California Child Welfare Council
DATA LINKAGE AND INFORMATION SHARING COMMITTEE NOTES
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 - 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

Welcome & Introductions

Action Items:
- Approval of June 1'st Meeting Notes – Moved, Seconded, Approved.

Discussion Item: Larry Bolton, California Department of Social Services; Kevin Gaines & Peter Kelly, Child Welfare Digital Services; Child Welfare Council Statement of Information Sharing, Data Standardization and Interoperability
- Hope to present at next Council meeting. Recommendation for committee consensus before reporting to the full counsel. Email Larry comments/questions: wa.la@dss.ca.gov
- Daniel: Would like Berkeley to host a webinar with individuals who submitted comments/questions. Then present in December.
- Question: Were models in other states, or jurisdictions, looked at when creating this?
  - Actually on the cutting edge of other states. Recommendations: Look at Illinois policy perspective on data sharing, NY, San Diego opt in/out policy.

Presentation: Barry L. Zimmerman, Director Ventura County Human Services Agency
Ventura County Foster Health Link
- Available on CWC website: http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx
- Provides access to medical records to caregivers 24/7 on desktop/mobile only surrounding their own child.
  - Can include school records (grades, etc.) in future phases.
  - Social workers also have access. Change of social workers will be updated itself.
  - Ability to print immunization history (i.e. for schools). Currently, can't print anything else-- didn't see the need.
  - No teenagers at this time, because can only have information until age 12, due to reproduction. Future phases will look how to segregate it out.
- If history notes mental depression, can connect to resources.
  - Where is this information coming from?: Network of Care; Trilogy. Have a subscription program with them, their responsibility to update links.
- Questions/Clarifications:
  - Foster care parent can't input in site?: Currently no third-party access. Can't judge if caregiver is legitimate in input.
  - Can it all be consolidated in one views?: Yes, would just take more time/money.
  - How long to build?: 6.7 yrs ago in concept. Less than 6 months to develop.
  - Do you keep a databook for variables you can access? Yes, IT folks maintain.
  - Usage?: Slow uptake, seasonal use (beg. of school year). Translates to Spanish, except medical terms. No charges on a use basis, acts as patient portal.
  - Training process: Social workers, support staff, eligibility staff, etc.
  - Ventura has 99% insurance provided by same company, how replicable is it?: For ease: 1 company is easy. But still is replicable in other counties.
  - What considerations for aggregate, management?: No haven't looked at that. For analytics would need to access and manipulate data.

Discussion Items:
- National/State/Local Project Updates— Brief summaries and updates on progress of national, state and local initiatives or studies - "Data in the News"
  - Available on CWC website: http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx
- Potential Presentations for December meeting
  - Dr. Bridget Leary: works with data in SF provided; how much do youth come to SF and use their homeless system services?
  - Would be helpful to hear what's going on with mobile applications. LA just got award for mobile porter, that's the latest thing for us. Some other jurisdictions probably doing a lot. Can reach out to connect with Deputy Mayor.
  - Data matching project; DHCS will produce information next week. Linette: trying to look at using match data to support some of the reports done previously. Working with counties to make client. Will be able to present in Dec. Suggest getting input/insight from council members.
  - Laurie suggested T2 Trauma transformed, Jen Lealand working to do GIS Mapping. Would be really interesting with this group. Some of the challenges with data sharing. Like many issues today, where are the providers? Maybe Jen or Hall. Daniel says we will pursue that.

Presentation: Akhtar Khan, Ph.D., Chief, Research Services Branch, California Department of Social Services
Foster Youth Participation in the CalFresh Program A
- Available on CWC website: http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CommitteeInformation.aspx
- ABAWD: No data to identify this subpopulation. How many youth? 150 to 200k adults a month. Lots of in and outs in the 3 month program.
- 97% exact match for these 20k individuals, to link data.
- Household issue: Rules around purchase and preparing together. If not purchasing and preparing together, than can be a household of 1 even when living with large # of people. It is a self-certification.
- Many eligible people, however many undocumented. Methodology where we can take out undocumented population.
- Next steps: What can we do? Many don't have documentation, etc.
  - Need to figure out outreach, county/department responsibilities.
  - National Youth in Transition Database. Anthony: Just a portion of youth. Database only represents 50% of youth. Might be better ways in addition to that.
  - Laurie: Cal Youth in the Loop: "nothing for us without us." Welcome to look at survey for foster youth online.

Discussion of Presentations
- Occurred throughout the presentations

Committee Adjourned