Welcome and Introductions

Ivy initiated a Poll to see what programs and community partners were present.

DHHS and CWS Announcements

Ivy informed the group that Deputy Director Daryn Nimmo is moving on from CWS to take a new position locally.

AG Supplemental Judgment Overview and Progress

Ivy showed a presentation that explained what the requirements were in the Supplemental Judgment and our progress. The requirements of the Supplemental Judgment were those items that were part of the original stipulated judgment that were deemed to be incomplete or in progress at the conclusion of the three-year period (beginning in 2018). The bulk of the work that was left to be done included work in Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) activities in four key practice areas of CWS: Timely Screening and Referrals to Mental Health, Timely Child and Family Team Meetings, implementation of SDM Fidelity Tools, and development of local Tribal Collaboration Policy and Procedures Fidelity Tool.

The compliance monitor for this supplemental judgment is the California Center for Rural Policy (CCRP), a local research company affiliated with Cal Poly Humboldt. We have also identified a Child Welfare Expert, Evident Change (formerly NCCD), to support Child Welfare and ensure that we are consulting on the methodology and processes that we develop for the CQI activities as well as being a resource for technical assistance and consultation for the compliance monitor.

The compliance period for the Supplemental Judgment was one year that went through February 2022.
CCRP is producing bi-annual progress reports. The first progress report was released in January 2022 and is available publicly on the CCRP website and has been sent to the Task Force participants. The second bi-annual report is anticipated to be released on or before June 30, 2022. The jurisdiction is retained by the court until that report is released.

CWS is working on creating SMART goals: Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Time-Bound.

This presentation can be found at the following link:  https://prezi.com/view/qxLULoPpd8qAfWXftuaf/

Child Protection Reporting Guide (CPRG) Project Status and Demonstration

Child Welfare Services, in partnership with Evident Change, has been working on the CPRG for nearly four years (started Sept 2018). The CPRG is a decision-support tool for any individual struggling with whether and how to report child abuse or neglect; this tool is provided to help guide reporters through the decision making process. Regardless of the outcome of the using the CPRG, reporting individuals may still call the reporting line to report neglect or abuse. When the CPRG does not recommend reporting, it can direct the reporter to other community services that may be available. The current version of the CPRG is provided in its entirety at the end of these minutes.

The group was polled on their level of familiarity with the CPRG:

The group participated, together and in break-out groups, in reading scenarios, entering information into the Guide and discussing the results. The group was informed that sometimes “Unknown” is paired with yes, sometimes no. It is very helpful to use the definitions provided to help work through those responses.

Links to the CPRG are as follows:

Link to the CPRG:
https://cprg.app.evidentchange.net/humboldt/

Link to CPRG e-learning:
https://docs.evidentchange.org/humboldtcprg/