

**CALIFORNIA CHILD WELFARE COUNCIL
DATA LINKAGE AND INFORMATION SHARING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
June 11, 2014**

I. Welcome/Introductions

II. Action Item: Approval of March 12th meeting notes

- Discussion: proposed amendment – change “Food stamp programs” to “CalFresh program”
- Meeting notes approved with proposed amendment

III. Discussion Items

- National/State/Local Project Updates—brief summaries and updates on progress of national, state and local initiatives
 - The Children’s Partnership: <http://www.childrenspartnership.org>
 - Ventura County: big event to launch Foster Health Link (linking Electronic Health Records to Child Welfare records) on Tuesday with a presentation to the Board of Supervisors
 - Pilot in Sacramento County to use Health Shack (which provides transitional age current/former foster youth access to their health records) to assess and implement AB12
 - Working with CDSS to gather advocate input on the CWS/CMS redesign; there will be a report on this input from a diverse range of stakeholders/advocates will come out at the end of June
 - Full strategic plan for PHR (Personal Health Records) system for children and youth in foster care is complete. There will be a shorter version available on the website
 - Article in Politico on parents’ resistance to data mining, particularly with respect to educational data, is a reminder that we need to be thinking about how we frame data sharing/data linkage
 - <http://www.politico.com/story/2014/06/internet-data-mining-children-107461.html>
 - Larry Bolton: conversations with county councils, AOC (Administrative Office of the Courts, and CDSS are happening to revalidate data exchange agreements and submit them to OSI (Office of Systems Integration)
 - Stewards of Change recently convened workgroups on data sharing/integration – results/recommendations of these efforts will be disseminated soon
 - L.A. Data 2.0 conference is happening today focusing on open data for addressing/improving health – proceedings will be posted
 - CDPH (California Department of Public Health) has launched an open data website focusing on building health community through data sharing
 - New federal performance measures (Child and Family Service Reviews 3) were released on the federal register for public comment. 30 day period has passed and it is expected the final rule should be coming out fairly soon (since there was a tight timeline for implementation).
 - On May 22, Part 2 of the Invisible Achievement Gap (focusing on the experiences that impact educational outcomes among foster youth). Laurie Kappe reported that as a result of the convening for the report and the data

generated from both reports, Los Angeles is reforming the approach to dealing with education for children in care (increasing dedicated staff from 2 to 80)

- <http://www.stuartfoundation.org/NewsAndReports/ReportsAndResearch/2014/05/22/invisible-achievement-gap-report-part-2>

- Potential presentations for September meeting
 - Presentation slotted for today (Teri Kook & Michelle Francois-Traiman from the Stuart Foundation – see below) is rescheduled for our next meeting
 - Emily Putnam Hornstein (Children’s Data Network, School of Social Work/University of Southern California, California Child Welfare Indicators Project/UC Berkeley) on the recent linkages of medical records to birth and child welfare records
 - Kevin Gaines (or designated staff) will provide a brief report from the committee examining data linkage needs for implementing Katie A.
 - Mark Courtney: CalYouth (AB12) study updates
 - Code for America work in San Francisco to address the problem with CalFresh and people being dropped/reapplying for services – Bridgette Lery will follow up

IV. Presentation – Birth to Age 5 Birth Records—CWS/CMS County Level Reports – Emily Putnam-Hornstein, Children’s Data Network, School of Social Work/University of Southern California, California Child Welfare Indicators Project/UC Berkeley

- Provided updates from the Children’s Data Network
 - Developed a report on HIPAA and working with administrative records (posted on CWC website)
 - Conrad N. Hilton Foundation is a new funding partner. This funding will support research on transitional age youth. The first year is targeted for building infrastructure and the second and third years will fund a post doctoral scholar
 - New animation can help to explain (in lay terms) record linkages:
 - <http://www.datanetwork.org/about-us/>
 - New project for Orange County links prevention service data from the Maternal and Child Health Network to birth records and child welfare records to assess whether or not these services are being provided to the infants at highest risk as well as if they have any impact on the likelihood of being reported for maltreatment
- Birth to Age 5 Birth Records—CWS/CMS County Level Reports (see posted report)
 - California report will be released within the next couple of weeks
 - Full reports (modeled on the state report) available for 38-40 counties

V. Presentation – CDSS and Horizontal Integration – Adam Dondro, Assistant Director for Horizontal Integration, California Department of Social Services

- See posted presentation

VI. Presentation – Local Education Data Sharing Efforts – Teri Kook, Senior Director of Child Welfare, Stuart Foundation & Michelle Francois-Traiman, Associate Director of Child Welfare, Stuart Foundation

- Rescheduled for September meeting

VII. Adjournment – 3:00 p.m.