

North Carolina State Collaborative for Children and Families
CHAIRPERSONS: Pat Solomon and Joel Rosch
LOCATION: Mental Health Association, Inc., Raleigh, NC

DATE: 6-13-08
START TIME: 9:00 am
END TIME: 11:00 a.m.

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May Alexander, Durham LME, SOC	Melissa Hill, NASW-NC	Lisa Salo, SOC Coord, Guilford Center
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Kelly Graves, CYFCP UNC-G	Mary Neil Morris SE Regional LME	Berkeley Yorkery, Action for Children
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ITEM	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	Action by Whom and When
(1) <i>Welcome & Introductions</i> Pat	All were welcomed and introductions made.	Sign in and email updates completed.
(2) <i>Review of minutes and agenda</i>	Minutes were not available so they will be reviewed at the next meeting.	Minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.
(3) <i>Review of Strategic Plan</i>	<p>Strategic plan priority #1 (develop a comprehensive plan to increase communication and support between local collaborative and state collaborative) was reviewed at a previous meeting but Kelly Crowley, DMHDDSAS, provided an update regarding increasing access to the SOC toolkit. The new child and families page on the Division's website has a link to the SOC toolkit.</p> <p>Priority #2 of the strategic plan (support implementation of child and family teams) was reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A clear definition of CFT has already been established. - In regard to developing an inventory of trainings, it was mentioned that the Clearinghouse website would hopefully be able to catalog all of the CFT trainings across agencies. - It was also noted that for the last 10 years SAYSO has been providing training for teens and foster parents to be ambassadors for youth advocacy. It was recommended that this effort be put on a future agenda so the Collaborative members could learn more about this effort. - It was recommended that all agencies use standardized language to promote uniformity across agencies. It was noted that the CFT curriculum would help in this regard but it was up to the agencies themselves to adopt the curriculum. - It was recommended that the Collaborative members participate in a mini-CFT training so they can get a better understanding of the training curriculum. It was recommended that Gail do a 3-hour training for Collaborative members in September. - It was also recommended that after the state administration change, around Feb 2009, that the Collaborative review policies across agencies to see if CFT policies are supported. - It was noted that more emphasis is needed to promote and share success stories – both individual and systems level successes. The December conference will solicit success stories and announce/recognize these successes at the conference. It was also recommended that success stories be shared routinely as part of the Collaborative meetings. - It was noted that we are doing a great job at training supervisors and managers with our efforts related to the annual SOC conference. It was mentioned that it is important to augment training of front-line staff with training supervisors and managers to reinforce these efforts. UNC-G DMH training specifically for supervisors was noted as a good example. Collaborative members recommended that training for supervisors and managers be mandatory and suggested drafting a recommendation statement from the Collaborative to agencies. - It was noted that a universal rate for family trainers is needed across the state. The Parents and Teachers as Allies training was highlighted as a good example. - It was recommended that CFT and SOC training be incorporated into all Social Work schools' curriculum. While this is known for some universities (UNC-G), it is not known how all of the universities in the state incorporate this training into their curriculum. - In regard to bring informal supports to the table, it was noted that Candice was leading the Membership Committee and is making efforts to include others from various stakeholder groups and invite them to attend the Collaborative meetings. It was noted that it would be great to have representatives from the faith community, VR, and GALs. 	<p>Future agenda item – learn more about SAYSO training efforts.</p> <p>Future meeting – hold a mini 3-hour CFT training for Collaborative members in September.</p> <p>Starting Feb 2009 – review CFT <u>policy</u> agencies across agencies.</p> <p>For all future meetings – encourage sharing success stories for individuals and systems.</p>

	<p>- In regard to on-line training, this was something DPI is working with NC State to develop. It was also noted that the Duke Endowment helped to support an on-line training for MH and that there is an on line SOC training in the Western part of the state.</p>	
<p>(4) Work Group & Partner Updates</p> <p>Training – meets TODAY 2nd Friday 11-1 at MHA Healthy Youth Transitions – 2nd Wed 2-4 at AOC School Based MH – 4th Friday 11-1 at MHA Evaluation – TBA Cultural Competence-TBA Assessment – TBA</p>	<p>Training Committee – Kelly Crowley updated everyone on the progress of the SOC Conference in Wilmington in December. A save the date flier was distributed at the meeting and was sent out via email this week. They are now recruiting for exhibitors and sponsors for the conference. Also, 2 keynote speakers have been confirmed for the conference – Julia Charles (a NC foster care system graduate) and Sandra Spencer (presidential of the National Federal of Families). The training committee was planning to meet directly after the meeting today to further discuss the conference.</p> <p>Paul Savery, DMH/DD/SAS, made several announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A video will soon be available (by end of the summer) regarding how families can find treatment for adolescents with substance abuse problems. The video was produced by a NC woman, Linda Warden, who lost her son to addiction. The video shows interviews with children, families, professionals, and administrators to capture a multi-dimensional look at substance abuse among youth. Paul emphasized that the video was valuable for family members and professionals. They are looking for ways to distribute the video and may distribute the video among collaborative members and may show it at the December conference. - DMH is sponsoring 2 tracks on alcohol and drug studies at the summer school in Wilmington during the last week in July. The tracks will be on evidence based treatment for adolescent substance abuse, with one track for administrators and managers and another track for clinicians. More information will be distributed via the Collaborative email, but contact Paul if you want more information. - DHHS will be launching a new website in the next 2 to 3 weeks, so he advised the agency representatives to make sure their most current information is posted on the website. - Paul emphasized the usefulness of the Global Assessment of Individual Needs (GAIN). The tool assesses MH and SA needs. He said it is a standardized instrument that could help improve the quality of care. He said they will be sponsoring another GAIN training in early Fall. <p>Positive behavioral support staff are were trying to encourage schools to submit date for the evaluation. They have no authority to ensure schools submit the data, so they are providing incentives and recognition of schools that provide data.</p> <p>Narell Joyner, Meck Cares, provided several updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project director for their grant is resigning, so Kim Campbell their clinical director will assume some of her responsibilities, but they are also hiring an assistant director for public relations and wanted to announce the open position. - They have been providing funds to providers who implement SOC with good faith efforts, but not all of the deliverables have been met. So they will now provide additional funds to providers, but mandate agencies hire SOC coordinators to ensure all deliverables are met. - She emphasized problems with an ongoing barrier regarding the development of a person-centered plan, since there is often difficulty getting supervisory approval because the plan may not be in Medicaid language for reimbursement. Narell suggested this topic be put on the agenda for discussion at a future meeting and recommended someone from Medicaid Value Options be present to help answer questions. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Deleted:</p> <p>Future agenda item – discuss the challenge between developing a person-centered plan and having the plan written in language for Medicaid reimbursement.</p>

	<p>Kelly Crowley said the DHHS secretary tasked the DMH and LME's to look at the highest needs kids which carry the highest costs, given they are usually the highest users of community support services. They want to look at the quality of the CFT, role of SOC coordinator, and what TA is provided to community providers.</p> <p>Rick Zechman, DSS, reported that the CFT policy was approved by the NC Directors Assoc this week. He also noted that DSS is busy preparing for the Title IV-E audit the week of June 23rd.</p>	
<p>(5) Agenda Items for Next Meeting</p>	<p>Please send agenda items to Pat at phsolomon@earthlink.net and copy susan.robinson@ncmail.net Thank you</p>	<p>Next Meeting: 6/27/08 – 9-11</p>
	<p>Any Audio Visual equipment needs should be requested well in advance. phsolomon@earthlink.net</p>	<p>Pls send edits to susan.robinson@ncmail.net</p>

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