



CA IPAC Subcommittee

Date: August 13th, 2008

In attendance:

Name	Tribe/Organization
Dan Schneider	Region 4, CA
Linda Redman	CA, Region 6
Trudy Marcellay	Region 6, IPSS
Garnet Charles	Region 6, IPSS
Rebecca Peck	Samish Nation
Margo Gilmore	Hoh Tribe
Jim Straight	Samish Nation
Donna Burkhart	Region 6 ICW Program Manager
Michele Pullen	Quileute Tribe
Colleen Cawston	IPSS, HQ
Anita Iverson	DCFS/CA, Region 6
Lila Betts	DCFS/CA, Region 6
Liz Mueller	Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Tanya Pankowski	Jamestown S'Klallam
Leslye Revey	Lummi Tribe
Betsy Tulee	CA, HQ
Nancy Roberts-Brown	Catalyst for Kids (King County)
Bob Brisbois	IPSS, Region 1-(by phone)
David Simmons	NICWA (by phone)
Curtis Geathers	DCFS/CA, Region 6
Roxana Finney	CA, region 4 (by phone)
Sandra Kint	Quileute Tribe
Cheryl Miller	Skokomish Tribe
Colette McCully	CA, HQ (by phone during CRP discussion.)

Next meeting: Wednesday September 10th, 2008

Location: Skokomish Tribe
(Address will be provided prior to the meeting)

Conference Call in number: 360-407-3780 pin number 954139#

MINUTES:

Agenda Item	Discussion
Announcements	<p>The conference call in number was not working; as such agenda items regarding ETV and Peer to Peer Program and the Video Project on Indian Children in Foster Care were removed from the agenda as the presenters had planned to participate via conference call.</p> <p>Liz notified the group that the next meeting dates for the Disproportionality Commission are set for September 17th and 18th and will be held in the Seatac area. One is also set for October 22nd in Seattle at the Casey Foundation followed by meetings November 12th and December 11th.</p> <p>Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe is the first Tribe to complete their Local Agreement on the new template and have agreed to have it posted in both the CA Intranet and the Internet.</p> <p>Liz Mueller noted many actions items are going on right now; the work on disproportionality; Citizen review Panel (CRP); need to review and funnel down 7.01 plans (she noted oftentimes 7.01 plans are not funneled down to the front line staff); we need to gear up for the next QA ICW Case Review-and also need to determine where we are with this and how the Regional plans are coming along.</p> <p>Liz also noted she would like to see how the Family to Family meetings are doing in relation to ICW. She feels CA needs to understand that we do need to keep kids safe and connected with their families as per the Family to Family goals but we also need to comply with ICWA and keep kids connected to their tribes in this process as well. She feels that many of the Family to Family workers may not be familiar with the government to government relationship between tribes and the State or with ICWA. Dan Schneider noted that part of the issue may be that the F2F meeting has to happen within 72 hours of a known placement, sometimes it is difficult to get all parties on board especially with emergent placements-perhaps there is a need to build in some flexibility into the process.</p> <p>Nancy Roberts-Brown noted that the Annie E Casey who has sponsored this program/model has a person on staff who works to address issues of disproportionality-can be found on the Annie E. Casey website.</p> <p>Liz noted that if the placement is an emergent one then CA staff must fall back to ICWA and ensure ICWA compliance.</p> <p>Colleen Cawston suggested that ICW training be built into the F2F training (in fact ICW training should be built into all new models of service delivery in CA).</p> <p>Lila Betts noted that she will be conducting F2F meetings and will be going to the training soon so she can report back on the current training.</p> <p>Dan Schneider indicated that he can talk to Melissa Hansen who is the CA F2F Program Manager.</p> <p>Liz also suggested that IPSS write a letter to Cheryl Stephanie about ICW training for F2F workers, Tribal participation in the F2F trainings and including tribal participation on the Statewide F2F Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Donna stated she would look into tribal access to the F2F training.</p>

<p>Regional Disproportionately activities</p>	<p>Phase 1 of Senate House Bill 1472 on disproportionately has been completed. The report was released 6/25/08. The first copy to the tribes was delivered at the Centennial Accord. Now entering Phase 2. This consists of developing a remediation plan. It is due 12/08.</p> <p>Jody Becker Green, Assistant Secretary for Planning, Performance and Accountability (new DSHS administration) will be responsible for coordinating and developing the remediation plan.</p> <p>A Commission consisting of 15 members was created out of HB 1472. Professor Tom Crofoot of Eastern Washington University was appointed by DSHS, Toni Lodge of the Spokane Indian Center was appointed by the House and Liz Mueller of the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe was appointed by the Senate. Liz is also a Co-chair on the Commission.</p> <p>The report is on line at http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/pubs/disproportion.asp. Tribes and RAIO’s were sent a copy of the report.</p> <p>A Disproportionately Symposium was held at the UW in Seattle on June 26th and 27th. There were regional breakout groups at the Symposium that were asked to develop plans to address disproportionality.</p> <p>The goal of the Symposium was to have the Regions get together and to develop Regional breakout groups. The Regional Administrators appointed staff to facilitate these groups</p> <p>The plan is to have a meeting with all the regional breakout facilitators to report back and provide recommendations to the Commission on September 17th and 18th.</p> <p>The SHB 1472 Disproportionality Advisory Committee is ultimately in charge of developing the remediation plan in conjunction with Secretary Arnold-Williams. The Commission needs to get their report out by November 14th, 2008 and Secretary Arnold-Williams needs to submit it to the Legislators by 12/1/08.</p> <p>In Region 6 there are three different breakout groups including the Forks/Port Angelas/Port Townsend offices, the Tumwater/Kelso/Centralia/Vancouver offices and the Aberdeen/Shelton/South Bend offices. The Region 6 Peninsula area (Forks/PA/Pt. Townsend) breakout group met 8/13/08 (prior to the CA IPAC Subcommittee). The meeting included Tribal representation, IPSS and DSHS staff. Donna Burkhart gathered and distributed data on Indian disproportionality as to Indian, African American and Hispanic children. Each of the groups will develop the priorities they feel should be addressed. Donna distributed a handout with work done by these groups to date.</p> <p>Dan Schneider indicated that Region 4 is planning to deliver an Undoing Racism workshop this fall, is also working on developing a position specifically work on sending Tribal and BIA Inquiries and relative searches, is developing a cultural research center, is working with school districts to address disproportionately.</p> <p>Rebecca Peck noted that Region 3 seems to be way behind in the process.</p> <p>Liz noted tht the Undoing Racism training should be tailored to address the specific group targeted.</p> <p>Concern was raised in the group that a higher number of referrals are accepted for investigation for Indian children then for the general population.</p> <p>Dan discussed the development of a double blind study at Intake that would have a two phase process that includes first screening for the risk and then the second process would include gathering information on ethnicity, race etc.</p> <p>Colleen Cawston shared a draft of a survey that will go out to tribes; she asked if it should also go out to other tribal specific entities outside of the tribal leadership and</p>
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	<p>government structures (such as mental health agencies, law enforcement, Boys and Girls Clubs etc).</p> <p>Liz approved the survey.</p>
<p>Citizen Review Program (CRP)</p> <p>Colette McCully, CPS Program Manager, CA</p>	<p>CRP BACKGROUND: Per the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), each state is required to have Citizen Review Panels (CRP). The number of CRP's is dependant on the state's population.</p> <p>Washington State has 3 CRP's:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 2 Oversight Committee • Child, Youth and Family Services Advisory Committee • Indian Child Welfare Subcommittee to the Children's Administration Indian Advisory Council. <p>The requirements of a CRP include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee is composed of volunteer members • Meetings occur at least quarterly • Examine CPS policies and procedures, and where appropriate specific cases. • Submit an annual report and include a summary of the panel's activities, as well as the recommendations of the panel based upon its activities and findings. The report is due to the Federal government in April (if this group becomes a CRP the report would be required in 2009). <p>This CA IPAC Subcommittee/ICW group has already agreed to serve as a CRP.</p> <p>For more information on CRP's, visit the National CRP website at - http://www.uky.edu/socialwork/CRP/success.htm</p> <p>RECOMMENDATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a Washington State CRP website (Colette). • Committee consensus is that disproportionately be a main focus and that liaisons be utilized to cross communicate at all CRP's. (As such, all CRP members should be familiar with Commission Report). • The committee agreed to utilize the CA IPAC Subcommittee meetings as a venue for the CRP meetings (can start earlier if needed) and that Jim Sherrill and Liz Mueller will co-lead. Jim is involved with the Statewide CRP and Liz's involvement on the Disproportionality Commission will add great value and insight. <p>Liz indicated she would like to ensure that the CRP goals intersect with the QA plans that are developed from the ICW Case review and that focus remain on disproportionality. Each of the regions should share their QA plan with the CRP.</p>

ICW WAC Review	<p>A meeting has been scheduled to address the review of the ICW WAC's for September 5th and will be hosted by Tulalip Tribes.</p> <p>The Tribal State Agreements (concurrent and exclusive) will also be referenced in the process.</p> <p>Discrepancies and typos were found in the Tribal-State Agreements that were posted on line. Roxanne Finney located a missing page. IPSS offered to make corrections and scan the clean version so that the current versions on line can be removed and the clean ones can be posted on both the CA Intranet as well as the internet.</p> <p>It was agreed that both tribal and State participation will be welcome at the Tulalip meeting.</p>
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