



CCR State/County Implementation Team
Meeting Notes
 August 18, 2016

Purpose: Monthly meeting of County Behavioral Health Directors Association (CBHDA), California Department of Social Services (CDSS), County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA), Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC), County State Association of Counties (CSAC), and Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) County Representatives to identify and address cross discipline policy issues related to the implementation of CCR.

AGENDA ITEM	Notes/Discussions
I. Welcome, Agenda, and Introductions	
II. Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim licensing standards (ILS) for Foster Family Agencies (FFA) are out for stakeholder review with Short-term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) ILS to follow. • All County Letter (ACL) regarding AB 403 Group Home Extension Request to Continue Placements and Current Rate Classification (RCL) was released August 19, 2016. • CDSS is currently working to update the Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS) to implement the new Child Welfare Services (CWS) rates. • The CCR Regional Ideas & Transformation Exchange (RITE) Convenings have been scheduled as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CCR RITE Bay Area, on August 19, 2016. 2. CCR RITE Los Angeles on August 31, 2016. 3. CCR RITE Central, on September 23, 2016. 4. CCR RITE Southern, on October 11, 2016. <p>Representatives from local CWS, CBHDA, CPOC, DHCS, and California Department of Education (CDE) are invited to attend the RITEs. CPOC recommended that the Judicial</p>

AGENDA ITEM	Notes/Discussions
<p>III. Integration of Education in CCR Implementation Sara Rogers</p>	<p>Council be present at the meeting and an agreement was made to invite them. Please contact Theresa.Thurmond@dss.ca.gov to provide recommended contacts for the RITE Convenings.</p> <p>CDSS will be providing regional meetings for FFA and Group Home to specifically address questions in conjunction with the release of the Interim Licensing Standards (ILS).</p> <p>The ACL regarding Child and Family Team (CFT) has been released for stakeholder review focusing on feedback from Probation particularly youth who are eligible for IV-E and have placement orders.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the fundamental role and services of education particularly how the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) system interplays with CWS and the Mental Health systems and the incorporation into CCR. It is important to identify the needs that foster youth have specific to education and the funding sources for services. The following are issues to be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for the education of youth in out of home placement (GH) sun-setting of the RCL rates on January 1, 2017. • Authority to disburse funding and whether it will be in budget trailer language or if statutory change should be determined. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Transition Year: SELPA will need to figure out how to use funds. ○ Determine an alternative methodology and account for the transition period. ○ Ensure that the regulatory change in California does not undermine federal requirements. <p>Funding should be identified early for children in RCL level settings. There are funding sources in AB 8602 to acknowledge foster youth placed in residential settings. It was suggested that DHCS, CBHDA, CWDA, and CDSS discuss this and how to integrate the education piece in planning. Other things to consider are where the youth are located geographically, how that relates to stability and how the funding is delivered to reflect the distribution statewide.</p> <p>Next Steps: CDSS has committed to forming a small sub-workgroup. Interested persons should email Theresa.Thurmond@dss.ca.gov.</p>

AGENDA ITEM	Notes/Discussions
	<p>There was also discussion regarding who from education should attend the CFT and the issues related to participation barriers: scheduling challenges, geographic issues, and conflict of interest. There was a question regarding the role and requirements of the CDE in the CFT. CDE would like assurance that the discussion at the CFT would not impact the Individualized Educational Program (IEP) (providing a distinction between the CFT and the IEP). However, the CFT might be helpful to inform the IEP.</p> <p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include education partners in feedback for ACL regarding CFT. • Add education to Implementation Guide. • Participate in SELPA workgroup.
<p>IV. Program/Medi-Cal Certification Karen Baylor</p>	<p>DHCS is combining the Mental Health Approval Process and the Medi-Cal Certification Process. The protocol is scheduled to be released early September for stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Medi-Cal certification will continue to be approved triennially.</p> <p>A question was asked about the appeal process if a provider appeals the county's decision regarding program approval or certification. DHCS will review its current appeals process to determine if it applies to appeals regarding program approval. DHCS confirmed that if the county terminates a contract with a provider, there must be a written notice sent to the beneficiary to transition care.</p>
<p>V. Topics for Future Meetings Sara Rogers</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Education—to follow up from discussion today. b. Needs and Services for Children and Youth <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. CCR speaks to having discussions to work on collaborative issues to identify needs and services for children and youth. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are some training content that can be raised and discussed at the CCR RITE convenings. • Funding for providers to assist with service planning in the county or region. • Leveraging resources and thinking collaboratively and broadly about how to provide services. • DHCS is working on providing information and technical assistance to address

AGENDA ITEM	Notes/Discussions
	<p>the issue of “disallowances”. There is an issue with providers not having enough documentation to qualify for payment. There is an enhanced monitoring tool that is being shared with CBHDA regarding this and a request to include this discussion on the calls that involve the county so that they receive the message.</p> <p>c. Managed Care and Fee for Service.</p> <p>d. Messaging CCR</p>
<p>VI. Next Step Theresa Thurmond</p>	<p>Next Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting: September 22, 2016, 3:00-5:00 p.m. • December Meeting: December 8, 2016, 1:00-3:00 p.m. with conference call capability.