

Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment
Minutes: 4Q2019 Advisory Board Meeting
Thursday, November 14, 2019
AmericInn, Chamberlain, South Dakota

ATTENDEES

Sen. Deb Soholt – Chair	Haifa AbouSamra, USD
Shana Cerny, Advocate	Sharon Chontos, Sage/CPCM
Daniele Dosch, FBI	Dr. Nancy Free, Child’s Voice
Brent Gromer, ICAC	Krista Herren-Graber, SDNAFVSA
Mary Beth Holzwarth, Advocate	Wendy Kloepfner, State’s Attorney
Kristi Kranz, CPCM	Kathy LaPlante, USD
Ann Larsen, SD DOE	Angela Lisburg, Avera St. Mary’s CAC
Jolene Loetscher, Advocate	Tatewin Means, Oglala Sioux Tribe
Cassie Nagel, CPCM	Teresa Nieto, Advocate
Tifanie Petro, CHS	Carrie Sanderson, CPCM Director
Michelle Seten, Advocate	Colleen Winter, SD DOH
Terry Friend, Advocate	

Present via video conference:

Jill Thorngren, SDSU

Not in attendance:

Sen. Alan Solano – Vice Chair	Sara Kelley, UJS
Cameron Corey, SD DCI	Jay Perry, SD BOR
Barry Hillestad, Law Enforcement	Virgena Wieseler, SD DSS
Ashley Termansen, Advocate	

Guests: Ashley Dwyer (SD Network Staff) and Donna (SD Network Intern)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Welcome. Chair Deb Soholt called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM CT. Board members present introduced themselves and provided their individual background in child maltreatment and CPCM involvement.

Meeting minutes from the August 22, 2019 meeting were previously sent via email for review. Minutes were re-sent during the meeting for further review prior to approval.

ANNUAL REPORT AND UPDATES

Department of Education: Ann Larsen, Division Director for Educational Services and Support with the SD DOE, provided an update from the most recent PK12-YSO

workgroup meeting. Workgroup members discussed trauma screening in schools and gathered input from multiple stakeholders. An important recommendation from the workgroup was that mandatory reporter training not be required for continued teacher licensure. Sen. Soholt provided background information regarding the infrastructure needed to legislatively tie teacher licensure to mandatory reporter training. Sen. Soholt reiterated the need for a two-pronged approach to provide information to educators: 1) embed information in higher education and 2) provide opportunities for continued education. Sharon Chontos provided a backdrop to the research and recommendations on screening for trauma within an educational setting. Action items from the PK12-YSO workgroup include the development of a training video for school staff and a recommendation for a trauma screening tool. Larsen concluded her report by commenting on the collaborative efforts from the Governor's Office regarding mental health screening in schools and potential future meetings with stakeholders. For further details regarding the PK12-YSO workgroup, please visit the CPCM website at www.sdcpcm.com.

Larsen also reported the Department of Education, within the Project Aware grant, was holding the first meeting today for advisory stakeholders. Tifanie Petro attended the meeting as a representative from CPCM. The first Annual Report including data from project pilots, will be available by the end of December.

Department of Health: Colleen Winter, Division Director for the Division of Family and Community Health for the SD DOH, reported on the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) and the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS) survey results. BRFSS is the nation's premier system of health-related telephone surveys that collect state data about U.S. residents regarding their health related risk behaviors, chronic health conditions, and use of preventative services. The BRFSS is administered annually and the Department of Health is waiting for final reports from the 2019 BRFSS survey. Results will be provided to CPCM staff for distribution once received. ACE specific questions were not included in the 2019 BRFSS; however, they will be included in the 2020 BRFSS.

Winter reported that YRBSS school participation appears to have increased for 2019. The YRBSS monitors six categories of health-related behaviors that contribute to the leading causes of death and disability among youth and adults. The YRBSS is conducted every two years and a random sample of schools across South Dakota, including tribal schools, are asked to participate. In 2017, many schools opted not to administer the YRBSS and the survey did not collect enough data to be statistically sound. An increase in school participation with the YRBSS will allow South Dakota to statistically compare data sets of information. Winter reported on the YRBSS questions relating to trauma/ACEs. The data can be cross tabulated with additional data regarding issues such as suicidal ideation and suicide attempts. Teresa Nieto

inquired about the tribal schools included in the sample and Winter offered to put Nieto in contact with the administrator of the survey for those details.

Department of Social Services, Child Protective Services: Director Sanderson provided a report on behalf of Virgena Wieseler, Division Director of Child Protective Service for the SD DSS, who was unable to attend the meeting. CPS continues to work through the impact of drugs on SD families and children, particularly the meth epidemic. CPS is actively implementing Family First recommendations throughout the state, including collective efforts to prevent children from ever coming into protective custody. CPS is working on a community coalition pilot to aid such efforts. The project will be piloted in Sioux Falls and Rapid City, and the project mirrors the foundation of the CPCM Resilient Communities efforts. Finally, DSS Secretary Laurie Gill and Ms. Wieseler were able to tour the REACH clinic in Watertown and were impressed by the efforts to regionalize response efforts. Any questions regarding CPS efforts across SD should be directed to Ms. Wieseler directly.

Unified Judicial System, Court Improvement Program: Director Sanderson provided a report on behalf of Sara Kelly, Court Improvement Program Coordinator with the Unified Judicial System, who was unable to attend the meeting. CIP was one of the prime sponsors of the 19th Annual Community Response to Child Abuse Conference. The conference was held in October, with over 600 individuals attending and 55 speakers. The conference offered multiple CEU options and the Department of Education sponsored scholarships for up to 300 educators to attend. UJS will also sponsor the Children's Justice Conference on May 14, 2020, in Rapid City, SD. The Children's Justice Conference is free to all attendees.

The CIP committee has updated the Green Book. The Green Book provides instruction and recommendations on how to handle an Abuse and Neglect Case in South Dakota. The update was a year-long process and the new addition of the Green Book is now at the publisher. Hard copies will be available in December. Dr. Nancy Free suggested that a medical professional would be another resource for future reviews of the Green Book. The CIP committee is also working on an update to the training video for legal professionals involved in the abuse and neglect process.

The South Dakota Network Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault: Krista Herren-Graber, Director of the Network, reported Beadle County received a federal grant (SAKI Grant) to address sexual assault kits in the state of South Dakota. The Network is a partner on the grant and will be working with Beadle County and Dr. Bridget Diamond-Welch, a professor at the University of South Dakota. The goals of the SAKI Grant are to create an inventory of all kits in SD and to track the progress of kits from distribution through use and analysis, for the purpose of determining how kits impact the prosecution of sexual assaults. Herren-Graber also reported on 2019 legislative changes which required law enforcement to store anonymous sexual assault kits.

SANE Project: Kristi Kranz, SANE Project Coordinator, provided an update on the SANE Grant. The Office of Violence Against Women awarded the grant to the SD Department of Health (DOH) in October 2018. CPCM, the Network, and Child's Voice at Sanford partner with DOH to perform the work within the grant funds. One objective of the SANE grant includes the initial tracking of sexual assault kits in South Dakota, and CPCM is working closely with partners for the SAKI grant to collaborate on tracking systems. Additionally, the list serve for medical professionals interested in the SANE process has grown from 30 to over 100 within the past year. The SANE collaborative began quarterly training, with instruction from Dr. Nancy Free on pediatric kits and from Jen Canton on best practices. An additional project will be the creation of an online resource directory to provide easy access to resources for SANE nurses. In January, the SANE program will host a [Clinical Skills Lab](#) at the University of South Dakota. Registration is currently open. Terry Friend reported that Indian Health Services supports SANE work and has established policies related to sexual violence. Friend encouraged a dialogue about jurisdictional issues between state & federal sexual assault cases. Tatewin Means further commented that CPCM needs to ensure a systems change model which allows multiple perspectives and for multiple jurisdictions to be included in the SANE effort. Kranz will connect directly with Friend to discuss in further detail.

Kranz also reported the Avera Medical System received a multi-million dollar grant to provide e-SANE services for a 5 state area. Additionally, Jen Canton has become South Dakota's first SANE certified in pediatrics.

Action Item: Promote the clinical skills training to medical professionals in rural communities.

No Hit Zones: Angela Lisburg provided an update on the No Hit Zone project occurring at Avera. Lisburg has been working with the Avera system for over 5 years to implement No Hit Zones. The project started at Avera/ St. Mary's in Pierre, with the hope to branch out to the entire medical system. Partners utilized resources from the Zero Abuse Project (formally the Gunderson National Training Center) to establish processes for an internal education and training platform. Lisburg was notified that Avera/ St. Mary's was prepared to roll out the No Hit Zone campaign in October 2019. However, the Avera medical system became interested in a system-wide release and the implementation in Pierre was delayed. Hopefully, the No Hit Zone will be system-wide at Avera soon.

No Hit Zone Information was provided via a vendor booth at the Community Response to Child Abuse Conference in 2019 and an informational portal was created on the CPCM website. Additionally, Capitol Area Counseling Service in Pierre has expressed interest in implementing the program in the mental health arena.

REACH Team and MDT: Dr. Nancy Free provided a report for the REACH Team. The clinic in Watertown continues to see children every week. The REACH Team provided community trainings in Flandreau, Brookings, and Aberdeen, which were attended by various disciplines. REACH Team trainings can be scheduled upon request. DCI Agent Cam Corey is helping to lead the effort to develop infrastructure and a resource manual to aid in expanding regionalized models across SD. The collaboration with federal partners was discussed. Ms. Means provided information on the work done by the Federal MDT in Pine Ridge, SD, to make the federal process more victim-centered.

Data Workgroup: Sharon Chontos reported on the efforts of the CPCM Data Workgroup. The workgroup met in Madison, SD to discuss the data systems in use across multiple agencies in South Dakota. Child Protective Services seems to have the most robust data system and we continue to work on ways to collaborate and share information. CPCM is beginning a partnership with Dakota State University to determine next steps for building an integrated data sharing system. The workgroup is charged with determining what data needs to be collected state-wide, how the data will be used, and how much the data sharing system will cost to design and build.

BOARD RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

Senator Soholt led a discussion on the role of Advisory Board members and how members can contribute to the work. Soholt encouraged members to work on items that interest them and to be the voice of CPCM in order to engage state-wide stakeholders and provide collaboration within their field of influence. Soholt asked board members to get involved with projects that spark interest while simultaneously adding to work within the 10-year strategic plan.

Senator Soholt also discussed changes to representation on the Advisory Board. Senator Alan Solano has resigned from the SD Senate to concentrate on his full-time work. The dissolution of SD KIDS Count and, consequently, the resignation of Carole Cochran from the CPCM Advisory Board created an additional opening. Finally, Sheriff Berry Hillestad has changed positions and there is a law enforcement opening on the board.

Soholt asked the Nominating Committee to provide recommendations for filling vacancies. The Nominating Committee met via phone conference and Brent Gromer reported on the recommendations. The Nominating Committee unanimously proposed the following individuals for membership on the Advisory Board:

- Law Enforcement Representative: Sergeant Paul Stevens, Pennington County Sheriff's Office
- Legislative Representative: Representative Tim Reed (Brookings County)

The Nominating Committee additionally recommended the four major medical systems in South Dakota– Sanford Health, Avera Health, Rapid City Regional, and Indian

Health Services - have representation on the Advisory Board. This can be achieved by adding three additional positions on the board and transitioning the KIDS Count position to a medical position. The addition of the medical systems would require a change to the section 1.2(a) of the CPCM Advisory Board bylaws.

Current members of the board discussed the large size of the board and the benefits and concerns of adding the hospital systems to the board. Member opinions were collectively in favor of adding the hospital system positions. Senator Soholt asked for a formal vote of the present advisory board members regarding the changes to membership. The board members unanimously voted to accept the proposed changes from the Nominating Committee. Pursuant to CPCM Bylaws, the filling of the open law enforcement and legislative representative positions occur from within their respective organizations and do not require formal action of the Advisory Board. Both Representative Reed and Sergeant Stevens have been contacted and agree to serve on the board. CPCM Director Sanderson will provide instructions for any necessary bylaw changes to include the additional positions for the medical systems

Action Item: Provide feedback and recommendations of individuals within hospital systems.

ACES/ENOUGH ABUSE PRESENTATION

Tifanie Petro was able to join the meeting at noon and provided an update on the SD ACEs and Resiliency and ENOUGH Abuse programs. Director Sanderson discussed the funding and stipend dollars currently utilized and needed. ACE Interface licensure will be up for renewal in January 2021, at a cost of \$16,000. Colleen Winter provided information on the BRFS and YRBSS surveys. Specific information from the surveys will be provided to the board as soon as the survey results are published.

STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION & SUSTAINABILITY

Jolene Loetscher presented information on efforts to create a strategic communication plan for CPCM, in an effort to build sustainability. It is time to reflect on the growth and change occurring within the 10-year strategic plan and CPCM is excited to address Goal E. Originally, Goal E was written in an effort to implement the Enough Abuse Campaign. CPCM is ready to expand Goal E to include increased public awareness for across the state. Loetscher began the presentation by providing tips and tools to better communicate the CPCM movement. Loetscher encouraged participants to use helpful terms and phrases, such as “change agents” and “breaking down silos of work.” Loetscher suggested each Advisory Board member have a stock educational speech (elevator speech) ready to give to promote work across SD, with information tailored to your audience. Loetscher also encouraged members to have at least three facts about CPCM and partners prepared for their elevator speech. Board members who were present then practiced elevator speeches.

Loetscher then outlined the proposed communication strategy. The aligned efforts will effectively tell the story of how CPCM champions for children and families in South Dakota while creating action to end child maltreatment through a model inspiring states across the nation. The following communication strategy was presented:

- Goal 1: Media Awareness
 - Statewide Media lunch & learns starting with Rapid City
 - Creating bumpers and standard language for reporting to be run with any related stories.
 - Board member talking points
- Goal 2: State of Wellbeing
 - Annual news conference at Children’s Day at the Capitol
 - Development of proof of performance video
- Goal 3: Influencer Campaign
 - Statewide social media campaign utilizing voices of influences, coordinated around April as Child Abuse Awareness Month

Action Item: Develop your elevator speech and reach out to CPCM staff to help with facts, when needed. Rewrite of Goal E of the strategic plan by April 2020.

EVALUATION OF CPCM/ PROJECTS

Senator Sohlt and Haifa AbouSamra, Dean of the School of Health Sciences at USD, discussed an evaluation process for the CPCM Advisory Board and the CPCM Director. The CPCM Director is supervised by USD School of Health Sciences and reports directly to Dean Samra. Director Sanderson requested a 360 Review to evaluate the position as well as provide opportunities for growth and development. The results of the Director evaluation will be integrated into a professional development plan. Advisory Board members are asked to complete an electronic survey regarding the CPCM Director position. Additionally, the Advisory Board members are asked to self-evaluate the organization, participation, and growth of the board. The Advisory Board evaluation will occur in a separate survey. Both surveys will be distributed by the School of Health Sciences Dean’s Suite. The results will be communicated to Director Sanderson and the board, as appropriate.

Using the feedback provided at previous meeting, Sage Project Consultants developed a comprehensive project evaluation model for the CPCM strategic plan. Sharon Chontos provided an overview of the plan for the following projects:

- SD ACEs and Resiliency
- Enough Abuse Campaign
- SANE Program
- Sexual Assault Kits
- REACH Team

Director Sanderson offered background information on the need to evaluate project areas, focusing on the need for better data collection in South Dakota.

Action Items: Complete both Director and Advisory Board surveys by Friday, November 22, 2019. CPCM will provide slides from data discussion.

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

Director Sanderson and Senator Soholt outlined a legislative action plan for CPCM. CPCM will support efforts to add clergy and dental hygienists as mandatory reporters. Representative Erin Healy was prime sponsor of the clergy efforts in 2019 and will bring the bill again. Senator Soholt will meet with Representative Healy to discuss adding dental hygienists to the bill.

Other potential legislation:

- Enabling legislation to allow therapy dogs in the courtroom. Senator Soholt will be prime sponsor in Senate.
- Several pieces of enabling legislations in the area of community-based and virtual mental health.
- Commercial surrogacy issue – Senator Soholt reported on known issues of surrogates who are payed to carry children for couples; however, the couple may reject the child if the baby is a different biological sex than wanted. Potential legislation would inhibit couples from rejecting the child if they pay a surrogate to carry the child. This issue may not be ready by 2020 legislative session.

The following board members volunteered to be on the CPCM Legislative Committee: Wendy Kloepner, Dr. Free, Brent Gromer, Jolene Loetscher.

Action Items: Inform CPCM Legislative Committee about additional legislation impacting children in South Dakota.

OPEN DISCUSSION

CAAST Certificate Program: Dr. Shana Cerny and Dr. Kelly Bass have prepared a proposal for a CAAST Certificate program at USD. Dr. Cerny and Dr. Bass surveyed over 231 people over the past month in an effort to gather information for a needs assessment regarding the certificate program. Of those completing the survey, 70% practitioners, 18% students, 10% other. Survey responses strongly supported a need for additional specialized education regarding child maltreatment and 85% of respondents felt that a certificate program was necessary. The needs assessment will be submitted to Dean Samra and will follow the Board of Regent process for proposals of new programs. The application will likely be ready for the April Board of Regents meeting.

Dr. Cerny and Dr. Bass are also working on programming to train students through virtual home visits. Dr. Cerny applied for a small tech grant through USD. Jolene Loetscher advised that she has other possible funding for tech related projects.

The Advisory Board had a discussion on the development of a mock house for training purposes. Many voiced the opinion the mock house should be virtual. Dean Samra also discussed the work on virtual ICUs.

The Brookings area is hosting a community coalition meeting to discuss the potential of becoming a Resilient Community. Sharon Chontos and Kristi Kranz will be traveling to Brookings to help facilitate the meeting and present the Resilient Communities checklist.

Upcoming meetings and events:

- January 9, 2020 – 1Q2020 Advisory Board Meeting - Zoom/conference call
- January 22, 2020– Children’s Day at the Capitol in Pierre

Next Meeting.

The next Advisory Board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 10 AM via Zoom/ conference call. CPCM staff will send a calendar invite with login information.

Shana Cerny moved to adjourn the meeting and Jolene Loetscher seconded. All presented voted in favor of adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM CT.