

Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment Advisory Board

Minutes | Tuesday, August 15, 2017

ATTENDEES

Senator Deb Soholt – Chair; SD Legislature	Carrie Sanderson; CPCM Director
Nick Bratvold; SD CAC	Sharon Chontos; Sage/CPCM
Carole Cochran; SD Kids Count	Cameron Corey; DCI
Tanya Fritz; Children’s Home CAC	Krista Heeren-Graber – SDNAFVSA (Network)
Mary Beth Holzwarth; Advocate	Wendy Kloepfner; State’s Attorney
Ann Larsen; SD Dept of Education	Kathy LaPlante; USD Health Sciences
Michael Lawler; USD Health Sciences	Angela Lisburg; Avera St. Mary’s Central SD CAC
Jolene Loetscher; Advocate	TateWin Means; Oglala Sioux Tribe
Jay Perry; SD Board of Regents	Senator Alan Solano; SD Legislature
Suzanne Starr, UJS	Hollie Strand; Pennington County Sheriff’s Office
Virgena Wieseler; SD Dept of Social Services	Cassie Nagel; CPCM Program Assistant

The following advisory board members were not able to attend: Daniele Dosch (FBI), Peggy Gibson (Advocate), Sheriff Hillstad (Sheriff’s Association), Jill Thorngren (SDSU Education and Human Sciences); and Colleen Winter (SD Dept of Health).

The following guests were also in attendance: Jessica LaMie (SD Legislative Research Council) and Jeff Thormodsgard (Sage Project Consultants, LLC).

Welcome. Carrie Sanderson welcomed everyone to the second Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment (CPCM) Advisory Board meeting. She introduced two new members to the Advisory Board: Nick Bratvold, the newly appointed Chapter Coordinator for the Child Advocacy Centers of South Dakota (CACSD), and Kathy LaPlante – USD faculty. Carrie also introduced Cassie Nagel, CPCM Program Assistant who began her role in July 2017. Cassie will be instrumental in internal and external communication, budgets, press releases, and social media. Carrie will be on maternity leave from approximately September through late October. During this timeframe, call Cassie or Sharon Chontos for project assistance.

Senator Deb Soholt welcomed the Board and guests. The outcomes of the meeting are to finalize the mission, vision, and principles and gain feedback on the Board bylaws. We can then focus on the comprehensive plan. Senator Soholt and Jessica LaMie attended a legislative conference attended by all states. At the conference, they addressed child maltreatment. Senator Soholt was pleased that the strategies presented at the conference were incorporated into the CPCM 10-year plan.

CPCM Update. Carrie provided the following updates on the Center:

Budget. The FY2017 budget was used for a) salaries and benefits for the executive director; b) setting up the CPCM offices; c) travel and conferences; d) contracted services primarily through Sage Project Consultants; e) website; and f) resource database through the Helpline Center. Due to the fact of that the Executive Director and Sage began after February 2017, the FY2017 budget was not exhausted. Funds were rolled over to FY2018 to extend the Sage contract. Sage's role has been redefined to grant and fund development as well as assistance with projects, as needed. Grants will be needed to increase CPCM's capacity.

Fiscal Management. CPCM is able to offer fiscal management through "agency accounts". For example, REACH (Watertown MDT) has raised funds through the community and did not have an account. CPCM is holding an account for them through which invoices are paid. Carrie added that if other strategic partners need this service, CPCM can provide to them.

Senator Soholt noted that all fiscal management must be transparent. The CPCM work plan identified strategic partners that will lead projects. CPCM will be used to leverage larger grant or contract funding. CPCM is a safety net and foundation moving forward.

Calendar. Carrie and Cassie will be creating a calendar with conferences and annual meetings where CPCM's staff or Board members should attend or be visible. Examples include the State's Attorney annual meeting and Sheriff's Association meeting. The website will have an events calendar page. CPCM will also have a presence at the Great Plains Tribal Health Board meeting at the end of August 2017.

Website. Carrie walked the Board through the newly developed CPCM website. The three pillars – Know, Respond, and Prevent – will be weaved throughout the website. The aim of the website design and content is a) to be provide education and information; and b) to be a credible and professional site. The initial target audiences are mandatory reporters and parents. The Board members and Carrie made the following suggestions to consider:

- Develop a list of steps that the child and family will go through from reporting to recovery.
- Add a "Donate Here" button.
- Highlight the CPS hotline number and 911 to report.
- Clarify CPCM is not a reporting mechanism.
- Ensure the website language is at an 8th grade level.
- Offer translation; work with the USD Modern Language Department Chair.
- Populate list of agencies who offer behavioral health treatment and recovery for children and families.
- Add cybertipline.org link.

Down the road, we can add tabs that are specific to target audiences such as child, parent, mandatory reporter, or professionals (law enforcement, behavioral health, medical).

Advocacy Role. The CPCM Advisory Board agreed the CPCM should be in a position to advocate for policies that protect children. Carrie will work with USD and the Board of Regents on clear

ground rules for CPCM and its Advisory Board members, specifically regarding CPCM's role during legislative session.

CPCM Vision and Mission. The Advisory Board agreed on the following vision and mission statements:

Vision: *To end child maltreatment in South Dakota, beginning with child sexual abuse.*

Mission: *The Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment's mission is to foster child and family wellbeing through knowledge, response, and prevention.*

Principles:

- Improve the health and well-being of South Dakota children and families.
- Promote resiliency in children, families, and communities.
- Promote awareness and understanding of poly-victimization.
- Promote healing and safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments.
- Give a voice to children, making it safe for kids to disclose abuse promptly when it occurs.
- Assist South Dakota communities in creating an environment that promotes prevention and healing through trauma-informed strategies.
- Address historical trauma.
- Promote and implement evidence-based, promising practice, and best practice solutions.
- Commit to address child maltreatment and work towards a common goal.
- Address emerging issues in child maltreatment.
- Coordinate the work plan and remove barriers to completing objectives through the USD Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment.
- Collaborate efforts between agencies across the state.
- Collaborate with tribal leaders in the planning, execution and evaluation will be integral to the plan's success.
- Ensure the diversity of our state is reflected through culturally inclusive materials and activities.
- Include stakeholders from across the state on the Advisory Board and project partners to ensure collaboration, continuity and a sense of urgency.

Board Ground Rules. The ground rules in which the Board members will work with each other and the Center's director and staff will be as follows:

- Include the Center Director regarding communication about objectives in the work plan.
- Be timely and honest in communication. Know and communicate limits to set realistic expectations.
- Collaborate with the partners at the table, particularly in the pursuit of sponsored funding. Disclose conflicts as they arise, and work through them for the good of the mission of the Center.
- Work in concert with identified leads.

- Foster the health of all organizations that are involved.
- Supplement and support in the spirit of collaboration.
- Work with integrity and transparency.
- Be responsive to what works and what doesn't work in implementation.
- Leverage trauma- and poverty-informed practices.
- Focus on policy and process.
- Include voices from Indian country – make a concerted effort to invite and meaningfully engage.

CPCM Bylaws. The Advisory Board reviewed and provided edits to each section of the bylaws. Refer to the attached bylaw draft. The Board will conduct a final review at the November meeting.

Grant Update. Funding opportunity requests to date have been in Goals A and D.

Vision 21: Linking Systems of Care application to OVC (Office for Victims of Crime) is pending. If awarded, will provide \$500,000 of support over an 18-month period for extensive planning and requirements gathering for a statewide integrated database solution, aligned with Goal A's vision. We anticipate announcement of awards any day. Two grants will be given, joining two existing Vision 21 Linking Systems of Care grantees in the U.S.

Raliance Letter of Intent was submitted mid-July 2017. If invited to submit a full application (for an award that would begin April 2018) the focus will be on expanding the MDT concept in northwestern SD, and enhancing existing efforts of the Watertown-based MDT. The grant will be approximately \$50,000 if awarded. Invitations to submit a full application are expected in October of this year.

Ongoing efforts towards funding are focused on three avenues: Bush Foundation, South Dakota Community Foundation, and United Way. Carrie and Sharon have held introductory meetings with all three funders and were met with positive and encouraging feedback. The projects of most interest to these funders are within Goal D. Rachel and John from Sage are working with CPCM to craft narrative and supporting budget for a number of areas within Goal D, most recently further development of the mobile outreach/mock house concepts presented within that framework. A working meeting is slated for this week Thursday to sharpen the framework for a Bush Foundation request, with intent to request \$200,000 through their Community Innovation Grant program.

Work Plan Review. The Board members provided a review of the objectives under each goal.

Goal A: Statistics and Benchmarking

Carole Cochran reported the Vision 21 grant is still pending.

The Annie Casey Foundation denied a grant application for a tribal meeting. We will take insights from the foundation and will highlight outcomes in the next grant request. We are continuing conversation with the Annie Casey Foundation. We are working with JDI to convene

a tribal advisory group. We are also considering a project, actionable intelligence for social agency, to propose to the MacArthur Foundation.

Goal B: Private, Public and Tribal Health Priority

Dr. Nancy Free provided an update on the pediatric sexual abuse kits. She is working with the manufacturer to provide final edits on instructions. There will be a card on the front of the kit that will have a 1-800 number. The phone will be forwarded to a medical expert that can walk them through the forensic process, as needed. We are still determining who should receive the kits. For example, should targeted law enforcement agencies receive a pediatric kit or should they use the adult kit for swabs? The state lab will process the kits as they do with the adult kits. Dr. Free and team will investigate training based out of Marshall, MN on pediatric kits to see if we can use as well.

Dr. Free noted Child's Voice has seen a significant increase in pre-pubescent children that presents acute sexual abuse symptoms.

GOAL C: Mandatory Reporters

Amanda Nelson, a graduate student at USD, facilitated a medical professional survey regarding mandatory reporting. This work was overseen by Professor Chelsea Wessner. The results yielded a low response rate: Amanda sent the survey out to 1,000+ medical professionals and only 39 responded – 3.5%. CPCM will evaluate the process to determine how we can enhance responses in the future. Regardless, the preliminary results provided insight for how we can move forward. The following were some highlights:

- 76% of respondents have received training on child abuse but only 65% percent of respondents felt the training adequately addressed child abuse reporting.
- 45% of respondents did not feel that their professional development training continues to help them deal with cases of child abuse. Requested education included continuing CEs for diagnostics, information on the legal process, and a refresher on the mandatory reporting process.
- Barriers for reporting were: "I didn't have enough information"; and "what if I were wrong?"

Ms. Nelson will be invited to present her work at the ribbon cutting in the spring.

The Board discussed partnering with summer research programs on work that supports the work plan. For example, Sanford Research's Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) program led by Dr. Danyelle Kenyon.

GOAL D: Criminal Justice and Child Protection Service Response

Cam Corey and Nick Bratvold reported on the Watertown area MDT, REACH. Through CAC-SD Chapter, REACH received VOCA funding (\$68,000) to launch the program. The original goal was to begin July 27, 2017; however, due to delay in funding the first day will be August 22, 2017.

Four core REACH members went to training in Arkansas. The REACH members were the top team at training in finding evidence. They then held 6-hour training courses in Watertown hosting 118 people including but not limited to the principle, SANE, law enforcement, and guidance counselors. The VOCA funding will also pay for a part-time MDT coordinator. Nick, CAC-SD Coordinator, will also fulfill the role of MDT Coordinator. The position description will be updated based on the status of the MDT. There will be an open house; Board members will be invited to attend. Financially, REACH should be stable at 1 day per week. They have four police departments and five sheriff departments involved. Cam has been assigned to sex crimes and homicides by DCI so he can better shepherd this project.

CPCM will apply for a Bush Foundation grant for investigative research. We will know the status by December 2017.

GOAL E: Public Awareness

Children's Home Society (CHS) did not receive the requested VOCA funding to launch the ENOUGH Campaign and ACES training. Tanya Fritz explained CHS has reframed the project to extend the launch time frame. Tanya recognized DSS for providing funding for the ENOUGH Campaign licensing and DOH for the ACES licensing and train-the-trainer project.

Virgena Wieseler and Tanya will be accompanying Linda Daugaard at a First Spouses (Governor's spouses) conference on September 12 – 14. Ms. Daugaard's focus will be protecting children from maltreatment and using ACES to identify individuals who may need treatment and recovery resources.

CHS is working closely with Rapid City Collective Impact and Sioux Falls Thrive for potential partnership to roll out Enough and ACES.

Senator Soholt requested Jessica LaMie to research trauma-informed efforts in Wisconsin.

GOAL E: Infrastructure

Carrie, Carole, TateWin Means, and Kathy LaPlante are working together to establish a tribal outreach. Senator Soholt noted we also need to work with immigrant populations as well.

Action Items.

1. Carrie and Cassie. Continue to update website.
2. Board Members. Send Cassie information on conferences or annual meetings that we should attend.
3. Board Members. Provide search terms for resource database to Carrie and Cassie.
4. Board Members. Review bylaws prior to November Advisory Board meeting. Provide edits or suggestions to Carrie and Cassie.
5. Jessica LaMie. Research trauma-informed efforts in Wisconsin