

MEETING MINUTES

Act 264 Advisory Board/Children’s SPSC Joint Meeting

May 27, 2022

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Act 264 Advisory Board Meeting (9:30 – 11:00)		
Members present: Laurie Mulhearn, Alice Maynard, Heather Freeman, Doug Norford, Cinn Smith,		
Guests: Joanne Crawford, Stephen DeVoe, Phil LaPlante, Eva Dayon, Steven Berbeco		
Agenda Items	Discussion Points	Decisions/Actions
Review of 2022 Local Interagency Team Survey	The group reviewed and made changes to the survey questions.	
Letter to accompany the 2022 Local Interagency Team Survey	Steve had written a draft letter to accompany the Local Interagency Team Survey and the group spent some time reviewing and making changes to the letter. The survey will be due mid-July.	
Act 264 Board Recruitment materials update	Laurie will send the recruitment materials out to the group to review. A suggestion was made that the group ask the Local Interagency Teams (LITs) to ask one family that might be interested in being a part of this group. Perhaps the designated agencies (DAs) would post a flyer in their office. If there is a lot of interest in joining, will we be selecting members based on their region?	Laurie will email the recruitment flyer to the group to review.
Funding for LIT Parent Representatives	One of the group members brought up the question about whether or not there are funds remaining to cover the LIT Parent Representatives. The group will ask Cheryle when she is giving her update during the joint meeting.	
Break (11:00 – 11:15)		
Joint Act 264 Advisory Board and State Program Standing Committee Meeting (11:00 – 12:15)		
Members present: Laurie Mulhearn, Alice Maynard, Doug Norford, Cinn Smith, Heather Freeman		
Guests: Joanne Crawford, Stephen DeVoe, Phil LaPlante, Cheryle Wilcox, Leslie Johnson, Maggie Zraly,		
Agenda Items	Discussion Points	Decisions/Actions

<p>IFS Update: Cheryle Wilcox</p>	<p>Cheryle emailed the State Interagency Team (SIT) minutes with the group. There are some resources listed at the top of the minutes to help people in response to the school shooting in Texas.</p> <p>The legislature has approved \$4 million for facility improvements. A group is currently reviewing the applications.</p> <p>There is Increase in children and youth with eating disorders but not a lot of support. The Department of Mental Health (DMH) and Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) had a training on Monday for Disordered Eating in Adolescents. Over 300 attendees.</p> <p>SIT and the Act 264 Board will be hosting two 90-minute calls in June to solicit feedback from Local Interagency Team members about how we should be supporting LIT parent reps.</p> <p>There is an Autism workgroup that does autism assessments but there is a really long list of children waiting for assessments. The group is working to figure out how to get information to parents and let them know what they can do while their child is waiting for an assessment. There was a question about whether or not the Puppets in Education have a program around autism. Cheryle found some information on the Puppets in Education and shared a link with the group.</p> <p>The LIT visits are continuing. There is pressure before school lets out for the summer to make sure kids have support for the summer. LIT Connections meeting still happening monthly.</p> <p>The legislature provided an 8% increase to the Medicaid budget. Some designated agencies (DAs) have increased their salaries to encourage employment. Tuition assistance to encourage folks to get into the mental health fields.</p>	<p>Cheryle will check to see if the Disordered Eating training was recorded and if so, will send it to the group.</p> <p>Puppets in Education link https://www.vermontfamilynetwork.org/puppets-in-education/</p>
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Review March and April meeting minutes	Alice moved to accept the March meeting minutes as amended. Laurie seconded. Vote to accept was unanimous. Laurie moved to accept the April meeting minutes and Alice seconded. Vote to accept was unanimous.	
Public Comment	No public comment.	
Agenda Planning	<p>The group needs to finish the priority recommendations by November. The group would like to meet with the following agencies/departments/organizations over the next few months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Child and Families Deputy Commissioner • Agency of Education Secretary or Deputy Secretary • Agency of Human Services Secretary and Deputy Secretary • Department of Mental Health Commissioner • Director of Mental Health Programs at Vermont State Police headquarters (Mourning Fox) • Vermont Department of Health Alcohol and Drug Programs Deputy Commissioner • Vermont Chief of Police Association representative (President Tim Page) • Police Academy Training Coordinator <p>The group will look at the letters sent out the commissioners/secretaries/representatives from previous years and modify them for this year. The group will look out the letter before the next meeting and then finalize at the June Meeting. If the commissioner/secretary/representative is not able to join the group meetings, a couple folks from the group can go and meet with the commissioner/secretary/representative in their office.</p>	The group will review the previous year letters and modify them for this year.
BREAK (12:15 – 12:30)		
State Program Standing Committee (12:30 – 2:00)		
Members present: Laurie Mulhearn, Cinn Smith		
Guests: Joanne Crawford, Stephen DeVoe, Phil LaPlante, Eva Dayon		
Agenda Items	Discussion Points	Decisions/Actions
Recruitment Updates	Laurie will send the recruitment flyer out for the group to review.	Laurie will send the flyer out for the group to review.
NKHS Designation Review	The group worked on questions for the NKHS designation review. Eva provided an overview of redesignation review process for the group.	

<p>Agenda Planning for NKHS Visit Review NKHS Designation materials and form questions for agency visit on June 24, 2022</p>	<p>At the start of the June meeting, the group will decide who will be asking each question.</p>	<p>Steve will add in a few minutes in next month's agenda for the group to figure out who will be asking each of the questions for the NKHS redesignation meeting.</p>
<p>Aggregate grievance and appeals data</p>	<p>This item was tabled until next month.</p>	
	<p>Meeting ended at 1:50.</p>	