

## MEETING MINUTES

### ACT 264 Advisory Board/Children’s SPSC Joint Meeting

Held via Microsoft Teams

2/26/2021

**MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:** Joanne Crawford

<u>Agenda Items</u>	<u>Discussion Points</u>	<u>Decisions/Actions</u>
<b>Joint ACT 264 Advisory Board &amp; State Program Standing Committee Meeting (10:00-12:00)</b>		
<b>Attending: Matt Wolf, Cinn Smith, Doug Norford, Kris Holsman-Francoeur, Alice Maynard, Teresa Sunderland, Ron Bos-Lun, Laurie Mulhern</b>		
<b>Guests: Sandi Yadow - VFFCMH, Cheryle Wilcox – DMH, Diane Bugbee – DAIL, Alison Krompf – DMH, Christina Thompson - DMH, Joanne Crawford – DMH</b>		
Review January Meeting Minutes	1. Alice moved to accept the Joint Act 264 Advisory Board State Programming Standing Committee (SPSC) minutes and the Act 264 Advisory Board minutes; Cinn seconded. The motion passed.	
Group Structure – Christina Thompson	1. Christina asked if the group would like to start the joint meeting at 9:30am instead of 10am, since most Act 264 agenda items overlap with the SPSC, except when the Standing Committee needs to do designation work. The group decided to keep the format as it is now.	
Mental Health First Support and Overview of Woodside – Ron Bos-Lun	1. Ron asked for an overview of what is happening with Woodside. Cheryle explained that the replacement building for Middlesex has been approved. There is a lot of discussion in the legislature about a locked facility and what it would look like. 2. Ron also asked about the Mental Health First Support Group in Burlington/CAHOOTS. Cheryle will send the group information on the support group.	Cheryle will send information to the group on the Mental Health First Support Group.
IFS Update – Cheryle Wilcox and Diane Bugbee	1. SIT is in the process of setting up three more Local Interagency Team (LIT) Connection meetings. The LIT Connections allow LIT colleagues to meet and discuss issues. 2. Mobile response was not supported in the House Health Care Committee. More discussion is happening about it in the Senate. 3. There was a recommendation to use one-time COVID funds for Mental Health issues such as housing, equity, designated agencies (DAs) and SSAs for hiring and structural needs. 4. Testimony was presented yesterday for a Youth Council that would meet annually with the Governor to share needs of Vermont’s youth and adolescents. 5. The Department of Mental Health (DMH) has hired a Policy Director, Shayla Livingston who will start March 15th. 6. DMH has also hired an Assistant Director of Quality, Nicole DiStasio to start March 15th. 7. The Director of Trauma and Resilience position is moving to DMH from the AHS Secretary’s Office. 8. Monica Hutt has left her position of Department of Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) Commissioner and has accepted a position in the Governor’s Office. 9. Doug said that there has been concern about the IFBS model chosen, which led to the Department of Children and Families (DCF) holding off on an RFP. Doug expressed concern about how decisions are being made. He is hoping IFS voices will be heard in the decision on a model. Cheryle said she is involved in the conversation.	Cheryle will send an overview document to the group regarding Mobile Response.

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Finalize Parent Rep Survey Questions	1. The group worked to finalize the questions for the three potential Parent Representative Surveys. The results will be discussed at the May meeting.	The final surveys will be sent to Christina to be distributed.
DMH Update – Alison Krompf	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Success Beyond Six – State used payment reform example to help schools and agencies. Working to create a more permanent format. Have collected data on kids receiving these services through the Behavioral Interventionist Report. CANS is providing a well-rounded picture of what is happening with kids and great data to enable us to help children.</li> <li>2. NKHS is working on their Corrective Action Plan (CAP). DMH is optimistic about what is happening at NKHS. There is another meeting in March to review progress on their CAP.</li> <li>3. LGBTQ+ youth are at higher risk during COVID. DMH has partnered with Outright VT to get virtual trainings out to providers focusing on identifying risk factors and supporting LGBTQ+ identifying youth and young adults.</li> </ol>	
Public Comment	1. There was no public comment.	
	<b>Future Agenda Items</b>	
	1. Invite Sandi Yandow and Pam McCarthy back in March to discuss what will be done with Parent Rep. survey results.	
	2. Meet the new DMH Policy Director and Assistant Director of Quality in April.	
	3. Alison Krompf will give another DMH update in March.	