



CARTF

Springhill Suites, BOISE

Clearwater III Room

April 6, 2014

MINUTES

Kirt Naylor - Child Advocate Attorney (Chairman)

Bart Adrian, MD – Pediatrician

James Baugh-Children with Disabilities

Phares Book, PsyD –Psychologist

Doug Giddings-Idaho County Sheriff

Marcia Hernandez– Foster Youth

Patti O' Dell – Homeless Education Liaison

Jill Robertson– Parent

Jennifer Tachell– Educator (Vice-Chairman)

ABSENT

Mindy Peper - Administrative Support

Tammy Perkins – Governor's Office –Not Attending

GUESTS: Anne Tierney- INCAC, Kendra Knight- The Governor's Office, LeAnn Simmons- Idaho Voices for Children, Dr Paul McPherson- Medical Director for CARES Medical Clinic, Teresa Abbott -CFR Team, Nick Stout- The Governor's Office

Joshua Wickard- Public Defender

Miren Unsworth- DHW, Family & Children Services

Susan Bradford, MD – Pediatrician

Hon. Steve Clark- Civil Magistrate Judge

Jennifer Bergin- Prosecuting Attorney

Tahna Barton – CASA

Hon. Mark Rammell- Criminal Magistrate Judge

Debbie Stallcup – Juvenile Justice

Molly Vaughn– Victim Services Coordinator

WELCOME, OPENING

Naylor welcomes everyone. Tachell makes motion to approve March 2014 minutes. Giddings seconds, all in favor and so moved.

CARTF/CJA Financial Report, Unsworth

Unsworth reports that through February, our grant was just over \$131,000.

Rough estimates show that we will have about \$90,000 to spend on grants, conferences, projects, etc. Teresa Abbott is increasing her hours from 10 to 15 hours per week for the remainder of the year, however this is included in the estimates. We will also have some printing costs for the CFR Team report. Anne Tierney will bring some training ideas that will require CARTF grant funding.

Baugh suggests CARTF could use some funds to commission someone to do an objective, impartial examination about medical neglect related to religious beliefs. Could be helpful to quantify the picture. The difficulty will be to find the information. This will help us make a decision one way or another where CARTF moves. Naylor asks if this would fit in our mission. Unsworth feels it would fit. Need to find out how much it would cost to know whether we would need to do an RFP. Baugh will talk to his contacts to see if there is someone who might be interested in doing this type of study. Adrian will contact the Oregon reporter to see if he has any suggestions. Odell suggests you could start with those families

that refuse immunizations. However, you will miss those who homeschool and refuse immunizations.

MDT Grant

CARTF discusses MDT grant request from Bright Tomorrows CAC in Bannock County. This is a certification training. There are not any concerns about the training or equipment requests. Tachell moves to fund the request in full for \$6568.84 (lowest bid), Robertson seconds, all in favor, and so moved.

Strategic Planning/ Upcoming Meetings

Move May 2 meeting to May 9. Add prosecutor packets to September meeting. Ask task force by email about cancelling November 7 meeting since it is so close to the October meeting and conference.

Conference

The Riverside Hotel only has capacity for 300. We have booked the hotel for use. Allow 350 to show, plan food for 300, don't charge, first come, first serve basis. Unsworth suggests we have a panel of people who might talk about medical neglect. Rita Swan is a possibility for a keynote. Could do two topics, and AM session and PM session.

Start AM breakfast at 8 and leave the food out through AM break. Lunch served. PM break at 2.

INCAC, Anne Tierney

Anne reports that they passed the legislation with amendments. Stated a lot of conversation across the state as well as raise awareness about the CACs.

Anne gives a brief update about the CACs. In light of April being Child Abuse Awareness month, had an open house at St Luke's CARES in Twin Falls to bring awareness to the St. Luke's staff. Had a great turnout. CARES Boise holding open house today and expecting a great turnout. There has been a great media blitz to bring awareness to the open house for the St. Luke's community. Really, the first big event CARES has held for this subset of people. Nampa has a new director at NFJC and it has been a smooth transition. Pocatello CAC has several awareness activities planned this month including Stewards of Children training. Next month they will hold a training about the ethics of treating trauma. Idaho Falls CAC is holding walk/run to raise awareness, campaign is called "Believe in the Blue." Also holding several parenting trainings. Oneida MDT is developing who will attend MDT meetings. They are attending victim advocacy training. Coeur d' Alene CAC has changed hands again and is co-located with NIVPC. Law enforcement is thriving up there in using the CAC despite the changes. This summer INCAC will work to get some of their SRO's and outlying areas trained. They do have a strong MDT but they struggle with the structure of the CAC.

Upcoming projects of INCAC:

Just finished Corroborating the Forensic Interview training. This was for already trained interviewers to discuss how to build a better case as a team. Had 60 people attend- law enforcement officers, interviews, and prosecutors. Half-day training. Have had lots of feedback that they would like to get the training back again. Partnered with Western Regional Advocacy Centers. Charged \$49. Included everything except meals.

Having a peer review and training for forensic interviewers in May from Salt Lake. Will use the NICHHD model. This is beyond the basic training and includes best practice tips. It is geared for law enforcement who already conduct these interviews. Usually local agencies participate.

In September INCAC will hold Idaho Medical Child Abuse conference. This is for medical providers across the state- doctors, Nurse Practitioners, and nurses who do the sexual abuse exams. Will be a multi-disciplinary tract that includes law enforcement on the first day and more focused on medical professions the second day. This is the fourth year. They have great turnout from across the state every year. This conference is followed by a second peer review. Would like to add on to this conference as it goes. Conference is free. Would like to help with travel and lodging.

Anne discusses ideas she might have for training funded by CARTF or in partnership with CARTF. Would like to add on to the September conference that might open it up to the MDTs. Anne asks if CARTF would give more than the \$5000. Naylor says that it depends on the request. Anne asks what kind of projects CARTF is interested in funding. Naylor talks about the annual Keeping Children Safe conference. He asks Anne if she is aware of some trainings/topics/ speakers we could bring in on that day. Anne suggests Defending the Forensic Interview. Focused on the prosecutor and the interviewer. It is a two and half day training and includes a mock trial on day three. Usually limited to 20 teams so everyone can participate in the mock trial.

Another option is a training that is focused on anyone involved in trauma care, a training given by Laura Van Dernoot Lipsky. It deals with complex trauma and is a one-day training. Her entire day is about \$7000 for fee and travel. This addresses how the trauma impacts the first responder (practical and holistic self-care), and will certainly improve the MDT team as a whole. Anne will email Peper contact info as well as grant. Naylor will do the negotiating with Laura. Could also have Rita Swan speak during lunch as keynote.

Anne asks if CARTF would consider helping with travel costs on some of the law enforcement to trainings and medical doctors to medical conferences. Anne is encouraging them to apply for grant funds.

CFR Team Annual Report, Jerrilea Archer, Teresa Abbott, Miren Unsworth

Regarding the CFR Team report, only printed 25 color copies, 75 in black and white. Will recommend printing all of the reports in color as it is much easier to read. Naylor suggests that copies should be sent to the legislature leadership as well as other designated committees. Baugh says there is only 105 legislators and could send a report to all of them. Adrian recommends that we send one to all the pediatricians, approximately 150 doctors. Unsworth and Abbott will work on printing and Peper can work on dissemination. Naylor suggests including on the front page under the CARTF logo the website link for those who might want to print additional reports. Need to give some to the governor's office as well. Could be beneficial to give one copy to each school superintendent (218 districts). Another idea could be to create a 2-3 page executive (pages 1-3) and send that with the link to the full report to all others except the legislators. Could be an email with a link and/or a .pdf file with a cover e-letter. At a minimum we will print for governor's office and legislators. Unsworth will look into cost of mass reproduction.

Team has loss one member and there is a need for a CASA representative. Great board, flows well, most of the time there is a full meeting. This year may look into bringing in a specialist for motor vehicle accident reviews.

CARTF and guests discuss contents of Child Deaths in Idaho 2011 report. See report for details.

CFR team began meeting about a year ago and reviewed 2011 cases. The report covers those finding as well as the successes and challenges of the reviews. The first section of the report includes high-level recommendations. These are addressed more specifically at the end of the report.

One of the issues was records for the reviews. Some were very complete while others had holes and other school and medical records would have been very useful.

Started with 195 death certificates from 2011. A subcommittee of the CFR Team chose which ones to review based on criteria that included causes of death based on external risk factors. Chose not to review any premature deaths thought that could be included in the future. Abbott would then gather the data for the reviews.

Naylor asks what the criteria was when making recommendations. Unsworth states that a collective discussion based on what was learned over the year in each case. Looked at what was most commonly missed in specific types of death.

Regarding SIDS cases, some of the deaths were misclassified due to inconsistencies with causes of SIDS. This may be one reason why SIDS deaths are higher in Idaho. Cultural practices could play into this as well. Also some

training issues/inconsistencies, inexperience, and funding issues amongst coroners, especially new coroners.

Regarding motor vehicle accidents, may help to specify or classify whether teen driver was cause of accident as well as if it was a single car accident or not.

Regarding Homicides, it is questioned whether some of the SIDS cases would have fell under homicides due to inconsistency in following SIDS guidelines.

Regarding Suicides, better access to school records and mental health history would be helpful in these reviews. Odell asks what would happen when school records were requested. Sometimes they would not receive anything, but usually the school would cite family privacy in not sharing records. Odell suggests that team might try asking parents of these victims for parent release in which they can make a copy of the file. However, Baugh suggests that may cause some public policy issues in the sensitive nature of child suicides as well as re-traumatizing the parents.

Regarding Firearms as Injury Mechanism, the rate is volatile due to small samples. This resulted in general recommendations.

Promo Items

Tabled until April

New Business

No new business

Adjourn

Next meeting will be held May 9, 2014 at 8 a.m.

May Agenda Items:

November meeting

Foster Care Youth Advisory Panel

Juvenile Justice Replacement for CARTF

Conference update- speaker

Action Items:

Peper-

- Email CARTF regarding cancelation of November 7th meeting
- Update website with CFR Team report and highlight on front page
- Advertise grant money to MDTs using survey contacts
- Update website

- Mail out CFR Team reports
- Get conference speakers contact information and pass on to Naylor
- Schedule May 9 meetings for both CARTF and CFR Team