

## **Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) Committee Minutes**

**Date:** September 19, 2019  
**Location:** HOA Conference Room A  
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd, Santa Ana, CA 92701

### **Committee Members/Alternates Attendees:**

Eldon Baber, Debra Baetz, Karen Christensen, Kim Goll, Jeff Hittenberger, Debra Kegel, Tracy LeSage, Stephanie Marangi, Hon Judge Motoike, Makaelah Perkins, Lynda Perring, Nichole Quick, Patrick Rich, John Zeimantz

### **Non-Committee Attendees:**

Denise Churchill, Betsy DeGarmoe, Alice Kim, Anne Light, Alyson Piguee, Kristina Traw

### **1. Introductions / Announcements**

Self-introductions were made.

### **2. Action Item: Approval of Minutes**

Meeting minutes from August 15, 2019 were approved.

### **3. Annual Conditions of Children's Report – Kim Goll**

A PDF of the draft report was distributed to OCCP for review and comments. Review ended September 18, and is ready for printing. Report will be presented to the Board of Supervisors in October, 2019. Conditions of Children-related community forums will be held in all districts. Lisa Burke unavailable to provide updates on action items. Items to be discussed in October.

#### **Action items:**

Discuss future of digital report  
Process for incorporating and evaluating success stories

### **4. 2019 OCCP Areas of Focus/Goal**

#### **a) Legislative Updates – Kristina Traw**

Four bills are now on the Governor's desk and the Governor has until October 13, 2019, to decide whether to sign, veto or let them become law without his signature:

- AB 413 Education: at-promise youth
- AB 1004 Developmental screening services
- AB 1767 Pupil suicide prevention policies
- SB 445 Alcohol and drug treatment: youth

Remaining two bills have become 2-Year bills that cannot be heard or voted on until the Legislature reconvenes in January 2020:

- AB 465 is now a firearm relinquishment bill that will no longer be tracked
- AB 1031 Youth Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Program Act of 2019 failed to move out of the Senate Appropriations committee

**b) Secured Facility Committee Updates – Denise Churchill**

The OCCP Ad Hoc Committee workgroup has reviewed a sub-license category of STRTP called Children’s Crisis Residential Program (CCRP). The CCRP model has similar components of the prior program proposal draft, which emphasizes raising the service level above an STRTP. CCRPs serve youth who are experiencing mental health crisis as an alternative to psychiatric hospitalization. CCRPs would be considered a treatment for acute needs rather than a long-term placement option. One limitation of CCRPs is that the length of stay is 10 days, but the CCRP model allows for extensions. Maximum number of beds is 16 and half of those are to be single occupancy. Interim licensing standards for CCRPs were released in 2018, but implementation of CCRPs is on hold statewide, as Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) continues to identify standards for mental health service. CCRP treatment would be paid by Medi-Cal and staffed by more mental health professionals.

The committee recommended further exploration of the CCRP model and consideration of proposing a hybrid model to CDSS (incorporating components of CCRPs and our prior program proposal). Comparison between CCRP and Crisis Residential to be conducted. Committee is in the process of planning site visits to various facilities; to be scheduled in September/October. The committee agreed to conduct a Cost/Benefit analysis to explore and identify any statewide outcome studies that already exist to be compared/analyzed in relation to Orange County data. A subgroup has been created to focus on the cost/benefit analysis for proposing either the hybrid or original model.

**c) Survey potential meeting dates – Debra Baetz**

Will revisit and survey new potential meeting dates for 2020.

**5. WE CAN Presentation – Anne Light**

Anne Light provided a brief overview of the WE CAN (Working to End Child Abuse & Neglect) Coalition. WE CAN represents a diverse spectrum of stakeholders both public and private, comprised of more than 60 organizations and over 100 programs and partnerships. WE CAN’s mission is to prevent, diagnose, treat child abuse and neglect, and to strengthen the health and well-being of children, families and communities.

The Coalition has nine distinct task forces to address the needs of children, families and communities across the spectrum of prevention, diagnosis and treatment. All task forces are comprised of subject matter experts and supported by key county stakeholders. The Coalition provides resources, research, and training for child welfare agencies, medical and law enforcement professionals, and organizational support for agencies that work with vulnerable populations. For more information, please to refer to [The WE CAN Coalition](#).

**6. OCCJCC Integrated Strategy Review – Debra Baetz**

Debra continued the discussion of OCCP Committee’s objectives and vision. Debra reflected on the Orange County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council’s (OCCJCC) Integrated Services Strategy report and vision, as a framework for the future of OCCP. OCCJCC identified five core components in order to improve the level of care and ensure effective collaborations. Debra proposed following OCCJCC’s framework for mapping out our system of care, identifying pillars and components. The committee agreed to follow the framework and identified areas of interest: Health and well-being, intervention and prevention, protection. The committee

recommended creating an Ad Hoc committee for the purpose of developing the framework and identifying pillars, prior to scheduling an OCCP offsite meeting.

The Ad Hoc committee will include representation from OCCP partners. The proposed Ad Hoc meeting date is November 12, 2019. The Ad Hoc committee is to provide the OCCP Committee an update at the November 21 meeting. The OCCP committee agreed to continue discussion on strategizing the proposed strategic goals at next meeting. The OCCP Committee offsite meeting will strategize a comprehensive approach for OCCP Committee's strategic goals.

**Action items**

Request to formalize the creation of an Ad Hoc committee will be added to October's agenda.

Offsite to strategize OCCP Committee's goals - to be scheduled in January, 2020.

Survey potential meeting dates for 2020.

**7. Planning Session OCCP's Offsite Meeting – All**

Discussed in item 6.

**8. General Committee Member Comments**

None

**Public Comments**

None

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is on October 17, 2019 at Hall of Administration

Minutes taken by Esther Marquez