



Minutes of the Pre-IPAC meeting and CA ICW Forms Workgroup

Date: April 11th, 2007

In attendance:

Name	Tribe/Organization
Liz Mueller	Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Helen Fenrich	Tulalip Tribes
Carmelita Adkins	IPSS, Region 4
Lynnette Jordon	United Indians of All Tribes
Janeen Comenote	United Indians of All Tribes
Nancy Dufraine	CA ICW Program Manager
LouAnn Carter	CA, Region 3
Janice Banning	Program Manager, Region 3
Colleen Cawston	IPSS, HQ
Trudy Marcellay	IPSS Region 6
Judy Heinemann	Samish Tribe
Shirley Aragon	Area Administrator, Region 4
Daryl Toulou	Colville Confederated Tribes
Ricki Peone Haugen	CAMAS Institute, Kalispel Tribe
Rebecca Peck	Samish Tribe
Sharon Curley (by phone)	Muckleshoot Tribe
Kathy Picard	Program Manager, Region 1
Gwen Gua	SPIPA
Whitney Jones	Squaxin Tribe
Chris Robinson (during her presentation)	Practice Model Co-Director
Katherine Horne	Shoalwater Tribe
Don Milligan (by phone)	STOWW
Doug Meyer	Makah Tribe
Richard Wells	Nisqually Tribe
Norine Wells	Nisqually Tribe
Jonette Reyes (by phone)	Hoh Tribe
Cheryl Miller	Skokomish Tribe
Elizabeth Griffin Hall	Chehalis Tribe
Bernie Roberts (by phone)	Nooksack Tribe
Betsy Tulee	CA ICW Program Manager, HQ

Next Meeting: May 8th, 2007
9:00 to 1:30
DSHS
OB-2, Mt. St. Helen's room (third floor)
1115 Washington St SE
Olympia, WA.

And

May 14th, 10:00 to 1:00
DSHS,
OB-2, SL03 (basement floor, near cafeteria)
1115 Washington St SE
Olympia, WA. 98504

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Agenda Item	Discussion	Disposition
CA Funding distribution	<p>Nancy Dufraime led discussion on the funding distribution of CA ICW funds that are contracted out to Tribes and Recognized American Indian Organizations (RAIO's). She handed out the current funding amount as well as the additional funding request that is currently being reviewed at the legislative level. The current funding request has been approved by both Houses and the Governor. It is very close to being approved and passed; we should know the final legislative outcome by 4/22/07.</p> <p>Nancy also shared the different proposed funding distributions formulas.</p> <p>Judy Heinemann stated the preference that the user population be based on 2006 IHS numbers.</p> <p>Helen Fenrich and Jonette Reyes both agreed.</p> <p>Helen Fenrich asked if RAIO's do case management.</p> <p>Janeen Comenote stated United Indians of All Tribes delivers a wide array of services including foster care licensing, group care services, Headstart and is re-starting case management services. UIATF previously delivered case management and looks forward to doing so again. They serve a baseline number of clients of approximately of 200-250.</p> <p>It was noted that these services are often funded with different pots of money as well.</p> <p>Nancy noted that she developed a baseline to support the reasoning/justification for the requested increase of ICW funds which included the disproportionate number of Indian children in care and the disparity of services to Indian children.</p> <p>Sharon Curley asked if the baseline funding is greater for RAIO's then Tribes.</p> <p>Nancy indicated that the history of the development of the baseline funding and the overall funding distribution is still being looked at- don't have a complete picture at this time.</p> <p>Judy asked if there would be a conversation about equity of funding</p>	<p>CA ICW budget request has nearly been approved at legislative level; final disposition should be made by 4/22/07.</p> <p>Tribes and Recognized American Indian organizations are encouraged to provide input into funding distribution process.</p> <p>There will be two more meeting to discuss this issue before the final consultation process with Tribal leaders.</p> <p>Nancy made announcement that the meeting set for May 9th will be moved to May 8th (see above for location).</p> <p>Whitney Jones suggested one more meeting date be added to prepare for final consultation meeting.</p> <p>Additional meeting date set for May 14th (see above for location).</p> <p>Attorneys from both Children's Administration and tribes will have the opportunity to review the recommended changes prior</p>

	<p>distribution.</p> <p>Helen noted that the distribution occurred in the 1980's and Tribe's did not really get to the table until the 1990's. She said now it is time to revisit the distribution. Tribal capacity has grown and needs to grow more and tribal populations have also increased.</p> <p>Jonette Reyes stated this should specifically go to tribes.</p> <p>Liz M. noted that the State has always recognized the tribes and the 5 RAIO's and that there is a need to serve all Indian children.</p> <p>Helen said it would be helpful to see the numbers of children served.</p> <p>Nancy said reports will be compiled and reviewed.</p> <p>Helen reiterated that the most current user population numbers should be used in the distribution process.</p> <p>Colleen Cawston noted that there are other populations that can be considered as well.</p> <p>Helen agreed and indicated tribal enrollment might be one.</p> <p>Colleen said those would be the BIA numbers as of February.</p> <p>Trudy Marcellay stated if there is further input it can be sent/mailed to IPSS, Nancy Dufraine or Betsy Tulee.</p>	<p>to the submission of the final draft to tribal leaders.</p>
<p>Practice Model</p>	<p>Chris Robinson discussed certain components of the Practice Model.</p> <p>She noted that CA is changing from its current risk assessment model that involves looking at major domains and intuiting risk to a more concrete, actuarial model that is being done in about half the States. Plan to begin new model in October 2007.</p> <p>It will be monitored for about 3-6 months.</p> <p>On thing that needs to be done is to look at the definitions and make the language really concrete.</p> <p>On June 5th and 6th a group will convene to look at the language/definitions for the pilot.</p> <p>Chris would really like to have Tribal representation.</p> <p>Chris is inviting tribes to submit names to participate in this process. She does not think it will actually take two full days but has set aside two days for the process.</p> <p>She will send the tool and definitions via list serve.</p> <p>Judy asked if this will be tied to data and be tracked.</p> <p>Chris said yes.</p> <p>Judy suggested assessing whether there are other family members that are aware of the abuse and what is their response.</p> <p>Chris said this is great input-it may fit very well with the family assessment phase.</p> <p>Chris also noted that CA is looking at implementing Solution Based Casework.(SBC) It has established positive outcomes with the general population (not measured specific to the Indian populations). A similar model, solution focused practice, has been utilized by some tribes in their substance abuse programs. SBC involves utilizing good clinical skills and is strong on family engagement.</p> <p>Jonette Reyes suggested CA staff participate in the on-line Neglect training developed by NICWA to support this.</p>	<p>Chris Robinson would like to encourage tribal representation/participation in the two following processes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in the development of the definitions and language in the new risk assessment model that will roll out October 2007 to support culturally/tribally responsive assessment. This will occur on June 5th and 6th. • Review the Solution Based Casework model that is being developed and participate in the the development of the training curricula to ensure integration of culturally/tribally responsive service delivery. <p>Chris said to contact Betsy Tulee at email tube300@dshs.wa.gov or phone number (425-673-3269) or Nancy Dufraine at email nadu300@dshs.wa.gov (360-902-7578) regarding participation.</p>

	<p>Chris indicated that CA will be contracting for SBC training and would like to invite tribes to participate in the process of curriculum development.</p> <p>Liz brought concerns regarding Family Team Decision Meetings; she indicated that often times the case manager/social workers do not agree with tribal recommendations and do not understand ICWA or other ICW/tribal related issues. Other tribal person at the meeting echoed Liz's concerns.</p> <p>Cheryl Miller asked if there is an impasse procedure in place.</p> <p>Kathy P. indicated that the impasse procedure can be used to address this issue.</p> <p>Chris said she and Nancy can take it to the Management Team and/or address with the Family to Family Program managers to reinforce ICWA. Chris indicated that she and Nancy together can elevate this issue.</p> <p>Judy suggested folks consider addressing FTDM conflicts in the 7/01 meetings.</p> <p>Person who facilitate these meetings (FTDM) need to have a clear understanding of ICWA and the Tribal-State Agreements.</p>	<p>Chris also responded to concerns regarding Family Team Decision Meetings by stating that she and Nancy can elevate this to the Management Team level and together they can both advocate for a response they can provide to tribes about the concerns voiced. She also indicated that she could bring concerns to the Family2 Family Program Managers.</p>
<p>Local Agreements</p>	<p>Nancy led a discussion on the review and revision of the CA Tribal Local Agreements that is currently under way. She distributed the most recent draft (which was also emailed out). She said the draft was put together by looking at current agreements and pulling the best pieces out. Changes were made in response to feedback from the last meeting as well as feedback sent to CA. She noted that this is a template; it can be revised as needed to meet the needs of specific tribes.</p> <p>Recommendations were made; please see attached draft with track changes included.</p> <p>Primary points noted include the importance of emphasizing concurrent and exclusive jurisdiction held by tribes, the importance of tribes being notified of a new referrals/open cases from the get go including afterhours (as per tribal request), and a section has been added for 'Expert Witness' (section V).</p> <p>Trudy stated it is important to have an 'out' (sunset date or statement indicating that the Agreement can be changed if needed).</p> <p>Nancy noted that Section XI (previously X) states that the Agreement may be modified by mutual agreement of the Tribe and CA.</p> <p>Question was asked if these Agreements will include DLR. It was determined that DLR needs to be involved in this conversation.</p> <p>Daryl Toulou said the CCT had developed an Agreement specific to DLR.</p> <p>Liz noted it would be helpful to include a statement specifying that even if the State changes policy that it does not take precedence over tribal law.</p> <p>Nancy agreed and asked Liz to draft up language accordingly.</p>	<p>The group made further recommendations; the new draft is attached to the email with these meetings.</p> <p>Address whether to include DLR with these Agreements or provide option to include DLR.</p> <p>Further recommendations are welcome (send to Nancy and Betsy as noted above).</p>

<p>CA ICW Case Review Tool</p> <p>Liz Mueller</p>	<p>Liz gave a reminder the CA ICW case reviews will begin this summer. There will be a review held in each region this summer. The Case Review tool has about 28 or 29 questions that will be used in the review of CA ICW cases. The criteria were developed based on the CA ICW Manual. The teams of case reviewers will consist of ICW staff from CA, Tribes, IPSS and RAIO's who meet established criteria.</p> <p>Recruitment of case reviewers is in process; if tribes are interested in sending a staff person to participate in the case review process please contact Liz Mueller Nancy Dufraine, or Betsy Tulee. A one-day training is required to participate in a case review process; the training dates are May 10th in Spokane and May 22nd in west Seattle.</p> <p>The time committment for those who participate will consist of at least 5 work days which includes one day of training and then later four days of the actual case review process.</p> <p>CA may assist with costs associated with travel, lodging and meals as needed.</p>	<p>Contact Liz Mueller at 360-681-4628 or Betsy or Nancy (above contacts) regarding tribal participation in the CA ICW Case Review process.</p>
<p>LICWAC Training</p>	<p>Nancy informed group that the LICWC training occurred; participants gave positive response/evaluations. Participants wrote questions down on cards which have been collated and typed up. CA/IPSS/AAG's will respond to each question and send the answers out group wide.</p> <p>It is the hope of CA to deliver another LICWAC trainings, it is budget dependant.</p> <p>Janice noted that there have been requests by tribes and LICWAC's to have localized training.</p> <p>Nancy is exploring that as well.</p> <p>Shirley Aragon noted that when Region4 delivered a local LICWAC training it was free of cost.</p>	<p>Response/answers will be sent out to the questions that LICWAC training participants wrote/asked.</p>
<p>Conference Calls</p>	<p>A request was made to access a toll free number for person to use when calling in the conference calls as persons may be out of State or otherwise not have access to their office phones.</p>	<p>Betsy will explore this.</p>