

Act 264 Advisory Board Agenda

Friday, April 26, 2024

9:30-12:00

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9:30-9:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Introductions2. Approve March meeting minutes.3. Plan for May meeting4. Overview of meetings for this year—and plan joint SIT and Act 264 Board in addition to October meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> Inform <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decide
9:45-10:00	Operating Guidelines Review	<input type="checkbox"/> Inform <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decide
10:00-10:20	Annual LIT Survey Planning and Discussion	<input type="checkbox"/> Inform <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discuss <input type="checkbox"/> Decide
10:20-10:30	Break	
10:30-11:55	<p>Discussion and planning around recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ DCF Data system: not having heard back from DCF does the board want our support or want to leave matters as they stand.➤ Start lining up some department people with whom to discuss what is being done on some of our recommendations. For example, what is happening re the underlined portions of our recommendations?	<input type="checkbox"/> Inform <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discuss <input type="checkbox"/> Decide

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase workforce retention and recruitment efforts across schools, mental health, developmental disabilities, and healthcare. 2. <u>Create more community-based programs and high-level care in Vermont for children regardless of custody status or what department they are working with at the Agency of Human Services.</u> 5. Improve Data and Information Systems. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Invest in the child welfare data system. b. <i>During 2024, the Act 264 Board will investigate ways to increase a consistent, efficient, and accurate method of tracking Coordinated Services Plan data.</i> c. Aim to streamline applications across the Agency of Human Services departments with access to information in the system so families and staff aren't repeating information and overwhelmed by repetitive paperwork. 6. Focus on affordable housing for children, youth and families and staff. 7. Continue prevention efforts to address <u>substance use and increase treatment options for youth in Vermont.</u> 8. <u>Continue to focus on social and emotional learning, awareness, and inclusion across agencies and in schools to reduce anxiety, increase emotional wellness, and promote connectedness in children and youth.</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Increase childcare and community opportunities for young children birth to 8 years old and their families to support play for social and emotional learning. b. Have more community spaces for children and youth to practice and live these concepts by ensuring their access to youth centers, sports, various group and team activities, afterschool programming, arts, interest-based experiences. c. Increase a sense of connection and belonging for historically marginalized children, youth, and families. d. <u>Agency coordination to promote staff training through The Collaborative for Advancing Social and Emotional Learning: https://casel.org/ and trauma-responsive practices</u> | |
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	<p>➤ Development and support of Vermont’s Strategic Plan for Suicide Prevention will be reviewed for feedback. Support of this plan may be considered as part of our recommendations.</p>	
11:55-12:00	Public Comment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inform <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss <input type="checkbox"/> Decide