# Attendees

**Goal of the Grant:** to improve behavioral health outcomes for children and youth (birth through age 21) who meet criteria for SED and their families and who have child welfare involvement. For this project, child welfare-involved families are those for whom a child abuse and/or neglect investigation results in a substantiation or services-needed finding.

**Purpose of the GMIT:** interagency team responsible for management of the grant, oversight of state and local implementation activities, and ongoing communication with the system of care governing bodies.

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|  | Amanda Metcalf |  | Jenny Thornhill |  | Mary Carpenter |  | Dr. Kniffley |
|  | Barb Greene |  | Jessica Ware |  | Michelle Niehaus |  | James Geralds |
|  | Chris Cordell |  | John Broadus |  | Maxine Reid |  | Todd Stetler |
|  | Beth Jordan |  | Josh Swetnam |  | Melinda Vise |  | Ian Shepard |
|  | Carmilla Ratliff |  | Kenneth Fletcher |  | Micah Blevins |  |  |
|  | Carol Cecil |  | Katie Kirkland |  | Michelle Sawyers |  |  |
|  | Clarissa Allen |  | Katy Mullins |  | Randa Bush |  |  |
|  | Dakota Simmons |  | Kelli Root |  | Sherri Staley |  |  |
|  | David Lohr |  | Kelly Bradshaw |  | Tammi Taylor |  |  |
|  | Dee Dee Ward |  | Kelly Dorman |  | Tracy DeSimone |  |  |
|  | Dyzz Cooper |  | Leslie Hughes Burgess |  | Tevis Duncan |  |  |
|  | Jennifer Warren |  | Lizzie Minton |  | Vestena Robbins |  |  |

= Present  = Absent

# Welcome and Introductions

Project Director Dee Dee Ward welcomed new members; the team introduced themselves and how they support the project.

# Youth Racial Trauma Update – Dr. Steven Kniffley, Director, Collective Care Center[[1]](#footnote-2)

Spalding Collective Care Center Offers a safe place for those facing race-based stress and trauma. A partnership with Dr. Kniffley was formed in August 2021 to conduct a Racial Trauma Overview Training as well as a Youth Racial Trauma Assessment Training for community mental health agencies. The overview training reached 244 participants.

**Racial Trauma and BIPOC[[2]](#footnote-3) Youth Overview (Training Results)**

* 88% reported being more knowledgeable about the concept of racial identity development
* 92% reported being more knowledgeable about the concept of race-based stress and trauma
* 85% reported being more knowledgeable about the measures to assess the impact of race-based stress and trauma
* 84% reported being more knowledgeable about the steps needed to process the experience of racial trauma with clients
* 91% reported being more knowledgeable about impact of microaggressions on the experience of racial trauma 81 individuals participated in the Youth Racial Trauma Assessment Training

**Assessing Race-based Stress and Trauma in BIPOC Youth (Training Results)**

* 78% reported being more knowledgeable about the difference between PTSD and racial trauma
* 86% reported being more knowledgeable about the areas assessed during youth racial trauma assessment
* 92% reported being more knowledgeable about the assessment of the impact of discrimination in BIPOC youth
* 88% reported being more knowledgeable about the assessment of internalized racism in BIPOC youth.

**Kniffley Youth Racial Trauma Therapy (ages 6-12)**

* Evidence based model for the assessment and treatment of race-based stress and trauma in BIPOC youth
* Focuses on awareness, advocacy, and affirmation
* 16 sessions
* Manual including racial trauma assessment tools, coping skills development activities, practical skill set for navigating discriminatory experiences, racial trauma processing workbook and racial socialization training for caregivers

Through his partnership with SOC FIVE, Dr. Kniffley also developed youth and racial trauma therapy assessment protocols as well as a research study to evaluate the effectiveness of the training and protocol.

* Youth discrimination scale exploratory and confirmatory analysis indicated reliability (.97) suggesting that the scale is a good measure of the impact of discrimination and race-based traumatic stress for BIPOC youth ages 6-12,
* Supporting 8 dissertations, 2 research assistants
* Partnering with University of Louisville
* Looking to implement racial trauma protocol for school system
* New partnership formed with the state of Connecticut

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Continue to share Dr. Kniffley’s All Continuous

Therapy model across the state

as well as outside the state.

# Overview of AOC’s State Racial Data – Todd Stetler & Ian Shepard

Todd and Ian shared a presentation on behalf of the Administrative Office of the Courts titled *‘Statewide Performance Measures Calendar Year 2021’*  A publicly available version of this presentation is available on the AOC website: <https://kycourts.gov/Court-Programs/Family-and-Juvenile-Services/Pages/Performance-Measures.aspx>

The presentation included statewide data by month of 2021 at each point of contact with youth involved in the juvenile justice system and explored disparities at each of those points. At the system’s harshest contact point (Youthful Offender: juveniles tried and sentenced as adults), the population minority (black, 11%), becomes the majority (61% of Youthful Offenders).

* Increase in the number of filing of complaints when schools reopened in Fall 2021
* Noted increase in public offenses[[3]](#footnote-4) from 2020-2021
* Racial trends regarding complaints filed are consistent from 2016-2021
* Truancy is still the primary driver of status offenses, however a decrease can be seen each type of status complaint
* While all charge classes have decreased, nonfelonies have seen the greatest decrease
* Possession of Marijuana is the most common public offense followed by Assault 4th & Disorderly Conduct 2nd
* Significant decrease from 2019-2020 in school offenses, however there was an Increase in school offenses in 2021
* Black youth are detained at intake at a rate three times higher than their representation in the population
* The rate of county attorney overrides increased five percentage points from 2020-2021
* FAIR Referrals increased somewhat in 2021, high needs are still the primary driver of referrals

**Discussion**

* Can this data be presented regionally?
  + Yes, please allow at least 3 weeks’ notice to prepare regional data
* Is there a general lack of services causing issues; is there any statewide trends that indicate this?
  + No statewide trend: service arrays vary by region
* Disparity work is ongoing at the Administrative Office of the Courts, particularly with 10 counties with the highest disparity rates. These counties meet monthly. One significant change, was calling to schedule with families rather than assigning them a scheduled time, resulting in a significant decrease in the number of Failure to Appear charges.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Regional Implementation Specialists SOC FIVE Implementation Specialists Ongoing

consider regional presentations

# Housekeeping

* New CQI Dashboard displays SOC FIVE CQI up to date metrics. Metrics will be updated monthly. The dashboard can be accessed here: [**https://hdievaluationunit.clicdata.com/b/uDY9pnain9VA**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/hdievaluationunit.clicdata.com/b/uDY9pnain9VA__;!!Db6frn15oIvDD3UI!haEggBYgkb9YW8vMDkQRze55BrDQbDxLqGcbFE4_Tv5VLLLvARHeZAiRlww6_f8s08w-QQxAZcUwQ7bfqMG74IJJ6YYT$)
* Review of last year’s SIAC Policy Recommendations; Mary Carpenter is working on updating the recommendation to incorporate subcommittee work
* Update: Proposal to change grant’s population of focus
  + after careful deliberation in focused meetings, it’s been determined that changing the population of focus is not a viable option at this time.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

n/a

# Agency Updates

DBHDID

* New Department in DBHDID – Dept. of Substance Abuse Disorder – Director is Dr. Brittany Allen. Dept of Mental Health Director is Dr. Patti Clark and Asst. Director is Phyllis Millspaugh.
* SOC Academy is transforming to a learning series. Presentations will be offered for free and all virtual. (RIAC learning series is still occurring & available)

KPFC

* Starting virtual Leadership Academy with juveniles in Youth Development Centers
* Attending the National Federation of Families Conference (occurring November 3-5th in Oklahoma City)
* Youth Cafés are occurring, hoping to increase participation-- please share info with others
* Looking at supporting RIACs better and helping them relate to their families
* Helping with regional youth council

DMS

* One pager and FAQs on telehealth will be sent out, it includes information about telehealth continuing beyond the pandemic

DCBS

* n/a

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* Maintaining the SOC FIVE Service Map. We will start reaching out to BHPs for our 2nd round of quarterly maintenance at the beginning of October.
* Preparing a presentation for the SOC Academy Learning series with KPFC.​
* Working on a dashboard that compares baseline NOMs demographic data against KDE data for the overall SOC FIVE geographic catchment area. The purpose is to ensure the grant is serving representative portions of the focus population. For next steps, we are continuing our investigation on racial disparity between baselines and reassessments. ​​
* Thank you to everyone who has utilized our new SOC Member Requests Form.​​
* Developed a request form for SOC FIVE members to submit requests for work from our Evaluation Team.​​This will help us set timeline and priorities. ​​[Here is a link to the form](https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/b4ac3ab37aff477695cfcd5571ac1b56)​
  + We ask that people use this form to submit requests such as meeting attendance, help with a product (survey, website, etc.), a formative data table or visual for a meeting, or a report.​

AOC

* n/a

## Action Items

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n/a

**Next Meeting:** October 14, 2022, 2022,via Zoom: [State GMIT Meeting](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82154195143?pwd=anYrVjlJRXQ4ejgxaDRYeDFCQ0IrUT09)

**Notes:** [Kentucky System of Care V – Improving Outcomes for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Mental Health Challenges and their Families (hdiuky.net)](https://socv.hdiuky.net/)

1. Presentation slides will be shared via email [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. BIPOC= Black, Indigenous, People of Color [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Public offenses are those which apply to adults as well as children, while a status offenses is anoncriminal act that is considered a law violation only because of a youth's status as a minor.  [↑](#footnote-ref-4)