

## Building Bridges to Improve Mental Health

## Oklahoma Bi-weekly Liaison Meeting Agenda National Center for Child Welfare Competent Mental Health Services

Monday, July 29, 2024 10-11 AM (EST)

Participants: Bonni Goodwin, David Johnson, Falon Morgan, Tim Marshall, Michelle Savieo, Sean Snyder, Johanna Moronta

**Meeting Objectives:** To review the initial steering team meeting, ensuring that NC is meeting OK's expectations, incorporating their feedback into future meetings, and continued discussion regarding integration of mental health partners.

Time	Agenda	Who	Purpose	Decisions / Next Steps
10-10:10	Feedback/info sharing/additional agenda	Bonni/David/Falon	Set intention for the meeting	What
	items			Who
				When
	Updates from prior meeting (07.15.24)	Johanna		
10:10-10:30	Feedback from first steering team meeting	Bonni/Falon	Hear from OK liaisons as to	What
			how they felt meeting went &	Who
	TA workplan draft	Johanna	future adjustments	When
10:30-10:40	Update regarding mental health partners	All team	Ensure OK has MH voice	What
	from Centene & outreach to other potential		representation	Who
	MH partners		_	When
10:40-10:50	CW-MH collaboration survey	Dawn Davis/Megan	Status and next steps	What
		Paul		Who
				When

10:50-10:55	September onsite visit	Johanna	Confirm date & identify next	What
			steps	Who
				When
	Next Steps:	Johanna	Action items identified to	What
			keep moving forward	Who
				When

\*See next page for meeting notes\*

## **Meeting Notes:**

- > Feedback/info sharing/additional agenda items:
  - o Bonni feedback: liked the voting at last steering team meeting, felt like it initiated movement
  - There was mention of potential legislators at last steering team meeting, and proposed the idea of NC connecting with legislators to support their process, based on feedback from Tony
  - David mentioned that they have a legislative liaison position (OK DHS)
- > TA Workplan draft:
  - highlighted the team's discussions about improving access and workforce competency, and the strategies and tactics that emerged from these conversations.
  - $\circ \quad$  ideas still in a rough draft stage and open to revision
  - gave examples for tactics focused on engaging youth/families, incorporating NC partners FosterClub & FREDLA, to possibly conduct focus groups, LEx leaders to facilitate or co-facilitate, or having trainings on how to engage and work in partnership with youth and families.
  - There have been a lot of discussions on funding sources (grants, municipal bonds, funding collaborations), some feedback has included alignment of funding & obligations, same target population and fragmentation of services, lessen becoming territorial of services & funding
  - Discussed possible tactics of improving intake screening and assessment tools. Have heard that even if families can access services, it may not be geared toward their needs. Have also heard a lot about other non-traditional services and supports (peer, family support providers).
  - Bonni suggested clarifying the roles of the steering committee and implementation committee to ensure members are funneled into the appropriate area based on their interests and passion.
- > Update regarding mental health partners:
  - Tim had conversations with OK CompleteHealth and incorporating NTI training in their provider network
  - Michelle proposed reaching out to case workers involved in child welfare to understand their assessment processes, challenges, and referral methods
  - Sarah mentioned position of permanency planning specialists, but case managers make their own referrals for the most part; however, in different parts of the state it may be automated by the courts
  - o Led to question of which population did they want to target-early on, closer to permanency, post-adopt

- Focus groups at different points along the spectrum to understand access at different points?
- Sarah believes that workers understand how to make the referrals but finding opening/availability is difficult; statewide problem, but more prevalent in rural areas
- Sean proposed the idea of focusing their next workshop on the theme of access, considering the experiences of different roles such as families, case workers, and mental health providers
- Need to define *access*, we're all using that word but how does everyone define access
- CW-MH collaboration survey
  - Focused on MH agencies that have connection with OK DHS, going out to CW administrators
  - Bonni/David quickly looked at the listing and felt it encompassed all entities known to them, both CW & external providers
  - there will also be an option to write in an organization if it's not listed
  - o Will be enlisting Dr. Deb or Tricia Howell's assistance to ensure CW administrators prioritize the survey
  - Site selection process survey has/will be sent out for OK leads
- September onsite visit
  - Have narrowed date to 9/19
  - Purpose of that meeting to refine the workplan and implement concrete next steps
  - o Some discussion of location (OK City and Tulsa), rotating onsite visits to be more inclusive