

# DATA TEST/HIGH PERFORMANCE

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August 26,2022 at 9:30am – 12:00 am

## Minutes

### I. Attendance/Roll Call - completed

**Present:** Angela Hassell, Mary Ann Berg, Neil Jordan, Mitchell Sandy, Melissa Webster, Wendi Wilkins, Linda Karfs, Sherice Ewing, Ronald Howard, Jennifer Prior, Analiz Castillo, Anthony Yaghmour & Patricia Garibaldi

### II. Approval of Previous Minutes

Approved as written

### III. Department Updates

ILO/TLP/Residential transitioned under Permanency August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Suzanne Isenberg-Chhabra is the new Deputy of Permanency, reporting to Tim Snowden. There is no anticipation for changes in monitoring with this transition. Leadership is working on bringing in a new Deputy for Clinical.

There has been some restructuring and reassignment of responsibilities in Clinical Placement Administration. There are staff now assigned to each region, and agencies should reach out to Clinical Placement Administration staff based on their region. Some providers are already aware of the staff for their region.

Permanency has been focusing on youth that are beyond their readiness date and beyond 9 months. Providers should anticipate a renewed sense of urgency around this population.

The Department is working on a Meta Model that would include the Monitoring Redesign. Metal model includes multiple work plan that the Department is developing, and all those plans are put together to develop a Meta model. The goal of the Metal model is to reduce permanency and maltreatment. Additional information would be shared when available.

### IV. Initiatives

#### a. Family First

**i. Independent Assessment / Reassessment / Clinical**

There seems to be some confusion around Independent Assessors' participation in CFTM. Independent Assessors do not need to attend every CFTM. Their role is towards approving or disapproving admissions or placement. It was suggested that a refresher or a new Tip Sheet around the Independent Assessors' role would be useful. There is also a need to recirculate the Tip Sheet regarding the process for initial denial and reassessment.

A question regarding payment to provider if a youth is denied was referenced. It was clarified that there has not been a change to billing or payment, and any changes will be shared with providers. When a youth is denied, the expectation is for a transition to take place within 30 days of that denial.

There are individual planning meetings with all divisions across the system, identifying challenges/barriers, necessary areas of collaboration, and wins.

**ii. Transition Plan and After-Care Services**

There is a challenge with collaborating with transition planning and after-care services. When there are challenges/barriers it is mostly because there are key people missing at the table, such as Youth Care. Other challenges shared by providers were:

- Older youth – aging out and not wanting aftercare services
- Driving distance from agency to where youth has transitioned
- Stepping down from QRTP to a Group Home – different environment/program

Another area that could use some improvement is around the expectation for providers to continue to assess the stability of youth and provide necessary services as youth transition.

**iii. Director's Waiver** Tabled for next agenda.

**iv. Summit (11/1/2022)**

The Department will facilitate an initial summit, bringing those in a decision-making role between our sister agencies and POS partners to have discussions around implementation of Family First on a wider scale. A save the date went out the week of August 15<sup>th</sup>. The summit is by invitation only, and some providers and partners confirmed receipt of the save the date.

## **b. IL Outcomes / RTOS Transition**

There may be some duplication with the CSR and the Therapeutic Residential Clinical Progress Report. The CSR's focus is for data points where we are not able to extract from any document uploaded in REDCap. The Therapeutic Residential Clinical Progress Report is intended to provide clinical narrative for internal and external stakeholders. The Therapeutic Residential Clinical Progress Report would provide the narrative around how a youth is doing and does not allow information for data to be extracted. The team is reviewing all the forms to identify duplication and determine if that information is necessary. The CTP is under revision, and the intent is for this to be the document to be used once a youth has stepped down. IM+CANS does not need to be uploaded in REDCap, it can be shared as needed.

There are some challenges relate to printing features. Current version of REDCap has limited functionality however, the updated versions would have more flexibility to allow custom printing.

## **V. Provider Issues/Concerns**

No issues/concerns

## **VI. Runaway Presentation: Part II – Northwestern Team**

Patricia Garibaldi & Analiz Castillo with Northwestern presented on Run Behavior in Congregate Care. The presentation outline focused on:

- The relevant literature on run behavior and summarized findings/next steps from runaway Interruption Rates (May meeting)
- Investigate run threats/attempts and how SER data can unpack this issue
- Review SER data regarding run threats/attempts for youth in congregate care

**\*\*Recording of presentation available\*\***

**Next Meeting: September 23, 2022 (WebEx)**