



**Children's Mental Health Plan
Steering Committee - Meeting #5**

Thursday, August 19, 2021
2:30p – 4:00p

Minutes

Attendees by Zoom: Regina Crider (Treatment Co-Chair), Andrea Durbin (Social Determinants of Health Co-Chair), Julie Hamos (System Expert), Gudelia Lopez (WSS Consultant), Niya Kelly (Social Determinants of Health Co-Chair), Julianna McHale (ICMHP Program Coordinator), Kathy Swafford (Promotion and Prevention Co-Chair), Sameer Vohra (ICMHP Interim Chair), Amanda Walsh (ICMHP Director), John Walkup (Treatment Co-Chair), Carol White (WSS Consultant), Marlita White (Promotion and Prevention Co-Chair), Kuliva Wilburn (WSS Consultant)

I. Planning Process and Timeline

Kuliva discussed the broad outreach strategy for community engagement and preliminary engagement within the workgroups. She also went over the Plan draft development timeline. Julie asked about facilitation within the workgroup meetings. Kuliva said we will have two-hour meetings that will include breakout groups to pair experts together to discuss 1-2 recommendations based on their expertise. The tools used during these meetings will include distinct forms focused on recommendations and action steps. There will be a standardized process that facilitators will follow. Before meeting with the workgroups, the co-chairs will meet to go over the tools and the workgroup meeting processes.

II. Community and Workgroup Engagement

A big driver to ask for more time with the Plan development process was community input at the start of the process, in addition to at the end. Kuliva reviewed the current community input plan, which will occur prior to the first workgroup meetings. There will be four community webinars, two for youth and family and two for providers and educators. We will incorporate sign language and language interpreters in the webinars to allow for greater participation by diverse voices. Marlita asked for clarification about solicitation for workgroup input versus community webinars, as well as how we will re-engage public members who participate at the beginning. Kuliva answered that the webinars will be broadly disseminated with a registration process. If folks register, we can make sure those same participants are re-invited once the draft Plan is ready. Before we finalize the Plan, we

will also reopen it up to the community again. Amanda added that we hope we can lean on workgroup members to help disseminate information and reach their networks within the communities they interact with.

III. **Planning Frameworks and Tools**

Kuliva discussed the draft DEI, trauma-informed, and systems change framework tools that will be used for the workgroup process. The comments from today's meeting will be incorporated in the draft template before finalization for the workgroup meetings.

- **“DEI, trauma-informed, and systems change framework” template comments –** After reviewing the template, the group discussed minor edits to the forms. Andi suggested that responses “no” and “yes” may not be applicable for all questions and John suggested that we reword a couple questions to better match the answer options. The group also discussed the need to clarify any terms and to make the language as inclusive as possible (ie. Amanda highlighted not using the term ‘patient’ to describe youth and family with lived experiences). The group also discussed the need to define terms like “environmental supports.”

IV. **Next Steps**

The group discussed the need to balance the aspiration we want to achieve with the practical realities of the system. We hope this will be clearer with the active participation of the state agencies. We also plan to convene a legislative advisory group who will be able to identify opportunities and recommendations from the plan that need legislative changes. It will also be important for workgroup members to promote the Plan and recommendations once it is complete. Kuliva said we will reconvene on August 25 with updates on the frameworks and begin discussing the evaluation framework template.