



Broward Children's Strategic Plan Abuse & Neglect Committee Meeting

LOCATION: Address

MEETING DATE: May 2, 2013

MEETING TIME: 9 am – 10 pm

Committee Members Present: Tahia Moore (KID), Yva Dieudonne (BCPS), Sharon Cohen (CSC), Jim Walker (BSO), Monica King (CSC), Dr. Chico Arenas (Broward Health), Michelle Coleman (CSC), Shannon Rhodes (WID), Hillary Creary (Guardian At Litem), Betty Wershoven (BCPS)

Item	Recommended Action Steps	Required Follow -Up
	Welcome & Introductions	
Item # 2 Joint meeting with Domestic Violence Committee	<p>Last month a joint meeting was held with the Abuse & Neglect Prevention committee and the Domestic Violence sub-committee. The Domestic Violence committee is about a year old and has developed a strategic plan. "Defending Childhood", a report from the Attorney General's office pertaining to Children Exposed to Violence was reviewed at that meeting and the committee rated themselves per Recommended Action Item under Section 4. Creating Safe and Nurturing Homes and Section 5. Communities Rising Up Out of Violence. A summary from that meeting was distributed for reference.</p> <p>Today's Abuse/Neglect Committee identified 3 items from that report that were rated by the Joint Group as Needing Improvement:</p> <p>4.1 Home visiting There is more capacity needed in the community Home Visiting Services need to address complex issues like SA, DV Need more front end Home Visitation Services</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Discussion ensued regarding gap in service for youth needing substance abuse treatment and parents refusing services.</p>	Bring Bridges Power Point presentation to next meeting.

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<p>BSO CPIS Update</p>	<p>There is currently no protocol for when a parent refuse services from social worker regarding substance abuse. The Chrysalis center does in home substance abuse counseling for teens and is a Medicaid billable service.</p> <p>5.6 Train Child Care Providers to identify children exposed to violence The community has been working together under the BRIDGES project to bring training to both ECE staff and Child Welfare staff. Trainings have been implemented, Manuals for Foster Parents have been created.</p> <p>5.7 Provide Training to School Staff to Sustain Safe Places Resources for 5.-7 include BrainShark training and the Bridges training. These can be shortened when presenting to teachers.</p> <p>DCF is undergoing a Transformation using Structured Decision Making in its assessment process. A 2-week full day training will be held on this new protocol. The assessment will be done which will look at the family functioning, discipline practices, child and family, etc... Once the assessment is complete, the SDM report will be filled out. This report cannot be used in court but will be used only for service providers to help determine the level of intensity of services needed for families. The referral form needs to be updated for CPIS. We need to monitor if case management needs will change related to this Transformation.</p>	
<p>Item # 3 Next Meeting</p>	<p>June 6, 2013 at 9 am at Child Protective Investigation Office 351 NSR7, 3rd Floor Training Room</p>	