



Minutes CA-JRA IPAC Subcommittee

Date: May 12th, 2010

In attendance:

Name	Tribe/Organization
Steve Kutz	Cowlitz Tribe
Liz Mueller	Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Lorraine Van Brunt	Squaxin Island Tribe
Jim Sherrill	Cowlitz Tribe
Gwen Gua	South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency
Lynette Jordan	United Indians of All Tribes
Summer Puckett	ACF, HHS
Aliza Brown	Quinault Indian Nation
Cindy Robison	NATIVE Health
Dylan Dressler	NATIVE Health
Verna Henderson	Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe
Francis Charles	Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe
Garnett Charles	Office of Indian Policy, Region 6 North
Nancy Dufraime	Children's Administration (CA) HQ
Jolene Bellows	OFM/RMD
Kathirine Horne	Shoalwater Bat Tribe
Jim Sherrill	Cowlitz Tribe
Scott Steuby	CA, HQ
Betsy Tulee	CA-HQ
Sandy Turner (phone)	CA, Region 1
Helen Zack (phone)	CA, Region 2
Don Milligan (phone)	STOWW
Francis Cacalda	Muckleshoot Tribe
Jane Jorgensen	CA, HQ

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Agenda Item	Discussion
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<p>Announcements</p>	<p>Summer Puckett: noted that they will be sponsoring a Tribal meeting on May 18th and 19th in Seattle next week. Many tribes from the Region 10 area will participate. Tribes still welcome to sign up to attend. IVB applications are due June 30th. Summer can provide technical assistance and can travel to communities to assist. She reminded folks that tribes need IVB in place in order to get IVE funds. There are nine tribes in this State that have IVB in place.</p> <p>Liz Mueller noted that she, Tom Tremaine, Nancy Dufraime and Claudia Kaufmann presented on a panel regarding ICW at the Children’s Justice Conference. She noted that Senator Kaufmann offered to facilitate discussion on the Washington State ICW Act.</p>
<p>Jim Sherrill Citizen Review Panel</p>	<p>The Citizen Review Panel (CRP) has a workgroup that flows from the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA). States receive CAPTA funding; part of the requirements for this funding is that the State has Citizen Review Panel’s commensurate with its population. Washington State is required to have three CRP’s. The CA IPAC has agreed to be a CRP. This is the second year of taking on this role. The CRP is charged with looking at issues related to child safety, most often at the front end of the ‘system’ and making recommendations for improvement. Last the year the CA IPAC CRP looked at and made recommendations regarding disproportionality, the ICW QA Case Review, and the Washington State ICW Act.</p> <p>Jim led discussion to begin setting up recommendations on areas of focus for this year’s CRP. He noted it is recommended that two or three recommendations be developed. He suggested focusing on the recommendations from the ICW Case Review. Jim noted the local Area Administrator in his area has agreed to review Intakes for her section for the last twelve months to see if the Indian inquiry questions were asked. Documentation of tribal contact should include the person that was spoken to and what their role is. If it is found that this is done at a high level of competency then move on to the next area; relative search, tribal notification, tribal engagement, effective safety plans made in conjunction with tribe(s), engagement of fathers etc. If there is need for improvement, develop a corrective action plan.</p> <p>Jim’s recommendation for CRP; in each are of CA/state have some type of review (depending on outcome of case review outcome) and include tribes in process.</p> <p>Jim also suggested we look at the Performance Based Contracting (PBC) process under 2106 legislation and recommends that we address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can tribes participate in the development; • What are the pay points/outcomes specific to ICW and tribal service delivery;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What type of penalties will there for lack of ICW compliance; • How do we ensure appropriate ICW training? <p>Jim suggested a subcommittee be set up to firm up recommendations; it was agreed that Liz, Nancy, Betsy, Colette and Jim meet on this.</p>
<p>Jolene Bellows Office of Financial Management, Risk Management</p>	<p>Jolene explained that part of her duties includes looking at liability prevention needs for the State in order to prevent bad things from happening. One of the projects she works on is RSVP (Reinforce Safety of Vulnerable Persons). The OFM and DSHS looked at cases of vulnerable persons and found many of them involved Indian children.</p> <p>Her department wants to do a root cause analysis-what can we learn and what can we improve. Root cause analysis includes looking at actions and conditions. The group noted that historical trauma needs to be factored in. It is multi-generational.</p> <p>It was also noted that this can be dovetailed into the CRP recommendations including the development of a form to help layout who is responsible for what duties when it comes to CPS investigations, risk assessment and safety planning.</p>
<p>Scott Steuby Child and Family Services Review (CFSR)</p>	<p>The CFSR is a two-phase process. The first phase is a Statewide Assessment conducted by a State child welfare agency in collaboration with the agency's external partners or stakeholders and the Children's Bureau Central and Regional Office staff. The Statewide Assessment Team completes the Statewide Assessment Instrument.</p> <p>The second phase of the review process is an onsite review, conducted by a team of Federal representatives (including consultant reviewers) and State representatives (including external partners).</p> <p>CA is currently working on the Statewide Assessment phase and is nearing completion. There have been over 50 meetings around the State with multiple groups (youth, foster parents, tribes, court personal, birth parents, relative caretakers, service providers etc). The draft should be completed by 5/17/10. It will be sent out for review by CA.</p> <p>Scott noted that they are looking for persons to participate in the onsite review process. The training will occur on August 25th and 26th and the review dates will be September 13th through the 17th in locations yet to be determined.</p> <p>50 cases will be pulled for review for compliance and quality of service delivery.</p> <p>The following persons were either recommended or volunteered for participation in the onsite review; Gwen Gua (SPIPA), Liz Mueller (Jamestown S'Klallam), Francis Cacalda (Muckleshoot), Lynette Jordan (UIATF), a Lower Elwha representative and representation from Eastern Washington tribes/RAIO's.</p>

It was recommended that Scott be given the names of persons who participated in the ICW QA Case Reviews as they are familiar with case reviews and the CA system.

Scot was asked if persons who may not participate in the onsite review can still get the training; he will look in to that.

He was also asked about payment/reimbursement for lodging for training and site reviews. He said he would look into that as well.

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