



Minutes JRA/CA IPAC Subcommittee

Date: September 8, 2010

In attendance:

Name	Tribe/Organization
Lorraine Van Brunt	Squaxin Island Tribe
Daryl Toulou	OIP, Region 2
Jane Jorgensen	CA, HQ Title IVE Program Manager
Harriet Yurchak	Sauk Suiattle Tribe
Roxanne Finney	CA, Region 4 Program Manager
Robert Ludgate	Samish Tribe
Monica Reeves	JRA
Randy Roberts	DLR, HQ Program Manager
Juliette Knight	CA, IL Program Manager
Nancy Dufraigne	CA-HQ, Lead ICW Program Manager
Betsy Tulee	CA-HQ, ICW Program Manager
Trudy Marcellay	OIP Region 6 South
Lynette Jordan	United Indians of All Tribes(phone)
David Delmendo	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 13, 2010

10:00 am to 3:30 pm

DSHS/OB2

Room: TBD

1115 Washington St.

Olympia, WA. 98504

Call in Conference number: none for 10/13/10 meeting

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Agenda Item	Discussion
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<p>Announcements</p>	<p>This is the first meeting via videoconference. Phone in capability still available as well. It is suggested that meeting participants bring their own handouts to video conference meetings due to varying site locations.</p> <p>Videoconferencing locations are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 1 – Spokane (8517 E Trent Avenue, Colville Conference Room) • Region 2 – Yakima (1002 N 16 Street, CSO, Administrative Conference Room) • Region 3 – Everett (840 N Broadway, ACES Room) • Region 4 – Seattle (3600 S Graham Street, Rainer CSO) • Region 5 – Tacoma (2121 S State Street, Centennial Building 2) • Region 6 – Olympia (1115 Washington Street – OB2, Executive Conference Room) <p>The CA IPAC Subcommittee meeting scheduled for 10/13/10 will consist of a daylong work session to develop regional and a Statewide remediation plans in response to the ICW Case Review conducted in 2009. Casey Family Program has generously agreed to provide funding for transportation for participants. This will include transportation for two participants from each tribe, the RAIOS and regional CA staff. The meeting will begin at 9:30 to support day travel. There will be lodging available for those who require it. (Carpooling is encouraged as a cost savings measure.) A Save the Date notice will be sent at least three weeks prior to the meeting and an agenda will be sent at least one week prior to the meeting.</p>
<p>DLR WAC Review</p> <p>Randy Roberts</p>	<p>Randy Roberts, Quality Assurance Program Manager from DLR, to share information and request tribal participation on DLR WAC review and revisions. He would like to partner with tribes and Indian organizations to identify barriers to licensing Native families.</p> <p>He shared a PowerPoint presentation on licensing WAC's that DLR is tasked with revising. A committee is being formed and Randy is requesting tribal/RAIO participation. The initial step will be to etch out draft revisions then move the project out to Regions. Tribal participation will still be welcome at that stage and child welfare staff will also be brought on board. Other participants may include foster parents and providers. The plan is to have the initial meeting in November and then a couple of more meetings before the end of the year. Then it will be brought out to Regions by the January 2011 with targeted completion date May 2011. David Delmendo of Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe will delegate staff to participate and offer guidance as to what really matters-'what really matters is to license families that care about kids'.</p> <p>It was noted that much of the barriers in licensing Indian and other minority families are criminal history/background checks. Randy said he will send out the Secretary's list of disqualifiers including the five year disqualifier and the permanent disqualifier lists. Please see PowerPoint presentation attached to this email for full discussion as to DLR WAC revisions. It is also available upon request.</p>
<p>JRA Updates</p> <p>Monica Reeves</p>	<p>Due to the proposed 7% state budget cut this fiscal year, and estimated 10% state budget cut in the next biennium, a portion of the CJAA funds set aside for tribal contracts is being identified as a potential cut. The funds being identified are the 'unobligated' funds and do NOT affect current CJAA contracts. This reduction could impact future contracts, depending on the number of applications approved.</p>

	<p>The Tribal CJAA Workgroup will be meeting September 20th for their 2nd meeting. This workgroup is established to examine how to further evolve the Tribal CJAA contracts toward evidence-based programs and promising practices. Specifically we are looking at programs that can demonstrate an impact to recidivism with juvenile court involved youth. The outcome of this workgroup could impact programs currently using the tribal CJAA funds, as we will be requiring a new application method and requiring data and outcome measures to support the use of the funds.</p>
<p>Tribal Access to FamLink</p> <p>Nancy Dufraime And Juliette Knight</p>	<p>Nancy has gotten the various pieces in place to move forward with agreements for tribal access to FamLink. FamLink is the data base for case management information on child and families served by CA. Tribes who enter into the tribal access agreement will be able to access case information on children and families served by CA who are members of their tribes or other Indian children under the jurisdiction of that given tribe. The contracts have been sent out to tribal chairs and social services departments. Three forms have also been sent out to tribes including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAW Access to FamLink This creates an id for each user. This is required for all persons accessing state data systems. • Non-CA Employee FamLink Data Access Request This form must be filled out for all CA and non-CA users. • Tribal User Agreement Although this form is identified as a Tribal user Agreement, other non-CA users will be required to sign a similar agreement. This agreement will be signed annually. <p>Thus far, we have received 12 Agreements back from tribes. 28 have indicated they will participate. CA is requesting that other tribes that are interested in FamLink access submit theirs as well. Please contact Nancy Dufraime at 360-902-7578 or email nancy.dufraime@dshs.wa.gov if you have any questions or concerns about the process.</p> <p>Juliette informed participants that federal regulations now state that any contracted provider with IL/Chaffee funds will be required to input data into the state data systems. She provided following updates.</p> <p>NYTD</p> <p>Beginning October of last year Tribes have been informed of the new federal reporting requirement which takes effect October 1, 2010 for the IL program. The National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) requires states to gather information from youth about the IL services they received. The information will be collected when youth turn 17, again at age 19, and when they reach age 21. The survey must be complete within 45 days of the youth's birthday. Survey results will be shared with all our partners and be sent to the federal government for inclusion in the NYTD.</p> <p>If we do not complete these surveys the state will be assessed monetary penalties which will be taken from the Chafee IL federal grant. This means there will be less money for youth to help them as they transition to adulthood.</p> <p>Why does it matter?</p>

Data collected will provide Children’s with more accurate information about what happens to foster youth after they leave care. And having this information may lead to:

- Improved services for youth
- Reduced homelessness for youth
- Enhanced educational and career success for youth
- More productive lives as adults
- Most importantly – it gives youth the opportunity to share their opinion and be heard!

Training

In July Tribes were issued a letter of solicitation which again identified the necessary changes Children’s has had to make to the terms and conditions of the IL contract in order to meet the federal reporting requirements. As part of these changes a request was made in this letter for staff to be identified for access to FamLink – the statewide system Children’s will use to gather the information required by the federal government.

A Save the Date email was sent August 24th which identified training dates for Tribal staff who manage the IL program. There is a handout available which shows the region and date these trainings will happen. If tribal staff will not be available please contact me ASAP so we can work out alternate training arrangements.

National Youth in Transition (NYTD)/FamLink Training Rollout Dates are:
10:30 to 4:00pm

Date	Location
September 28th	Conference Room B (4th Floor) Spokane DCFS Office
September 29 or 30	To be determined
September 22 and/or 23	Pine Room Training Academy 4045 Delridge Way SW Seattle
September 24th	Nisqually Room Tumwater Office 6860 Capital Blvd, Bldg 2 Tumwater

IL Contracts

- Independent Living Program contracts were issued for signature to non-consolidated Tribes August 31st – these went out by hard mail to Tribal chairs and by email to IL program staff as an alert. In order to get the contract fully executed so Tribes can begin accessing funds the following need to be in place
 - An original ink signature contract must be returned to CA – to expedite the face page can be faxed and the original sent by mail; and
 - A budget which itemizes the allocated funds (this year’s budget is \$13,330.42) – this is required with the first invoice/quarterly report. I would

	<p>like to work with Tribes to have this submitted at the start of the year; this will avoid confusion and prevent expenditure of funds which are not permissible by the IL grant, thanks.</p>
2106 Updates	<p>This discussion is tabled until later. A request will be made to for a full report out at the IPAC meeting scheduled for October 14, 2010.</p>