Iowa Change Leadership Vision Council
Older Youth Work Group
September 14, 2021
Attendees: Greg Bellville, Kelly Wandishon, Kristie Oliver, Kathy Thompson, Michelle Tilotta, Marlo Nash, Katie Henry

Results:

- Set of recommendations, narrative outline, and plan to finalize content are all in place for September 24 meeting with Director Garcia
- Action Commitments made

Agenda

- **Meeting Overview and Check In**
  - How are you?
  - Do you have a question or comment about today’s agenda or meeting results?

- **Brief Context Setting**
  - Focus today: Preparing recommendations/narrative points for meeting with Director Garcia et al on Sept 24
  - Planning for Call to Action Summit and finishing the overall SUDWG Results Plan development will recommence at the next Workgroup meeting

- **Setting a Target for the Program Population**
  - By 2026, Iowa will safely reduce the numbers of families with children ages 0-10 entering the child welfare system by 50%.
    - Review of RFI response from DHS
      - Page 2 - includes all children, not just 0-10
      - Kristie will follow up with DHS to see if they can pull out data for ages 0-10
      - Group believes these numbers are low—which is a good thing, but unsure if these low numbers are from Covid or because of system change or because of the filters put on the data
      - Would like to get trend data from 2018/2019
      - Kristie will request trend data from previous years
    - Given the data, can this target be achieved by focusing on SUD-related situations alone? Is it the intersection of SUDs, housing and financial security? Or, is it SUD-related AND financial insecurity/poverty-related? Or, is it lowering the targeted percentage for reduction, i.e. not 50%, but a lower percentage? What feels achievable?
      - Is 50% too high since some of the data shows the numbers are smaller than anticipated?
      - Hard to compare all data sets
• How much of this data is already known?
• How do we lift up the correct data to show this is a real issue

• Question from last meeting: At what point does the SUDWG want to measure “reduction?”: At intake level? At assessment level? Confirmed or founded cases (Does this need to be decided today, i.e. before the 9/24 mtg?)
  • Discussion on how the data was and is being tracked
  • What will help support our data?
    • Overall maltreatment data and here are the ways we’ve looked at info
    • Can show trend data and then treatment data
    • Just to show all the different ways to look at the situation
  • Does this just highlight intersystem communications?
    • May not be the main reason a family entered the system

• Solidifying SUDWG contributions to the meeting with Director Garcia on 9/24, including:
  ○ Recommendations
    • Family Oriented, Regulated Services
    • Improving Cross Systems Approach
    • Ensure consistent data collection and access across departments and services
    • Caring Community Concierge
  ○ Narrative outline/key points to make for SUDWG Program Population
    • Discussion regarding Caring Community Concierge and how this may need to be the focus
      • Create pilot program
    • Discussion regarding the Peer Supports/Recovery Coaches and how some programs are already happening
    • Greg created Talking Point Outline and sent it to members of workgroup on 9/15/21
  ○ Action Commitments by 9/21; by 9/24
    • Greg – create outline of recommendations and send to the rest of the group to review
    • Kathy – get information about previous attempt at pilot program
    • Kathy – look at and pull data from the past DHS case involvement and see how the filters the SUDWG used could affect the numbers
    • Kristie – Follow up with DHS on the numbers from Page 2 of RFI to have information for ages 0-10
    • Kristie – RFI for previous years’ data
• Check Out
  ○ Review of action commitments