



## CARTF

Springhill Suites, BOISE

October 27, 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

**JoAnn Gemar** – Homeless Education Liaison

**Jill Robertson**– Parent

**Jennifer Tachell**– Educator (Vice-Chairman)

#### ABSENT

Mindy Peper - Administrative Support

Tammy Perkins – Governor's Office –Not Attending

GUESTS: none

**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

**Nadine McDonald** – Juvenile Justice

**Molly Vaughn**– Victim Services Coordinator

### WELCOME, OPENING

Rammell moves to approve minutes. Giddings seconds. All in favor and so moved.

### CFR Team Update

Tahna Barton is our newest member on the team. The team reviewed sudden infant deaths last time they met. They are on track to have their annual report out in February.

### MDT Grant Request

Peper to email Rebecca Lovelace that the grant application is not detailed enough- who is going, position, why five, have they been before, how will you use the information. You can email to task force but needs a lot more detail in it. Let Rebecca know we typically send limited staff from an MDT and ask that they disseminate the information to the rest of the team.

### CPA Reporting and Mediating

Naylor reviews how mediation works amongst parties and the act that protects the confidential proceeding of mediation. If child abuse is disclosed to a mediator, wouldn't that mediator have obligation to disclose the abuse to appropriate officials? Naylor sought the opinion of a senior judge who due to the nature of the wording of the statute, the mediator cannot hide behind the confidentiality statute and does have to report it. Rammell discussed that if it comes from a third party it can be reported. Mediators are protected from being called in to be witnesses to testify. Question is, if in a civil case, and information is given, does the attorney-client privilege trump the obligation to report. Naylor

thinks that we should get an opinion from the bar counsel or AG office. Baugh wonders what we would do with the information. Naylor suggests we could write an article for the Advocate Magazine.

## **Strategic Planning for 2015**

Tabled for December

### **Old Business**

CARTF discussed Faith healing bill and taking a position. Tammy Perkins relayed to Naylor that the Governor would not take a position. Is there something more that CARTF can do with this? Is there a way to deal with this as a conservative state? Baugh suggests that we do some fact finding, then put together a short report addressed to the Governor about what we find, showing the child deaths that could be prevented in the absence of the religious shield law and state that we feel that the law be conformed and how. Bergin asks what other states do. Adrian states that Oregon removed the exemptions over a period of two times. Rammell suggests we could present a compelling argument that this is a problem. Naylor asks about looking at the statute that doesn't allow just anyone to bury a person in the backyard. The question is what can we do—other than supporting the legislation? Rammell asks, can a request be made for a legislative committee to be formed to look at the problem. Baugh explains the process. Rammell says that as a task force we need to be on the record as saying this is a real problem. We need to send a letter to the Governor regarding our concern. Adrian and Baugh will write a letter to the Governor and bring it to the December task force meeting for review.

### **Action Items:**

Peper-

- email strategic plan in Excel to CARTF

Unsworth-

- check and see if the grant assurances prohibit taking a stand on legislation and/or lobbying

Naylor-

- speak with bar counsel about mediators obligation to report abuse

Adrian and Baugh-

- craft a letter to Governor regarding task force concern about faith healings bill

DECEMBER 5 Agenda Items:

-ACES Initiative

-Look at strategic goals and discuss new ideas

**CARTF will meet December 5, 7:30 AM, SpringHill Suites in Boise**