

STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)
November 8th, 2016 RETREAT
Synergy Achieved through Coordination

Regional Administrators Reflections Panel

REGION 1

1. Used to be a formal provider meeting
2. Last 2 years became family centered/friendly
3. Family Driven
4. Need focus to increase youth participation
5. Internship
6. Going to YAB monthly

REGION 2

1. Shout out for RA Michael Steers – Supportive System of Care.
2. RAC fitting in to the S of C “System Merger” (see grid of current systems)
 - a Less meetings.
 - b More representation.
 - c Electronic system to send announcements throughout Region and to every Stakeholder.
3. Workgroups:
 - a YAB
 - b Foster Family Recruitment
 - c Now joining the workgroup, Racial Justice Focus.
4. Family Champion have joined the network.
5. Juvenile Justice Reform
6. Increase youth participation
7. Create Brochures
8. Care Giver Advisory
9. Also presentations to help guide/inform
 - a Closing CJTS
 - b Social Impact Bonds
 - c Network of care work

CONCEPT FOR THE DAY: “TEAMWORK” - MAKES THE DREAMWORK

REGION 3

1. RAC STRUCTURE
 - a RAC needs to be Advisory process not a meeting.
2. 2 Semi-Annual RAC/FAB meetings.
 - a Invite others (* list advisory council)
3. Keep each other informed.
4. Fight the fight of getting voices heard.
5. Find ways to collaborate with other tables.

6. How can SAC function better?
 - a State purpose needed/more from SAC – questions/charge
7. What we want SAC to know?
 - a Does SAC care?
 - b Help to get together and inform ideas
8. MENTORSHIP

REGION 4

1. Strong family voice advocacy help register RAC to better engage families (e.g., not just emails).
2. CQI Teams - looking at performance expectations that we strategize all year long.
 - a. Family members of RAC joining those discussions to help.
 - b. To help think differently about how to reach goal.
3. Exiting from Juan F.
 - a. Ensuring that children are residing safely with families.
 - b. Achieving racial justice across our system.
4. Preparing children in adolescent in our care for success.
5. Development & success out of the work force.
6. Transparency from DCF about “How we’re doing” – challenges & success.
 - a. Celebrate our Successes.
7. Partnering with CONNECT & NC System of Care.
8. Making connections for upcoming year.
9. Get Youth voice at our RAC!
 - a. (Listening to suggestions from other RACS that has worked).

MEASURABLE GOAL:

Next year Retreat we will have several youth present.

REGION 5

1. Involve the YAB
2. Looking for Youth Co-Chair
3. Interested in JJ population and racial justice
 - a How measure of successful develop measures.
4. Focus groups of JJ kids
5. Empowerment & Leadership (Youth and Community)

REGION 6

1. Information and Data Sharing
 - a Presentations.
 - b Shared resources
2. Resource issues
 - a Families that participate and the reasons why they come.
3. Increase parenting with voice
 - a Added youth as a tri-chair
 - b Increase and improve access to resources.
4. Increasing parenting with voice.
 - a Fathers
 - b Transitioning youths.
 - c Stay focused on Transunion adolescents and youth.
5. Combine Meetings

- a Network of care with ISS Executive.
- 6. Partnered with DMHAS Young Adult Services in the Region.
- 7. Stay focus on the adolescent transitions work
- 8. IDEAS:
 - a Retreat to help identify priorities
 - b Connect RAC/YAB in some way
 - c Team night events.
 - d Better connecting.
 - e Get Parents Involved.
 - f Learn for the Youth Boards & from Foster Car Alumni Assoc.
 - g Using Social Media to Connect youth to resources
 - h Improve mental health assessment before they age out.
 - i Pilot CSF/PEER Mentor program for youth aging.

DCF LEADERSHIP TEAM

1. Create a Facebook of SAC members
2. Post minutes and agendas from various bodies in a central location on DCF website

SAC REFLECTION

1. Better Participation
2. Better Communication