

Connecticut GTF Planning - Advance Survey

Connecticut Governor's Task Force Advance Survey 2017

As you know, the Connecticut Governor's Task Force (GTF) Executive Committee will be meeting in early February to engage in a Strategic Planning process. In advance of that session, we are asking all Task Force members to complete this brief survey. Your responses will help to inform the agenda and guide the discussions and eventual Plan by identifying strengths, challenges and key areas of focus for the Task Force moving forward. We do ask that you include your name (Q1), but please know your individual responses will be kept strictly confidential. The only one who will see your individual responses is the Planning Session Facilitator, Cathy Crabtree. By including your name, she will be able to track who has and who has not yet completed the survey (*thus we can refrain from bothering you with reminders once you have completed the survey*) and it will allow her to follow up with you individually and privately in the event she has questions or needs clarification about any of your responses. Thank you so much.

1. Please enter your name below:

2. As you think about your experience on the CT GTF, what do you see as the greatest strength or asset of the Task Force?

3. Looking ahead, what do you believe are the greatest opportunities facing the CT GTF in the next 1-3 years?

4. Looking ahead, what do you believe are the greatest challenges or barriers facing the CT GTF in the next 1-3 years?

5. Please rate the following statements related to the composition/make-up and engagement levels of the current Task Force, using the scale below:

Strongly Agree Somewhat Agree Neutral Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree I'm Not Sure

Cultural diversity on Task Force is strong

Comments:

Professional diversity on Task Force is strong

Comments:

Geographic diversity on the Task Force is strong

Comments:

The majority of members are fully engaged in work of Task Force

Comments:

The majority of Task Force members have a strong understanding of our intended purpose and goals

Comments:

The Task Force would benefit from recruiting new members

Comments:

The Task Force would benefit from replacing members who are not actively participating

Strongly Somewhat Somewhat Strongly I'm Not
Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Disagree Sure

Comments:

6. Please rate the following statements regarding the relationship/partnership between the GTF and the Connecticut Children's Alliance (CCA).

Strongly Agree Somewhat Agree Neutral Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree I'm Not Sure

I believe the majority of Task Force members have a clear and accurate understanding of the differences between the GTF and CCA

Other (please specify)

I believe there should be a stronger, more intentional partnership between the GTF and CCA.

Other (please specify)

I believe that currently there is unnecessary overlap between the work of the GTF and the work of CCA.

Other (please specify)

I believe clear and appropriate boundaries currently exist between the work of GTF and CCA, thus ensuring effective investment of resources with minimal duplication and overlap.

Other (please specify)

I believe there is confusion among many shared stakeholders in CT about the purpose and goals of the GTF vs the purpose and goals of CCA.

Other (please specify)

7. What, if any, changes would you like to see related to CT Governor's Task Force **Meetings** (schedule, format, focus, etc.)?

8. Please rate the following statements related to the CT Governor's Task Force Committee Structure.

Strongly Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree I'm Not Sure

The Task Force should have Standing Committees, as per current bylaws

The Task Force should assign Ad Hoc Committees, as needed, for specific initiatives, projects throughout the year rather than have Standing Committees

The Task Force Committees should include non-GTF members with unique expertise in the specific areas the Committee is focusing on.

The Task Force does not need to have Committees

Other (please specify)

9. Below is a list of common initiatives and activities Children's Justice Act Task Forces across the nation are currently focusing on. Please rate these in regard to whether or not you feel these should be priority focus areas for the CT GTF.

High Priority Priority but not Urgent Low Priority Not a Priority for CT at this time I'm Not Sure

Strengthening the Task Force itself

High Priority Priority but not Urgent Low Priority Not a Priority for CT at this time I'm Not Sure

Other (please specify)

Developing, implementing a meaningful Strategic Plan for the Task Force

Other (please specify)

Funding salaries/contracts of MDT Coordinators throughout the State

Other (please specify)

Supporting ongoing training and peer networking for MDT Coordinators/Facilitators

Other (please specify)

Supporting Statewide or Regional MDT Trainings

Other (please specify)

Supporting emerging and/or developing Children's Advocacy Centers

Other (please specify)

Supporting expansion and sustainability of existing Children's Advocacy Centers

Other (please specify)

High Priority Priority but not Urgent Low Priority Not a Priority for CT at this time I'm Not Sure

Supporting expansion and sustainability of the State Chapter for Children's Advocacy Centers

Other (please specify)

Funding statewide conferences/trainings for child abuse professionals from all core disciplines

Other (please specify)

Providing travel scholarships for specialized training for individual child abuse professionals

Other (please specify)

Awarding innovative project sub-grants

Other (please specify)

Funding research projects intended to identify gaps in and/or innovative approaches to child protection across the state

Other (please specify)

10. What, if any, specific activities and/or initiatives - other than those listed in Q9 above - would you like to see the CT GTF explore or support in the years ahead?

11. Please feel free to enter any other comments, observations or suggestions below: