# Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) Committee Minutes

**Date:** January 16, 2020

**Location:** HOA Conference Room A

333 W. Santa Ana Blvd, Santa Ana, CA 92701

#### **Committee Members/Alternates Attendees:**

Debra Baetz, Anne Bloxom, Lisa Burke, Veronica Carpenter, Karen Christensen, Betsy DeGarmoe, Mary Izadi, Debra Kegel, Tracy LeSage, Stefanie Marangi, David Nunez, Bryan Prieto, Denise Schleicher, Gary Taylor, Jr., John Zeimantz

Non-Committee Attendees: Marcy Garfias, Raina Lee, An Tran

1. Introductions / Announcements

Self-introductions were made.

- 2. Action Item: Approval of Minutes
  - a. Meeting minutes from November 21, 2019 were approved
- 3. OC Healthier Together Presentation Genesis Sandoval Genesis provided a demonstration and overview of the Orange County's Healthier Together website and children's dashboards.

Orange County's Healthier Together is a community-wide initiative that aligns public and private resources within the public health system to improve health for all communities in Orange County. This initiative is led by the Health Improvement Partnership (HIP). <a href="www.ochealthiertogether.org">www.ochealthiertogether.org</a> platform features the <a href="OC">OC</a>
<a href="Dashboard">Dashboard</a> with more than 200 indicators related to health. The website, launched in 2014, is a place to share our progress and track outcomes related to the <a href="Orange County Health Improvement Plan">Orange County Health Improvement Plan</a>. Today almost 40 organizations are represented on the Health Improvement Partnership and membership continues to grow. This website is a tool to share information on: Orange County Health Improvement Plan, Community Health Data, Health Improvement Partnership activities, Resources and Promising Practices.</a>

Prior to further discussion regarding utilizing the OC Healthier Together platform, the OCCP Committee suggested a crosswalk, comparing data from the Conditions of Children Report and OC Healthier Together. Lisa Burke to take lead with mapping data.

4. Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) Offsite Meeting — Debra Baetz Debra briefly discussed the purpose of the OCCP's offsite meeting scheduled January 29. Debra reminded the committee of the Orange County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council's (OCCJCC) framework for mapping out our system of care and the future of OCCP. The OCCP Committee had agreed to follow the framework and identified the following areas of interest: Health and well-being, intervention and

prevention, protection. As a collective group, OCCP Committee will strategize a comprehensive approach for OCCP Committee's strategic goals by creating a vision, identifying key challenges and gaps, and developing a strategic plan.

## 5. 2019 OCCP Areas of Focus/Goal

## a) Legislative Updates – Debra Baetz

Debra provided the group with an overview of AB 2083 - The goal of AB 2083 is to better serve youth who have experienced severe trauma, by ensuring that services available to them are coordinated, trauma-informed and timely. This bill requires county agencies, as well as county offices of education and regional centers, to enter in to MOUs to jointly serve youth with needs that span across the systems and facilitate information sharing.

Additionally, this bill requires the state to establish a state-level joint interagency resolution team comprised of representatives from the State Department of Social Services, the State Department of Health Care Services, the State Department of Developmental Services, and the State Department of Education. This team is required to provide technical assistance to county agencies establishing MOUs; address cross-program policy inconsistencies; ensuring a process is in place to provide cross-departmental assistance when needed in individual cases; and, with stakeholder consultation, submit recommendations to the Legislature addressing any identified gaps in placement types or availability, needed services to resource families, or other identified issues.

# b) Secured Facility Committee Updates – Anne Bloxom

The OCCP Ad Hoc Committee continues site visits and are exploring other models available for highest needs youth. Ad Hoc Committee is seeking alternatives to STRTP or youth with the highest level needs. Ad Hoc Committee is making every effort in understanding all models available and are seeking funding options for required modifications.

## c) Foster Youth Resources – All

No updates. Presentation to be conducted by "Know Before You Go." Tentatively scheduled for March 2020, pending administrative contact.

# 6. General Committee Member Comments

None

#### **Public Comments**

Guest speaker Michelle Murphy from the Orange County United Way announced that the organization is a recipient of state and federal funding. In partnership with the United Ways of California, funding will be used to help build out and support a new statewide, web-based portal designed specifically to meet the needs of kinship/foster care providers and caregivers. United Way will be hosting information gathering meetings to discuss resources available in Orange County for kinship/foster care service providers, advocates and those in the community involved in this work. This resource information will be made available on a statewide multi-platform website portal. The website is due to launch in 2020. There is a Kinship Website Listening session scheduled for February 24, 2020.

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is February 20, 2020, 9:00 a.m. at Hall of Administration

Minutes taken by Esther Marquez