

## Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP)

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### January 17, 2013 Minutes

#### In Attendance:

Mike Ryan, Dr. Handler, Rick Martin, Russell Brammer, Linda Smith, Frances Cadenas (D1), Ken Grebel, Karen Cianfrani, Susan Leibel, Janis White, Gene Howard, Allison Gyves, Marri Derby, Bridget Kelly, Betsy DeGarmoe, Tricia Smith, MaryAnn Soden, Sharon Boles, Lawren Ramos, Melinda Konoske, Christine Smith, Helen Howe, Anne Bloxom, Dolly Lomeli

**1) Introductions / Announcements:** Introductions were made. Frances Cadenas introduced Dolly Lomeli with OC Child Support Services. She requested that an upcoming meeting take place at their facility and those interested participate in a tour of their resource center.

Dr. Handler reported that one of the funders for the SSA Chief Medical Officer is unable to commit to the five years of funding.

**2) State legislation/budget – No update.**

**3) ACTION ITEM -** Review and approve minutes from the October 18, 2012 meeting. Minutes reviewed and approved.

**4) Program/Project Updates –**

- Child Abuse Services Team – Christine Smith stated that in 2012 CAST provided 521 interviews, 92 sexual abuse exams, 30 physical abuse exams, 113 follow up exams. There is a therapy component through HCA Behavioral Health. 600 victims a year are being seen by CAST. All families are offered victim witness and there were 173 victim witness referrals for ongoing services.
- Foster Youth Services – Betsy Degarmoe provided a handout with highlights of FYS history, funding, focus, the educational liaison role, data, events, upcoming projects, and contact information.
- Mental Health Act (Prop 63) – Ken Grebel provided an update on programs funded through Prop 63. He discussed realignment and the Healthy Families transition. 800,000 children receiving Healthy Families will transition to Medi-cal in 4 phases, over 9 months. He discussed Katie A – intensive services for foster youth, which is pending implementation until there is further clarification from the State. Mr. Grebel provided an update on AB3632. HCA has an agreement with some school districts to

continue to provide mental health services. Other school districts are choosing to serve the kids themselves.

- Wraparound – Helen Howe provided a handout which included the mission statement, eligibility, information on direct service providers, support services providers, and the provider network program. She also included Orange County’s milestones and outcomes.

**5) Subcommittee Report –**

- Emancipation Services – Anne Bloxom discussed AB12, extended foster care and said there is a higher participation rate than anticipated. There is a need for emergency settings for AB12 youth. 555 youth participated in training workshops. Anne discussed TILPs and also a grant that was received for digital storytelling.

**6) 2012 Annual Report on the Conditions of Children –** Mary Ann Soden provided copies of the quick guides and said it was also available online. She encouraged everyone to continue to distribute the flyers for the upcoming Community Forums. There will be outreach tables at the Mission Viejo Forum and the Irvine Forum, if interested, contact MaryAnn. MaryAnn requested volunteers for facilitators of the engagement exercises – Marri Derby and Dr. Handler may be available, MaryAnn provided an update on the first 2 Forums – 130 people attended the first one, 91 attended the second one and overall the feedback has been positive.

**7) High School Completion Committee –** Rick Martin provided a handout, Santa Ana Adelante – A College Degree in Every Home by 2020.

**8) Child Abuse Prevention Roundtable –** Russell Brammer announced that the Raise Foundation’s Annual Conference will be March 7 at the Delhi Center and Dr. Bruce Perry will be the keynote speaker.

**9) General Committee Member Comments –** Dr. Handler discussed homelessness. He acknowledged the Board of Supervisors for approving an all year round shelter in Fullerton. He also discussed a new project – collaboration between entrepreneurs, restaurants, food banks, etc. to end hunger in OC.

**10) Public Comments –** None

**NEXT MEETING: February 21, 2013**