, Theri Todd, Arlene Burt, Beverley MacLaren, Bob Malmberg, Betsy DeGarmoe, Harriet Bemus, Jacque Berndt, MaryAnn Soden, Debbie Chitty, Phoenix Tran, Mary Kavli, Deanna Mulkerin

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** Alan Albright introduced Jana Hoffman who is replacing Jaime Coulter from the district attorney's office.
2. **ACTION ITEM:** Review and approve minutes from the November 16, 2006 meeting. Minutes were approved.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Alan Albright stated that the Governor's January Budget is out. It appears that the Governor has not budgeted any state general fund dollars for AB 3632 Mental Health Services for the next year citing Proposition 1A, which allows for those payments to be made one year in arrears. If true, this may create a cash flow problem for the County, and will have to be discussed with the CEO and the Board. A suspension or elimination of the integrated services for homeless adults with serious mental illness program, the AB 2034 program, which was one of the program models upon which the Mental Health Services Act Proposition 63 was based, is also being proposed. This issue will have to be worked out at the State level.

Linda Smith stated that they are tracking it also to see what comes up. Bill Daniel stated that on the Probation side, they received juvenile mentally ill offender claim reduction grant, funding one million plus. Probation will now be able to set aside portions of their leadership academy for mentally ill offenders. That ties to Prop 63 money that was set aside. For the first time they will be able to treat mental ill youth who are incarcerated, transition them out in to the community, and upon transition wrap them in mental health services. There is a movement that has been going on for some time and the Governor mentioned it in his January proposal to start shifting responsibility for previously incarcerated youth at the State level back to the local level. What was previously the California Youth Authority is now part of Juvenile Justice. For example; as of July of this year we will no longer house female inmates. They are moving them back to the local level. We are going to be restricted on the types of minors that we can send to California Youth Authority if the Governor's proposal goes through as planned. We anticipate that it will. It will be interesting as the shape of community corrections changes over the next five years for both the juvenile and adult side. We send about 30 – 35 a year to the Youth Authority, I think we have about 120 there now. In Orange County there are 200 parolees from the California Youth Authority. We think of them as youth but only two of them are under the

age of 18. They range from 18 to 25 but they are still under the control of the Youth Authority at this point.

4. **12th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Tricia Budris stated that there are only six boxes of the 12th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children remaining. The Quick Guides are gone. If you need copies, please contact Tricia Budris, (714) 245-6295. Mary Ann Soden stated the report is available online. She would also like to add the 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children to the agenda for next month to begin the discussion on the special topic and indicators. Tricia stated we will go to the Board the last week of February to request approval to renew the contract for development of the 13th Annual Report. The contract should go into effect March 1, 2007.

5. **Program / Project updates:**

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe was not present. No update.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Deana Mulkerin stated that she will be stepping back in the support role and working part time and will be replaced at the CSCC meetings by Betsy DeGarmoe.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated that last time the CSCC met there was a request for information on contact phone numbers for the MHSA programs that were currently implemented. (A handout was provided with the description of the program and the latest contact phone numbers for those programs that are up and running.) Alan stated they are very happy that the majority of programs that they have planned are currently in operation. The Children's Full-service Wraparound Program that is operated by Providence is up and running and doing very well, very busy. The In-home Crisis Response Program is currently in operation, as is the Children's Crisis Residential Program. Also in December 2006, the Board approved the contract for an Outreach and Engagement Programs that is serving a smaller population of Asian Pacific Islanders. A County-operated Outreach and Engagement Program to serve all children and transitional youth is currently hiring staff for that program. Those of you that were involved in the growth funding planning are aware that a number of expansions to the existing MHSA programs will be going forward to the Board, requesting approval to submit the plans to the State to expand their. In particular, a Full-service Wraparound Program for those youth who are exiting the Probation Program and Juvenile Hall is being proposed. There is also a request to expand the existing Transitional Youth Full-service Program because, after six months of operation, they are rapidly approaching their capacity. Two new mentoring programs for children and transitional youth are also being proposed. These programs will have the ability to provide mentors to all SED children that are being served throughout the CYS system. This proposal will go to the Board by the end of February 2007 and then be submitted to the State. Some of

the phone numbers may change over the months, but Alan will keep all informed.

- Wraparound: Theri Todd stated that in December they served 319 children, which is an all time high. They are averaging about 28 referrals each month, 22% are from Mental Health; 27% from Probation, and 51% from Social Services. The Wraparound Newsletter was shared. It is the very first addition and will be produced monthly or quarterly. Please feel free to share with your staff.

6. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated that the Governor has added for this fiscal year 11.9 million dollar augmentation to the combination THP-Plus and THPP process. Currently there are 17 counties approved. SSA has submitted our plan and our letter of intent for the County of Orange. We have been approached by the coordinator to consider putting our program in place this fiscal year because there are several counties who have not utilized their full allocation. Bob explained briefly the THPP program for new members.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom was not present. No update.
- Children's Domestic Violence: Linda Smith requested that the Children's Domestic Violence Subcommittee be removed from the agenda, as Judge Isles has not called a meeting in months and the committee appears to be on hold. Alan Albright stated that, in the future, Linda can provide any updates if they occur during General Committee member comments.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated that the Urine Toxicology study has six hospitals on board and they are targeted for 10. They hope this will be finalized by the middle of February 2007. Debbie gave a brief background on the study for new members.

7. **General Committee Member Comments:** Linda Smith stated it would be nice to have an update on the screening mandates of Social Services on their children with substantiated child abuse reports. Please pass this on to Dr Riley. She also stated they are piloting a new program for Social Services. It is effective this month and uses reunified parents that have actually been through the system and successfully reunified with their children.

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February 15, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Russell Brammer, Bill Daniel, Dana Stits, Bill Gee, Mary Kavli, Marri Derby, Clete Menke, Alan Albright, Alyce Mastrianni, Linda Smith, Michael Riley, Beverly MacLaren, Betsy DeGarmoe, Mike Ryan, Paul DeQuattro, Michelle Berelowitz, Mary Ann Soden, Arlene Burt, Victoria Garcia, Phoenix Tran

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** No comments.
2. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the January 18, 2007 meeting. Minutes were approved as submitted.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Alan Albright stated that AB 3632, funding from the state, is good for next year. Clete Menke stated that for six years there has been no rate increase for group home and foster care providers in regards to quality of care. Dr. Riley stated that the State is looking at different ways of funding Child Welfare Services.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden stated the 13th Annual Report will go to the Board for renewal at the end of the month. Cal State Fullerton will take the lead on data, Orange County Health Needs Assessment is partnering to help write the Special Section and Discussion Topics. Michelle Berelowitz introduced Victoria Garcia, who is the Project Manager. Michelle passed out a timeline beginning March 1st, print the report in August, release the report in September, and conduct the Community Form in October. The first draft will be completed in June. A contact list was distributed for updates.

Dr. Riley stated that homelessness and its impact on families in Orange County is a topic of interest in regards to the 13th Annual Report Indicators. Currently, there are 39 Indicators. Substance-exposed children in the County was suggested as a possible Special Section topic. School truancy, the dropout rate, domestic violence, youth sports, and community services were also suggested. An outline of past Indicators, Discussion Topics, and Special Section topics will be available at the March CSCC. New Indicators will be an action item.

5. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe was not present. No update.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated there is a monthly task force meeting made up of multiple agencies to look into the barriers for foster youth with education. Social Services Agency, Probation, Health Care Agency, Orangewood Children's Foundation, and OCDE, helped develop a three-hour collaborative training for professionals working with emancipated youth. It's called Emancipation Excellence. Flyers on the training (February 22nd, March 1st, and 8th)

were distributed. A magnet and card with important phone numbers were also distributed.

- **Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63):** Alan Albright provided an update on the program implementation specifics for the first three-year plan. The Children's and Transitional Age Youth Full Service Wraparound Programs are up and running. The Children's Full Service Program has received 114 referrals and 53 youth have been enrolled. The Transitional Age Youth Program has received 175 referrals and 111 youth have been enrolled. The Children Crisis Residential Program has served five youth. The Children's In-Home Crisis Response Team has responded to 22 family situations. In addition, a public meeting will be held on March 22nd, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Delhi Center, to receive input on the Growth Funding Plan.
- **Wraparound:** Denise Churchill stated that they are working with 320 families. Of those, 200 slots are authorized from the State to draw funds from. 120 children are being used with the Reinvestment Funds. The State approved an increase enrollment for an additional 200 slots. CFS will go to the Board for approval of additional providers. CFS has served over 900 youth and is anticipating 1,000 by this summer. The average time of service for a youth is 15 months and 84% were in the home at the time when they stepped out. After six to 12 months, 90% of the youth were either no longer a dependent in the system or were still in the family's home. Efforts for the coming year will focus on community connections and housing for families. CFS has received national attention received from Portland and Memphis.

Dr. Riley stated that Annie E. Casey identified CFS as an anchor site to help other programs in the Western Region. CFS is one of five anchor sites in the Country.

6. Subcommittee reports:

- **Emancipation Services:** Mike Ryan reported that CFS has joined the California Connected by 25 Initiative (CC25I) and will be hosting two focus groups this month. These focus groups will allow for agency staff and community stakeholders to meet and discuss how CFS and Probation are preparing youth for successful adulthood and identify areas that require development. CFS will develop a plan and submit it to CC25I in April. If the plan is approved, the Stuart Foundation will provide CFS with funding, to support the project.
- **Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council:** Mike Ryan stated CFS' Self Assessment has been completed. CFS' next step is the development of the new 3-year Systems Improvement Plan (SIP), which will focus on the reoccurrence of maltreatment and stability of placement. Probation will focus on transitional services. CFS' SIP will go to the Board on March 15th.

Dr. Riley stated an orientation video is now shown to parents when they first come to Juvenile Court.

- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated that they are geared up for the Prevalence Study. They are planning to do training at the hospitals next month.

7. General Committee Member Comments:

- Dr. Riley gave an update on the Tustin Family Campus. He stated there will be four homes that will serve mothers and children coming out of drug rehab, two specialized group home cottages, two sibling-set cottages, and two cottages for emancipated youth. The main facility/administration building (Campus Support Center) will have an Early Childhood Development/ Daycare facility.
- Mary Ann Soden stated that the California Family Resource Association and the California Budget Project is coming to Orange County to do a presentation on the current budget. She distributed information on the presentation.
- Bill Daniel stated that the Chief Probation Officers in Southern California of Southern Region will have a meeting on April 27th at the Anaheim office. East Law Center was invited.
- Linda Smith stated that the Children and Transitional Aged Youths Subcommittee of the Mental Health Board will make a formal recommendation for transitional aged youths at their option to receive mental health care through the clinics they received mental health care when they were children or adolescents.

- 8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** At this time members of the public may address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action is taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law.

NEXT MEETING: March 15, 2007

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

April 19, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Jana Hoffmann, Mary Kavli, Marri Derby, Alan Albright, Alyce Mastrianni, Anne Bloxom, Denise Churchill, Betsy DeGarmoe, Beverly MacLaren, Mike Ryan, Victoria Garcia, MaryAnn Soden, Maritza Rodriguez Farr, Troy Jacobs, Tricia Budris, Phoenix Tran, Debbie Chitty, Hellen Howe, Cara Chastain, Nick Chrisos, Steve Sentman, Janet Nguyen, Diane Nguyen, Frank Ospino, Torhan Barnes, Desiree Penland

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** Alan Albright chaired the meeting. He welcomed new members from the California Youth Connection. Mike Ryan stated that Social Services Agency's (SSA) Chief Deputy Director Alisa Drakodaidis was promoted to Deputy Chief Executive Officer (CEO), effective May 7th. Troy Jacobs stated there are two grants regarding developmental screening that they have submitted, the VCHIP and ABCD Grants.
2. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the March 15, 2007 meeting.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** No updates.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden requested data and updates. She stated that at this time gangs would be considered as a Discussion Topic. Alan Albright suggested that members review previous reports, indicators, and/or issues to be looked at in depth. He stated that further discussion should be on the agenda for the next meeting.
5. **Program / Project updates:**
 - **Child Abuse Services Team:** Hellen Howe stated CAST is fully staffed. The new CAST Coordinator is Jyothi Atluri. CAST has been averaging 50 interviews a month. The majority of the interviews have been juvenile perpetrators, 10 to 14 a month. One third have been bilingual, primarily Spanish. There were two days with nine interviews each. Medical Director, Frederic Bruhn, has been providing training to law enforcement agencies, Lunch and Learn. CAST is working on their accreditation from the National Children Alliance for 2008.
 - **Foster Youth Services Program:** Betsy DeGarmoe stated they are streamlining the educational services for foster youths. They are working closely with SSA to contract four educational liaisons to work with out of home care dependent youth, ages 10 to 19, on educational services, approximately 1,000 youths. There is a Specialist in

Probation to help youth with Placement Orders. They are also working with SSA to have an Education Desk at SSA to help social workers answer questions and they are developing a database to get better information.

- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated they have implemented various programs through the funding of the Mental Health Act. The second quarter progress report is available on the Health Care Agency (HCA) website, www.ochealthinfo.com. There is \$4 million dollars in new money for children and transition-age youth. The plan was submitted for those growth funds and is being reviewed by the state. There are plans to expand full services to children and transition-aged youth with a special emphasis on probation youth. After six months, the two existing full service programs are almost at full capacity. They are implementing new programs, including mentoring services. Requested for Proposals were released. The Growth Plan is also on the website.
- Wraparound: Denise Churchill distributed a report regarding Wraparound Orange County, July 1, 2001 to December 31, 2006. In the section, "Demographics of the Children and Families We Serve," the report stated that since July 2001 Wraparound Orange County has served a total of 891 youths and their families. Of this number, 46 of the youths have had more than one wrap episode. A little more than half of youth served are males. The majority of youth at entry are in the age group of 13 to 15. There is an ethnically diverse population served. In the section, "Service and Wraparound Outcomes," the report illustrated an increase in the percentage of youth that remain in a family-like setting at the time of closure, as the youth's involvement in Wraparound increases. For the 619 youths that have concluded Wraparound, 70% are successfully residing in a family-like setting and 30% returned to a Group Home or other facility. From July 2006 to December 2006, the total number of new referrals received was 160. The majority of the referrals came from SSA. Wraparound is serving an average of 330 youths a month and nearing 1,000 youths served. There will be a reception on July 12th in Santa Ana to celebrate. A 5-Year Report and the Annual Report will be distributed at that time. In July, Wraparound will expand contract providers to include, Community Service Programs, Kinship Center, and Family Preservation Community Services.

6. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Mike Ryan stated they have submitted a plan for the transitional housing program for former foster youths, ages 18 to 24, and it has been approved for 70 beds.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: No updates.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated there is a launch date and that they have collected data. Ten hospitals participated in the double blind study.

7. **General Committee Member Comments:** Alan Albright acknowledged the tragic incident that occurred on the campus of Virginia Tech. The Crisis Response Network from the Orange County Department of Education, which responds to schools after critical incidents, has been invited to the next CSCC meeting to provide an overview and program update.

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NEXT MEETING: **May 17, 2007**

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

March 15, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Darlyne Pettinicchio, Dana Stits, Rick Martin, Jana Hoffman, Mary Kavli, Carolyn Kirkwood, Marri Derby, Clete Menke, Alan Albright, Alyce Mastrianni, Linda Smith, Anne Bloxom, Denise Churchill, Betsy DeGarmoe, Beverly MacLaren, Mike Ryan, Their Todd, Harriet Bemus, Jacque Berndt, Victoria Garcia, MaryAnn Soden, Maritza Rodriguez Farr, Troy Jacobs, Tricia Budris, Phoenix Tran, Amy Wheeler, Denise Churchill, Anne Bloxom, Debbie Chitty

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** Alan Albright is chairing the CSCC meeting. He reminded committee members to submit their 700 form to Tricia Budris by March 28th.
2. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the February 15, 2007 meeting. Minutes were approved with corrections regarding Wraparound and the CFS' Systems Improvement Plan (SIP) will go to the Board of Supervisors on May 15th.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Alan Albright stated an article appeared in the newspaper regarding the missing several hundred million dollars of the children's mental health funds in Sacramento. There are no immediate impacts on current services.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden distributed spreadsheets of Discussion Topics, Special Sections, and New Indicators. She facilitated an open discussion about the following possible Discussion Topics, the Special Section, and New Indicators:
 - Good Health: fitness opportunities for youths was proposed.
 - Economic Well Being: child support was proposed.
 - Educational Achievement: community service and graduation requirements were proposed.
 - Safe Homes and Communities: committee requested that gangs and domestic violence be considered and Child Death Review Team was proposed.
 - Special Section: homelessness was proposed.

At this time, no new indicators were proposed. The Child Death Review Team is following up with Michelle Berelowitz and they are looking at their presentation outside the discussion topic. Committee was informed that new indicators should to be proposed by the next meeting.

5. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe was not present. No update.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated they had two training with over 130 participants. They continue strengthening collaborations with support agencies.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright provided an update on the current programs. The Children's Full Service/Wraparound Program has enrolled 82 children this week with 138 referrals. The Children's Outreach and Engagement Program is at the beginning stages. The Children's Crisis Residential Program, which began in January, has served 11 children. The Children In-home Crisis Response Team, since October, has served 27 children and families. The Transitional Age Youth Full Service/Wraparound Program has 125 enrolled out of 191 referrals, 7 slots away from being at capacity, since it began operating in August. This program will have an opportunity to expand with growth dollars. The Transitioning Age Youth Crisis Residential Program and the combined Children & Transitional Age Youth Full Service/Wraparound Program are still pending. The Growth Plan has been submitted for review by the community. There is a public Mental Health Board meeting on March 22nd at the Delhi Center to gather public input and to vote on the Growth Plan.

Orange County may receive additional funding to focus on prevention and early intervention services for children, transitional age youth, adults, and older adults. Regarding growth funds, an RFP will be released for the Mentoring and Probation Full Service/Wraparound Program by the end of March.

- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that there are no updates at this time.

6. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Mike Ryan stated that two focus groups were held last month to assess Emancipation Services. Thirty participants participated in each focus group. The Transitional Housing Plus Program was allocated addition money by the State. Orange County is to receive \$140,000 with emergency legislation.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom stated that they are working collaboratively with Health Care Agency to collect and compare data regarding families with identified substance abuse issues are being served by both agencies.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated they are embarking on a federal study and the second project is a self-report survey.

7. General Committee Member Comments: No comments.

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NEXT MEETING: **April 19, 2007**

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

May 17, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Carolyn Kirkwood, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Mary Kavli, Russell Brammer, Dana Stits, Rick Martin, Alyce Mastrianni, Clete Menke, Janet Nguyen, Desiree Penland, Kelly Weaver, Diane Nguyen, Maritza Rodriguez Farr, Anne Bloxom, Denise Churchill, Bob Malmberg, Harriet Bemus, Beverly MacClaren, Hellen Howe, Victoria Garcia, Debbie Chitty, Phoenix Tran, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Theri Todd

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** There were no announcements.
2. **Presentation:** Arthur Cummins from OCDE completed a presentation on the Crisis Response Network of Orange County. Handouts were provided.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Michael Riley stated that SSA is reviewing the impact of the May Revise. Alan Albright stated that AB 2034 was not funded. This puts local programs in jeopardy. Proposition 36 reduced drug abuse services. EPSDT Medi-Cal funding is due to be increased. Rick Martin stated that OCDE's funding is lower not because of the State Budget, but due to declining enrollment of children.
4. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the April 19, 2007 meeting.
5. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden reminded everyone to submit their data and to update the local significance sections, if they haven't done so already. Mary Ann stated that the CFCOC would write the special section for the Annual Report. In June 2007 drafts will be distributed, however, each agency will only receive their section(s). Complete drafts will be distributed in July and August 2007. Michelle Berelowitz will bring approximately four covers for CSCC members to choose from to the June 2007 meeting.

Alyce Mastrianni recommended producing a supplemental report (6-8 pages). The purpose of the report will be to highlight a few priorities from the Annual Report and to outline strategies to improve in the identified areas. The supplemental report may be used by policy makers. Alyce stated CFCOC would fund the supplemental report.
6. **Program / Project updates:**
 - **Child Abuse Services Team:** Hellen Howe stated CAST completed 59 interviews last month and 25% were multi-language, including one in

Russian. Twelve of the interviews were with juvenile suspects. Hellen stated they are seeing a violent trend and younger suspects (under the age of 13). Twenty-three medical exams were completed and Dr Bruhn continues consulting.

- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated FYS is applying for a three year RFA for the Countywide FYS Program and the Juvenile Detention Grant.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated there's a public meeting next week before their mental health services report is submitted to the State. They have seven new programs for children and transitional youth. Only one of the programs isn't running yet due to an issue with the facility. They are implementing other new programs, including mentoring services with Growth dollars.
- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that their numbers are steady. Wraparound is serving 330 youth and is expanding in July 2007. There will be three new providers to make it a total of seven Wraparound providers. Wraparound received their 1,000th referral. A celebration is going to be held on July 12th at the Delhi Center. Additional information will be distributed soon.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated that the budget revise for THP+ approved 70 slots. Emancipation Services submitted their proposal to the State for Connection by 25.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom stated the next community forum will focus on safety issues, particularly concern over the number roll over child deaths. There will be an effort to educate the community. It'll take place in July 2007, but at this time, there is no confirmed date. Anne also stated that the Board of Supervisors approved CFS' SIP.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated they have the first phase of the prevalence study completed. Ten out of 16 hospitals participated. The second phase, which is a self-report survey regarding usage, is in progress. The initial review of the data should take place in July 2007.

- 8. General Committee Member Comments:** Russell Brammer stated they received their first shipment of the Safely Surrendered Babies DVDs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were comments.

NEXT MEETING: June 21, 2007

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

June 21, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Carolyn Kirkwood, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Mary Kavli, Russell Brammer, Dana Stits, Rick Martin, Alyce Mastrianni, Janet Nguyen, Desiree Penland, Diane Nguyen, Cara Chastain, Eric Handler, Marri Derby, Linda Smith, Betsy DeGarmoe, Anne Bloxom, Bob Malmberg, Beverly MacLaren, Hellen Howe, Victoria Garcia, Debbie Chitty, Thu Phan, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Emy Hillhouse, Theri Todd

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** There were no announcements.
2. **Presentation:** Thu Phan from SSA's Research Department presented the findings of the "Children Under Two Study," which was a profile of physical abuse and neglect cases of Orange County children that are less than two years of age and placed in foster care. Handouts were provided.
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the May 17, 2007 meeting, with a revision to the attendance.
4. **State legislation / budget update:** Michael Riley stated that the budget hearings were held last week and SSA appreciated the support of the Board of Supervisors. Alan Albright stated that most of their issues have been resolved. AB 2034 received less funding and is at risk of being cut. Mental Health Crime Reduction is being discussed and possible reduced and, therefore, programs are on hold. Jana Hoffmann stated that the Probation Department is anticipating returns from CYA based on the Governor shutting it down. CYA is returning youth sentenced to local counties if they are a 707A and all females are being returned. Orange County has 60-70 youth being returned. It has already begun to take place despite the budget not being approved yet.
5. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz asked the committee if there were any objections to printing more quick guides this year and using two colors for the inside printing. There were no objections. Michelle handed out a Status Report for data collection. Areas that are missing are highlighted. Michelle passed around samples of covers. The majority liked the cover with the boy blowing bubbles, however, it was determined that SSA or HCA would try to identify an actual family that has experienced homelessness for the cover. Complete drafts will be distributed in July and August 2007. Members were asked to please proof read your section(s).

6. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe stated that there were 26 medical exams, 27 medical consultations, and 57 interviews completed in May 2007. Victim Witness served 55 families. Advocates served 146 children. CAST has a vacant therapist position. They are updating the system for DA statistics and are going to conduct a presentation for Probation to identify gaps in system/issues for juvenile offenders.
- Foster Youth Services Program: No update.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): No update.
- Wraparound: Mike Ryan stated that 330 families were served. Beginning July 1st Wraparound will have seven providers and serve up to 650 youth. SSA Voluntary Family Services will have 35 slots and Adoptions will have 25 slots. On July 12th, Wraparound is celebrating its 1,000th referral at the Delhi Center.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated that they sent nine foster youth to San Francisco for the Teen Conference and there were no problems. The Emancipation Services Program is spending the start up THP+ funding.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom stated the Planning Council has an upcoming community forum that will focus specifically on the following five child safety issues; shaken baby syndrome, sleeping issues/roll over deaths, pool safety, cars safety, and choking. The date has not been confirmed. The event will discuss how groups can come together to educate the public.

The Building Community Partners Strategy Group continues to focus on regionalizing social workers and the ultimate goal is for all staff to be regionalized. The Recruitment, Training and Support Strategy Group focuses on recruitment and retention of resource families. There has been a decline in the number of foster homes in Orange County. This is happening across California. However, this past month in OC there were more new foster parents than the number lost. There has been success in reaching out to the faith based communities to assist in these efforts.

The Celebrating Families event took place on Wednesday. Parents who have successfully reunified with their children attend to celebrate their success with those that supported them during the time that they received family reunification services.

The Parent Leadership program has begun. It is a new program that hires parents as Mentors. It also includes a Warm Line to answer parent's questions. Linda Smith stated that there have been over 40 referrals to the program in a three-month period and it's going very well. Parent mentors are sharing common barriers to reunification with CFS and identifying areas that can be improved.

- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated the second phase of the prevalence study began in May 2007 and is about 50% complete. Data analysis of the first phase is progressing.

8. **General Committee Member Comments:** Michael Riley stated that there was a safely surrendered baby this month. Russell Brammer stated they finished the SSB DVD and there will be a 30 second airing in movie theaters.

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NEXT MEETING: July 19, 2007

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

July 19, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Carolyn Kirkwood, Greg Buchert, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Clete Menke, Dana Stits, Rick Martin, Alyce Mastrianni, Bill Gee, Desiree Penland, Diane Nguyen, Eric Handler, Marri Derby, Linda Smith, Mike Ryan, Betsy DeGarmoe, Hellen Howe, Bob Malmberg, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Victoria Garcia, Theri Todd, Curtis Condon, Denise Churchill, Harriet Bemus, Frank Ospino, Torhon Barnes

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** There were no announcements.
2. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the June 21, 2007 meeting, with revisions to Mental Health Services Act section.
3. **State legislation / budget update:** Michael Riley stated there is no update at this time. Clete Menke stated that they are pleased that an adjustment is being made to the group home and adoption rates.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz distributed drafts of the report. Michelle stated that all data has been submitted. The next draft, which will be distributed at the August 2007 meeting, will be the complete draft. Michelle requested that everyone please review the report carefully for content and typos. Mary Ann stated that there's a family for the cover and cover samples will be brought to the next meeting. Mary Ann discussed the timeline and recommended that the final draft be distributed at the August 2007 meeting and the final copy of the report be approved at the September 2007 CSCC meeting. There were no objections. Dr. Handler inquired about including the Substance/Perinatal Study in this year's report. Mary Ann stated it was decided to include it next year, when it is complete. Michael Riley asked about including trends and highlights specifically on what is working. Michelle stated this should be done in the Local Significance section.
5. **Supplemental Policy Report:** Mary Ann asked if there were any comments on the Supplemental Policy Report that was distributed by email. Alyce Mastrianni stated it is a document designed to be used at the policy level to highlight and identify action steps. Alan Albright said he thought it was excellent, easy to get through, but asked about how it could best be put to use, to make it an available and a valuable tool. Mary Ann stated that she'd arrange for a meeting for interested members, to further discuss the Supplemental Policy Report.

6. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe stated that there were 61 interventions and five cases with juvenile suspects. There were 20 exams and 16 consultations with Dr. Bruhn. They have hired a new therapist and 14 children received services. Trainings are in progress. They are working with the Anaheim Police Department to present to social workers in August 2007.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated that they are implementing a new database that they are excited about.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated Wraparound is at capacity. The Outreach Teams are busy providing outreach and managing new cases. The In-Home Crisis Response Team is busy day and night. They are expanding Wraparound to add 55 slots.

The State released guidelines for the next phase that focuses on prevention and early intervention (handout). Alan stated that the County stands to gain 12 to 20 million per year to expand prevention and early intervention services. Alan provided another handout that outlines how the State wants this to be addressed. A minimum of 51% must be targeted to clients ages 0 – 25, since this is primarily when mental illness onset begins. It should target those not yet diagnosed, but at risk. Alan stated they will partner with organizations and departments (law enforcement, social services, education, health providers, etc.) to determine those underserved. Other CSCC members stated they want to continue to be informed about what happens with this because they come in contact with a lot of people who are at risk. Alan emphasized that this funding is aimed at those they are coming into contact with for the first time. Additional guidelines will be issued by the State and they are still looking at their own ideas for the funding. Alan stated that if members haven't been involved in the stakeholder process in the past, to please do so now. He is the contact person and will keep CSCC members informed of upcoming meetings.

- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that they have served 330 children and have seven direct service providers. They will soon have capacity for 400 youth and eventually 600 youth. They are going to expand services to include Dependency Drug Court, large sibling sets, Adoption Assistance Program (AAP) families, Voluntary Family Services (VFS) families, and Emergency Response (ER) families. They continue with Probation and Mental Health referrals. Denise stated that they have increased their provider network to include in-home safety aides and crisis services. In addition, there was a site visit from the State in June 2007 and it went very well. The State found that Orange County staff and management are dedicated, knowledgeable, and willing to share with other counties. Michael Riley acknowledged how well Orange County is doing compared to adjacent counties and stressed that what we're doing is working. Denise stated they celebrated the 1,000th referral last week and over 150 people attended the celebration.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- **Emancipation Services:** Bob Malmberg stated they are working on four new projects. CC by 25 will send one representative from CFS and one representative from Orangewood Children's Foundation (OCF) to Fresno. They are matching saving accounts for youth and have \$40,000 per year to match funds.

In addition, Bob stated that they are preparing to redesign ILP and 368 foster care providers were sent invitations to nine focus groups, which are being held at five FRCs. The first focus group was held yesterday, but unfortunately no one showed up. They are looking at ways to engage foster care providers to look at ways to get youth to implement ILP skills in their daily life. Youth need more opportunities to remember and use the skills they've learned. They want foster parent's input and feedback.

There is a new pilot project focusing on youth permanency and locating family members for youth. There also is an African American foster youth program that will match youth with professionals from the African American community to assist them with setting goals, academic preparation, and to help provide direction to the youth. Michael Riley stated this is a key issue nationally. African Americans are overrepresented in Child Welfare Services and in group homes. Orange County wants to get an early start addressing this issue.

- **Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council:** Mike Ryan announced that the Community Forum will be held on August 15th.
- **Perinatal Substance Abuse:** Curtis Condon stated that they look forward to having all of the results soon and about 1/3 of all births are being studied.

8. **General Committee Member Comments:** Carolyn Kirkwood stated that they are excited about the cross training with SSA, County Counsel, and the Public Defenders office. It seems to be making a difference, as the bench officers are seeing results in the Courtrooms.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were no comments.

NEXT MEETING: August 16, 2007

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

August 16, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Eric Handler, Russell Brammer, Shawne Marsh, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Clete Menke, Dana Stits, Kelly Weaver, Mary Kavli, Alyce Mastrianni, Desiree Penland, Janet Nguyen, Linda Smith, Diane Nguyen, Gary Taylor, Maritza Rodriguez Farr, Anne Bloxom, Betsy DeGarmoe, Hellen Howe, Bob Malmberg, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Victoria Garcia, Theri Todd, Curtis Condon, Denise Churchill, Debbie Chitty, Beverly MacLaren, Harriet Bemus

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** Michael Riley stated that the Community Forum on child safety issues was a success. There was a good turnout and Dr. Riley thanked everyone for their support.
2. **State legislation / budget update:** Dr. Riley stated there is no update at this time, hopefully the budget will be resolved soon. CalWORKs may be affected which will in turn affect Children and Family Services (CFS) because CalWORKs services are prevention services for CFS families. When families are under stress and lack resources, they are more likely to harm children. Alan Albright stated that Behavioral Health is looking okay. There may be a reduction in homeless programs. It's still being argued. Steve Sentman stated that Probation is working with CDSS on TJJ Reform, Housing and Support, and Adult Reform. They are waiting to see how much funding there will be. Dr. Riley stated that traditionally in Child Welfare Services summers were slow, however this year has been different. For example, there were 44 Child Abuse Reports within a 72-hour period and petition filing was up 15%. Also, the issues with the families are more severe.
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the July 19, 2007 meeting. Minutes approved as written.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz distributed drafts of the report and of the Special Section. Michelle requested that comments/changes to the Special Section be submitted by Monday, August 20, 2007. She also emphasized that this is a critical time for people to review the report. Changes on the draft are due to Victoria by August 30, 2007. At the September 2007 meeting, the committee members will vote to send the report to print. Michelle also handed out the list for the front cover of the report and requested that agencies check to make sure the correct people are listed.

Mary Ann handed out copies of two covers for the members to review and one was selected by majority vote. Michelle stated the inside colors will be green and blue. The date for the Forum has not been finalized, it will probably

be the last week of October 2007. The keynote speaker has not been confirmed. Eric Handler stated that he knew of potential speakers. Dr. Riley stated that for the 14th Annual Report he would like the Local Significance Section to be proactive and focus specifically on what we're doing for each of the indicators.

Dr. Handler stated that the video, "In Their Own Voices" is very powerful and suggested it be used at the Forum. He will provide Michelle with a copy.

5. **Supplemental Policy Report:** Alyce Mastrianni distributed the revised Call to Action Report. Alyce stated that the subcommittee met and recommended a change for the template. The report will focus on current efforts and best practices in Orange County. The subcommittee is meeting in August 2007 to finalize the report.

6. **Program / Project updates:**

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe stated that July was a busy month for CAST. They conducted 49 interviews and 20 exams were completed, 13 of which were for sexual abuse. The numbers for therapy services have been down because they didn't have a full team. They typically see clients for one to three months and some clients are seen up to six months. CAST is in the process of recruiting an advocate.

CAST distributed customer surveys to all who utilize their services. Overall the feedback was very positive, but there were some areas identified to work on. The primary issues were scheduling interviews and getting the team together for emergency situations. CAST is going to do the customer surveys annually.

CAST is also pleased that the Anaheim Police Department is increasing training efforts for joint investigations. The first one is in two weeks and CAST is hoping to expand this to other police departments.

- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated that education services has been proactive. They are working on their database, which will make access to student information readily available. They are also working with TDMs and are connected to Wraparound.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright provided handouts. He stated that the State issued funding estimates and Orange County will receive 7.7 million for new programs and services. In FY 2008-09, they anticipate it will be 16.4 million for prevention/early intervention service. They are in the planning stages for the prevention/early intervention services funding. Alan stated he will be the primary contact person if anyone has ideas. In the next four to five months, HCA will schedule focus groups to help identify community needs. Spring 2008 they will submit their plan to the state. Alan stated that there is also 2 million allocated for planning funding.

Alan stated they have three new programs, Transition Age Youth Crisis Residential Housing, which is a six bed that will open in October 2007. They have completed the RFP for a new Mentoring Program and Full Services Wraparound is currently in the evaluation panel stage of the RFP process.

- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that their numbers are strong. There are seven contractors, three are new. Denise stated that the new database will be in place soon and she is going to co-chair the Cal Wrap Alliance.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated that Probation staff, SSA staff, and one provider will attend the California C by 25 Conference. They continue to work on the Youth Permanency Project, helping youth reconnect with family members. Bob stated that they conducted focus groups with foster parents that have youth ages fifteen and above. Attendance was small, but the information was good. The goal is to redesign the ILP program for FY 2008-09. Bob also stated that it looks like the state is going to increase funding for THP+.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Anne Bloxom stated that the Community Forum was a success approximately 150 attended. There were a lot of community partners in attendance and CFS is very appreciative of everyone's suggestions and help. Anne stated that the feedback from the event will be reported to the Planning Council.

The Federal Outcomes Measure, first quarterly report was released and CFS is still deciphering it. There are now seventeen measures. The Federal standard goals are now higher. New State goals have not yet been received.

Anne announced that there is going to be a "Meet and Greet" on October 17, 2007 in Santa Ana. This event supports CFS' regionalization goal.

- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated that the second half of the study is complete. They will be tabulating the data over the next few months.

8. General Committee Member Comments: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were no comments.

NEXT MEETING: September 20, 2007

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

September 20, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Mike Ryan, Eric Handler, Troy Jacobs, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Clete Menke, Kelly Weaver, Desiree Penland, Rene Ruiz, Linda Smith, Rick Martin, Marri Derby, Carolyn Kirkwood, Janis White, Gary Taylor, Betsy DeGarmoe, Bob Malmberg, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Michelle Berelowitz, Victoria Garcia, Perlee Trout, Theri Todd, Denise Churchill, Debbie Chitty, Arlene Burt, Beverly MacLaren, Harriet Bemus, Laura Yescas

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** Desiree Penland, the new CA Youth Connection representative introduced herself and provided background information. Mike Ryan announced that this is Troy Jacob's last CSCC meeting.
2. **State legislation / budget update:** Mike Ryan stated there were no further cuts in the Governor's budget to the Children and Family Services budget. There was a 5% increase to group home and foster home rates. Clete Menke stated that legislation is moving forward with Residential Redesign. This would allow for flexible use of funding for group homes. Mike stated four counties will be selected. Clete stated that it will look at all group home services, structure, staffing, funding, etc. The governor has 30 days to approve. Mike stated that there is also proposed legislation to extend the amount of time a mother has to surrender her baby to seven days. That is on the governor's desk. Theri Todd spoke about AB2034. The governor agreed to pass \$64 million to counties.
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the August 16, 2007 meeting. Minutes approved as written.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden and Michelle Berelowitz thanked everyone for their contributions to the 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children in Orange County. There was a discussion about the title of the special section, the group agreed to change it. Any minor changes must be provided as soon as possible. The report goes to print on Tuesday. There will be 4,000 books and 5,000 quick guides. The Board Hearing is going to be October 16, 2007 and the CSCC members will receive copies at the next CSCC meeting on October 18, 2007. The Community Forum will be on October 29, 2007 at Cal State Fullerton. Keynote speakers were discussed
5. **ACTION ITEM:** Approved 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children for printing and publication.

6. **Supplemental Policy Report:** Perlee Trout stated that input on the Call to Action Report is needed by Monday. The Report will go to the graphic designer by October 1, 2007. Perlee asked for comments/suggestions regarding the lay out.

7. **Program / Project updates:**

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe was not present. No update.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated that their year-end report outlines what has happened in the last twelve months. They have a new database, they've added two new positions, all staff are hired and trained, they now provide TDM and Wraparound support, and continue to strengthen collaborations with partners.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Theri Todd stated their third full service program, Project Focus, is now open. It's being operated by a group of three organizations in Garden Grove. The program has 50 slots. Children and Youth Services West will provide therapy. Kim Phan, 834-4556, is available if there are questions.

Teri stated that they are excited about the Prevention/Early Intervention Programs. The Steering Committee is meeting in October 2007. Alan Albright is the contact person and will keep the CSCC updated. Handout provided on Mental Health Services.

- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated they received 59 referrals in August. Last year the average was 27. The three new providers are continuing with start up, but there are no concerns. They served 365 youth, the capacity is 400 this year and 500 next year. Post adoptive families are now being served.

8. **Subcommittee reports:**

- Emancipation Services: Bob Malmberg stated they are working on the RFP for the ILP redesign. They will release the RFP for the Scatter Site Apartments for THP+ on October 30, 2007. The contract should be in place April 2008. The Host Family project is also underway and they anticipate having seven host families by October 30, 2007. The state issued \$10.7 million additional funding for THP+. Bob provided a handout on Mental Health Services Act Conference, which will be held on October 22, 2007 in Garden Grove.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Gary Taylor stated at the last meeting they provided feedback from the forum and discussed ways to educate the public on safety issues.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated they have looked at the collected data from the second part of the study. They are finding similar findings between the urinalysis and self-report. In January 2008 they will report on all findings.

9. General Committee Member Comments: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were no comments.

NEXT MEETING: **October 18, 2007**

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

October 18, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Janet Nguyen, Alan Albright, Mike Ryan, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Desiree Penland, Rene Ruiz, Linda Smith, Rick Martin, Marri Derby, Carolyn Kirkwood, Alyce Mastrianni, Russell Brammer, Dana Stits, Mary Kavli, Jess Carbajal, Gary Taylor, Betsy DeGarmoe, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Perlee Trout, Theri Todd, Denise Churchill, Debbie Chitty, Beverly MacLaren, Curt Condon, Shawnee Marsh, Maritza Rodriguez-Farr, Laura Yescas, Torhan Barnes

1. **Introductions/Announcements:** Supervisor Janet Nguyen thanked everyone for their support with the 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children and Dr. Riley for his presentation at the Board Hearing.
2. **Tustin Family Campus Presentation:** Jess Carbajal, SSA Administration Division Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Tustin Family Campus. Dr. Riley provided information on the programs that will be at the Campus and answered questions. The RFP will be released on November 19, 2007.
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the September 20, 2007 meeting. Minutes approved as written.
4. **State Legislation/Budget Update:** Mike Ryan stated that the Residential Redesign legislation passed and four counties will be eligible. Orange County may not be a top candidate because we have low numbers of youth in group homes due to programs such as Wraparound.

Mike stated that Safely Surrendered Babies legislation, which would have increased the number of days a mother has to surrender her baby from three to seven days, was vetoed.
5. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden thanked everyone for their contributions to the 13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children in Orange County and Dr. Riley for his presentation at the Board Hearing. It was noted that a few newspapers covered the Annual Report. Reports and Quick Guides were available to CSCC members and attendees. Mary Ann stated that the Community Forum would be held October 29, 2007 at Cal State Fullerton. Registration for the Forum is available online.

6. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe was not present. No update.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe stated that their new database is allowing them to help SSA, Probation, and school districts by providing educational information on Orange County foster youth placed in out-of-home care. She stated they are also providing the educational information for TDMs and this is going really well.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan Albright stated that the Steering Committee is now meeting to discuss Prop 63 funding. The state guidelines are specific and require that 51% of the funding must be spent on the 1 – 25 year old population. The Steering Committee, however, approved to increase this to 75% for Orange County. This will allow HCA to intervene early with families and provide prevention services to decrease mental health issues. A subcommittee will be developed to help with the planning process and focus groups will be conducted. Alan stated that HCA is also conducting a survey to obtain input. A handout with information was provided. Please complete the survey and if any agencies would like to sponsor a focus group, please contact Alan.
- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated their new database is now accessible to SSA, HCA, Probation and Wraparound contract providers. They also have a new Wrap Fidelity Index tool. Denise stated that they will present at Probation's conference in February 2008 and June 12 – 14th is the California Wraparound Institute Conference.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: Gary Taylor stated that the Mental Health Conference is on Monday in Garden Grove.
- Child Welfare Services Redesign Planning Council: Gary Taylor stated Raquel Amezcua is the new SSA Family-to-Family Program Manager and will present on the Planning Council in the future.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated they will spend November 2007 reviewing the data from both studies and will report the findings early next year.

8. General Committee Member Comments:

- Linda Smith stated that Parent Leadership is going well. Their goal was to serve 60 families and they have already served 80.
- Russell stated that last year's Grand Jury reported that the public lacked knowledge on child abuse reporting, therefore, the Raise Foundation created posters. If you would like a copy, please contact Russell.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were no comments.

NEXT MEETING: **November 15, 2007**

Children's Services Coordination Committee (CSCC)

November 15, 2007 Minutes

In Attendance:

Michael Riley, Alan Albright, Mike Ryan, Jana Hoffmann, Steve Sentman, Janet Nguyen, Linda Smith, Eric Handler, Clete Menke, Marri Derby, Carolyn Kirkwood, Alyce Mastrianni, Russell Brammer, Dana Stits, Mary Kavli, Matthew Harper, Betsy DeGarmoe, Tricia Budris, Mary Ann Soden, Hellen Howe, Theri Todd, Denise Churchill, Debbie Chitty, Beverly MacLaren, Curt Condon, Shawnee Marsh, Laura Yescas, Torhan Barnes

1. **Introductions / Announcements:** The next meeting on December 20, 2007 is cancelled and meetings will resume in January 2008.
2. **State Legislation/ budget update:** Dr. Riley stated that the Governor proposed 10% cuts across the board. CDSS hasn't made any official statements. Social Services Agency is waiting for more information to determine the impact. Linda Smith stated that she is concerned, as the cuts will affect the Healthy Families program, which puts pressure on other agencies. It is anticipated that there will be a longer wait list.
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and approved minutes from the October 18, 2007 meeting. Minutes approved as written.
4. **13th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Mary Ann Soden thanked everyone and indicated that the Community Forum went well as there were approximately 400 people in attendance. Evaluations that were completed at the event indicated that it raised public awareness on homelessness. If any agencies need copies of the report they should contact Mary Ann. There was a discussion on homelessness as an indicator. Preparations for the next **14th Annual Report on the Conditions of Children** will begin in February 2008.
5. **Call to Action:** Alyce Mastrianni requested that agencies identify point persons to take responsibility for action items in the report. It was determined that Good Health will be covered by the Health Care Agency; Economic Well-being will be covered by Social Services Agency, partnering with Orangewood Children's Home, Orange County Department of Education, Family Resource Centers, and the Raise Foundation; Educational Achievement will be covered by the OC Department of Education; Safe Homes and Communities will be covered by the Probation Department, Social Services Agency, and The Raise Foundation. The names of the specific persons for each item are needed. Any additional input is needed as soon as possible. A handout was provided.

6. Program / Project updates:

- Child Abuse Services Team: Hellen Howe stated that they've had two staff retire, including Dr. Bruhn. There is an interim physician; Dr. Sandra Murray, so there will be no gaps in services. Hellen stated that there were 59 forensic interviews, 15 new medical exams, 15 follow-up exams, and one third of reports received have been regarding juvenile perpetrators. CAST will be undergoing changes; systems will improve to include to a better quality of DVDs and sound proof the interview rooms.
- Foster Youth Services Program: Betsy DeGarmoe indicated that their new staff is trained. They are coordinating services to keep children in the same school when they move and staff are providing follow-up.
- Mental Health Services Act (Prop. 63): Alan stated that they are in the final stages of implementing the funding for two programs with MHSA funding. Mentoring is being expanded to transitional age youth and parents and they will offer full service Wraparound for youth offenders. They're going to the Board for approval in a few weeks.

Alan stated that the subcommittee of the steering committee for the Prevention/Early Intervention Programs met yesterday. The online survey has received approximately 50 responses. Alan requested help notifying the community to access the survey and provide input. It was suggested that the next CSCC consist of a focus group. CSCC members were in agreement.

- Wraparound: Denise Churchill stated that they are working closely with Orange County Department of Education to address educational issues. She stated that Probation is referring clients and they are assigned with connecting families and helping youth access recommended treatment.

Denise stated that Taiwan has shown interest and liked the Wraparound program in Orange County. Japan is also interested in our approach and replicating it. Dr. Riley indicated that there has been various countries interested in Orange County's Child Welfare System, including Germany, Sweden, Japan, and China.

7. Subcommittee reports:

- Emancipation Services: ESP is finalizing the THP + housing and scattered apartment sites and both should be operational in April 2008. ESP is watching the State budget closely.
- Perinatal Substance Abuse: Debbie Chitty stated that their report and survey are being finalized. They may present the information at the February 2008 CSCC meeting. It was noted that the study showed disproportion with Blacks and Hispanics. Furthermore, self-reporting is accurate but illegal drug use is under reported.

- **General Committee Member Comments:** Russell Brammer announced that the Raise Foundation is having a breakfast on December 13, 2007 at the Santa Ana Country Club and everyone is welcome.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law. There were no comments.

NEXT MEETING: **There will no meeting December 2007.**