

# Meeting Minutes-State Interagency Team Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2018

2:00-4:00

**Facilitator:** Cheryle Bilodeau

**Note Taker:** Cheryle Bilodeau

**Present:** Alicia Hanrahan, Amy Lincoln Moore, Diane Bugbee, Karen Price, Laurel Omland, Selina Hickman (guest), Morgan Cole, Amy Roth, Cindy Tabor

**Regrets:** Barb Joyal, Amy Danielson, Suzanne Legare Belcher, Pam McCarthy, Melanie D’Amico, Monica Ogelby

Agenda Item	Discussion Notes	Next Steps
<p><b>Guest:</b> Selina Hickman, Policy Director, DMH</p> <p><b>New SIT Member-</b> Morgan Cole, CIS Director</p> <p><b>Updates/Questions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical assistance LIT visits – visiting Morrisville again— March 26<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00. Who can attend?</li> <li>• CSP Form Update Workgroup</li> </ul>	<p><b>Selina</b> has been in her role for two months now with DMH. Nick Nichols was in the role prior. Selina oversees how the state documents and manage rules, policies and developing new policy. Supports DMH in the legislative process.</p> <p><b>Welcome to Morgan Cole</b>, new CIS Director to our team. She has been in her role for about three weeks now. Prior to this role, she was at Annie E. Casey Foundation providing strategic planning to states in child welfare.</p> <p><b>Morrisville LIT Visit-</b>Alicia, Amy and Laurel will attend the March 26<sup>th</sup> LIT visit.</p> <p><b>CSP Workgroup Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amanda Churchill (Youth Development Director) from Family Services came to the group today to look at the Youth Thrive Framework they are using to ensure youth voice is brought to the table. We incorporated important topics and concepts into the form. We did not want to put the entire form into the CSP and instead added the language. The group is streamlining the form and looking to make it more family-friendly.</li> <li>• Laurel and Cheryle had a discussion with a supervisory union where they said as special educators they had some feedback about the CSP form they would send to us. Alicia will reach out also to see if educators have feedback</li> </ul> <p>From Jessica Bernard, Quality Chief, CAFU: <i>The quality team at DMH is wondering if SIT would like to have an opportunity to provide feedback about DAs during the redesignation process (which is starting now). We typically ask care managers, the</i></p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing input in the redesignation process</li> </ul>	<p><i>business office, and the legal team to provide any feedback that they have, and we want to make sure we're not leaving SIT out if they feel they have something to contribute. We'd be looking to hear feedback about what is going well at the agency or any concerns that have come up over the previous year.</i></p> <p>Designation for each DA and SSA occurs every four years by DMH and DAIL—they are done on a rolling basis and Lamoille has just finished.</p>	<p>SIT would be interested in seeing the final report. As well, if Jessica has specific questions about DA's and wants to send questions to SIT folks could respond accordingly. Family Voice on SIT already have a strong voice in this process. Laurel will ask Jessica more about this.</p>
<p><b>System of Care Report 2018</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Made edits to the final report</li> <li>• Discussed is there a way to link outcomes to coordination—rather than just counting CSPs.</li> </ul>	<p>This will be sent out by Cheryle to Commissioners, Deputies, Directors, LIT Coordinators, MH Children's Directors, DS Directors, Act 264 Board</p>
<p><b>SAMHSA Grant update and question ~ Laurel</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laurel handed out "Promoting Primary and Behavioral Healthcare Integration Grant" This is a 5-year \$9.9 Million grant from SAMHSA that needs an advisory committee</li> <li>• A project director, Laura Bernard, will be starting on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Laurel wondered if SIT could be the advisory board with some additional members on a quarterly basis</li> <li>• KY, NY and VT got grants during this round—ours is the only one focused on children with SED</li> <li>• Starting in two regions (Richford and Springfield) the goal is for primary care and mental health designated agencies to work together to provide more seamless services to families.</li> <li>• This could look like quarterly one hour of SIT being dedicated to this—we would keep an hour for just SIT in case we have a consult from a region and to keep the focus on other SOC tasks.</li> </ul>	<p>Laurel will send the handout out electronically</p> <p>Decision was made to agree to become an advisory board for the grant—we will do the board meeting the first hour and SIT the second with the option to go an extra half-hour if needed.</p>

<p><b>Letter of Concern from a LIT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reviewed letter of concern from LIT</li><li>• Letter highlighted concerns about youth with DS and MH needs and how the system is not set up to support them—they sometimes end up hospitalized for a long time with nowhere to go.</li><li>• How do we divert youth or have a crisis response, so they don't end up being hospitalized at all?</li><li>• The youth the letter was about is now back in the community with a DS waiver</li><li>• In the waiver, the cost-effective alternative that is in there is under-utilized – there is a form that gets filled out with relevant signatures. This approval is for a specific youth. This has been used by Vermont.</li><li>• Within the Turn the Curve group, we reviewed several Requests for Information that highlighted this issue and we are looking into how to create something to address this, as well as, how to have more mobile crisis.</li><li>• In IFS regions, the eligibility requirement is eliminated so they don't have to wait for that or to go to equity—there is still a need to find workforce and resources.</li></ul>	<p>Cheryle will reach back out to the LIT Coordinator to communicate the discussion we had today</p>
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