

# Meeting Minutes-State Interagency Team Meeting

Thursday, January 28th

2:00-4:00

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Facilitator:** Diane Bugbee

**Note Taker:** Laurel Omland

**Present:** Karen Price, Amy Lincoln Moore, Sandi Yandow, Adam Poulin, Alicia Hanrahan, Barb Joyal, Suzanne Legare Belcher, Danielle Bragg, Laurel Omland, Dana Robson, Amy Roth, Diane Bugbee

<b>5 minutes</b>	<b>Welcome</b>
<b>One hour 30 minutes</b>	<b>Confidential Consultation with SIT</b> February meeting there will be a Family Consult from a LIT
<b>15-30 minutes</b>	<b>Updates, Wrap Up and Next Steps</b> <i>Diane</i>  <b>DMH</b> – interviewing for Policy Director and Assistant Quality Director, which have been vacant for months. Mobile Response in DMH’s proposed base budget. Chittenden County exploring Cahoots meeting on Feb 17 <sup>th</sup> .  <b>FSD</b> – Sheila Duranleau and her position were moved from FSD to CDD. Lily Sojourner’s vacant position was frozen. Has created compression in leadership. Tomorrow is Jim Forbes last day with FSD, retiring. A lot of time to put in request positions to be unfrozen. Heard could fill Lily’s position. FFPSA work that Jim had held will be held by team. There’s a work plan with TA from federal group via Children’s Bureau. Not clear who will be driving that work yet.  Situation last week where a youth had to leave residential program, didn’t have another option, staffed in hotel. Assaulted staff. Ripple effects from closing of Woodside. Don’t feel have resources need. Will no longer staff child/youth in hotel; already have rule that will not staff overnight in police dept. COVID reductions of beds is also impacting this. Legislators and VSEA interested.  <b>DDSD</b> – facing significant capacity issues in system, impacting children and families, including those in state’s custody. Have lost home providers, staff at agencies, etc. Discussing capacity concerns; workforce group with provider agency reps. Fielding questions about vaccines.  <b>CSHN</b> – fielding questions about kids with unique complex medical presentations, whether can prioritize for vaccine. No process for this currently.

**VFN** – families concerned that DAs who care for vulnerable individuals are getting vaccines, but the vulnerable individuals are not if not in age band. Shared living providers not recognized as caregiver who qualifies for vaccination – concerns from these providers. Workshop coming up about vaccinations. Karen will send info to get out to families.

**FREE WORKSHOP: COVID 19 UPDATES AND VACCINES**

**FEBRUARY 10 @ 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

Free

Join us for an interactive session with Lakeside Pediatrics' Dr. Greg Connolly, M.D., F.A.A.P., where he will help interpret the most recent news around COVID 19 and the vaccine with a focus on questions posed by families who have children with disabilities.

Presenter: Dr Greg Connolly, M.D., F.A.A.P. Lakeside Pediatrics

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