**Lakes Regional GMIT Meeting**

**(Grant Management & Implementation Team)**

**March 21, 2023 @ 1:30 PM CST via Zoom**

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|  **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. |
| Attendees |
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| **SOC FIVE Staff** | **DCBS** | **Four Rivers Behavioral Health** |
| Tammi Taylor, Lakes Implementation Specialist | Renee Buckingham, SRA | Wendy Lay, Children’s Services Director |
| Dee Dee Ward, DBHDID Project Director, SOC FIVE | Janet Doyel, SRCA (East) | **Pennyroyal Center** |
| Kelly Dorman, Salt River Trail Implementation Specialist | Jennifer Harrell, SRAA (East) | Rachael Howard |
| Maxine Reid, Cumberland Implementation Specialist | Lauren Patterson, SRCA (West) | Michael Daniel, Children’s Services Director |
| Kelly Bradshaw, Two Rivers Implementation Specialist | Susan Rudd, CPS Specialist, (East) | Tameika Johnson, Prevention |
| **Kentucky Partnership for Families & Children (KPFC)** | Jennifer Polo, CPS Specialist (West) | Sabrina Davis**, (Community Collaboration for Children, PAC)** |
| Amanda Metcalf, Family Leadership Coordinator | **UK HDI SOC FIVE****Evaluation Team** | Renee Messchaert, **Vocational Rehabilitation** |
| Kayla Harmon, Peer Support Specialist | Jessica Ware, Data Specialist | Crystal Palmisano-Dillard, Murray State University **(Voices of the Commonwealth)** |
| Dyzz Cooper, Youth Leadership Coordinator | Katie Kirkland, Evaluation Analyst | Tamarsha Beckham, **(Pennyroyal RIAC Chair/parent rep)** |
| Ashley Randall**, Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP)** |  | Tamarsha Beckham, **(Pennyroyal RIAC Chair/parent rep)** |

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| Youth Advocate Program (YAP), Ashley Randall |
| YAP is a high impact social justice nonprofit that provides community-based alternatives to youth incarceration, congregate placements, and neighborhood violence.* Primarily a Juvenile Justice intervention looking to expand into prevention with child welfare involved youth
* Mentoring and group mentoring (try to match advocate with youth)
* Program can start while youth is in placement
* Strength based approach
* Factors in strengths within the community
* Families are the experts on their lives and integral team members
* 100% of programming occurs in the home communities of people we serve
* Staff develop individualized service plans for youth and their families that span assessment tools including: Life domain chart, strengths, interest inventories, caregiver survey and a safety assessment.
* Currently offered in several counties of the state-have expanded services to Paducah and will be offering services in Hopkinsville soon.

**Target population** * Young people at risk of or in out of home placement (detention, foster care, mental health placement,) ages 11-17 and transitioning youth who have been receiving support
* Outcome data was shared indicating positive outcomes with youth involved in YAP
* Certified in the Violence Intervention/Interruption trainings from Baltimore

**Child welfare**The goal is to minimize need for placement and expedite permanency. YAP is taking referrals from DCBS staff; however, it is for dually committed, status or truancy (basically if the youth has some type of court involvement other than just custody). **Behavioral Health** Outpatient service, in-home and school-based services, intensive outpatient /day treatmentYouth Empowerment Services (YES waiver)**Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities**Early Intervention Services, Traumatic Brain injury, Intellectual Disability**School based services**Truancy intervention**Other areas of programing** Violence reduction, compensatory education, violence Interrupters, anger management curriculum, leadership skills, life skills, strengthening families, Girls Circle (sexually acting out or sexual trauma)YAP is also creating economic opportunities through Tom Jeffers Endowment Fund for continuing education ($1,000 scholarship fund), supported work (YAP temp agency to provide employment for 90 days through YAP)& YAP Worx (job readiness program)**Discussion****Can DCBS make referrals?** if the child is court involved (with status charges or in juvenile court) YAP is contracted to address those clients. **What can you offer in Paducah and Hopkinsville?** Anger management curriculum (also leadership skills); 10-week curriculum; individual and group setting, Life skills and Strengthening Families curriculum. Also, have Girls Circle and Boys Council which can address trafficking, sexual acting out/trauma. **Do you offer independent living?** Do not currently have independent living programs facilities; however, provides curriculum helps with skills needed to live independently.**How is program funded?** This program is funded through DJJ as prevention effort to keep youth from becoming court involved. Had OJJDP Funding for a while, some small grants have supported the program in the past; always looking for funding/partnering opportunities.  |
| Action Items | Person Responsible | Deadline |
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| SOC FIVE Continuous Quality Improvement Data, Katie Kirkland, UK HDI |
| Katie (UK HDI) showed January 2023 data from the CQI dashboard, which is available for all to access on the SOC FIVE website on the homepage direct link: <https://hdievaluationunit.clicdata.com/b/uDY9pnain9VA>).

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| Lakes DCBS | Jan 2023 | Percentages |
| DCBS Screeners Offered | 31 |  |
| DCBS Screeners Completed | 31 | 100% |
| Screened in for CANS | 14 | 45% |
| Referred for CANS Assessment | 1 | 7% |

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| Four Rivers Behavioral Health | Jan 2023 | Percentages |
| Initial CANS Completed | 0 |  |
| Baseline NOMs Completed | 0 | n/a |

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| Pennyroyal Center | Jan 2023 | Percentages |
| Initial CANS Completed | 4\* |  |
| Baseline NOMs Completed | 3 | 75% |

**Still having trouble getting releases from workers. Any Ideas?**It’s good to see numbers of screeners increase, but without signatures clients cannot start services. Members commented that the best time to get a release signed is during the screener. Lakes DCBS explained that right now, the region is short staffed. Staff are also used to signing releases for youth in out of home care, so staff tend to forget to have parents sign them. Other team members suggested that it might be helpful to keep reminding staff in management and staff meetings.\*Based on touch base discussions, there will be an update to Pennyroyal data.  |
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| Community Collaboration, RGMIT  |
| Members were offered time to share and brainstorm any current constraints assisting clients. **Kayla asked about Grief Counseling Services*** Pennyroyal offers services and services are available through the school in Todd County if the services are for the child; the team connected Kayla to contacts to help her client.

**Visit the SOC FIVE Service Map** @ <https://socv.hdiuky.net/> to see other available services in your area from the SOC FIVE services through the community health centers and KPFC.  |
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| Agency Updates  |
| **DCBS (Renee Buckingham)*** One big issue they are dealing with is difficult to place children/youth
* Each region is looking to hire a high acuity specialist to track pending discharge from hospitals and prevent emergency placements/kids staying in DCBS offices/hotels when discharged from hospitals
* DCBS collaborated with a partner through Joy’s Closet, who purchased a home (Hope House) that DCBS staff can utilize for children who would otherwise stay overnight in DCBS offices or a hotel room with DCBS staff. An MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) is being drafted to finalize this resource.
* Lakes region’s registries are brimming with applicant and looking forward to filling vacancies within the region.

**Four Rivers*** Shortage of therapists and high need clients pose challenges for staff
* Having internal trauma training with Paris Goodyear Brown for staff needing EBP

**Pennyroyal** * Critical issue stress management Training for staff coming up; these trainings are for responding to natural disasters and clients in crisis.

**KPFC*** Amanda Metcalf is facilitating a statewide Nurturing Parenting series;the program started yesterday, these virtual classes will be held on Monday nights.
* Annual Parent and Youth Conference for families and transitional age youth (13-26), KPFC will pay for food and lodging, the cost is $25 June 16-18th
* RIAC Parent and Youth Rep monthly meetings starting up again, next one is April 6th at 6 p.m.
* Joint leadership meetings for peer support and RIAC/GMIT youth and parent reps. Offered in the Spring and the Fall.
* Youth Café (Virtual) April 6th
* First Friday webinars are also offered on the first Friday of the month
* **Please see the full schedule of events on the website** [**https://kypartnership.org/**](https://kypartnership.org/)

**SOC FIVE*** Partner Funding Opportunity is Due March 31st (Maxine Reid)—Tammi distributed the e-mail with funding opportunity. Please let Tammi know if you need her to resend.
* Brief discussion of new Systems of Care grant being applied for: SOC SIX (Services & Infrastructure Expansion (Dee Dee)
	+ DCBS and Justice Involved youth focused; funds for infrastructure, workforce training, initiating with community-based programs
	+ Application was just submitted today! If rewarded will be statewide
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| N/A |  |   |

**NEXT MEETING**: **April 18, 2023 @ 1:30-3:30 CST p.m. via ZOOM format**.

**Notes can be found on the SOC Website**: [(hdiuky.net)](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__socv.hdiuky.net_&d=DwMF-g&c=jvUANN7rYqzaQJvTqI-69lgi41yDEZ3CXTgIEaHlx7c&r=vvdmQRqAiuDcGaPiU7F_XLazHk28PX23BPOJTCMBmeg&m=fH4FapPknOPJXNWyToXVHIflnd3tAQ4AMBaUAshD2-U&s=1GgSvgR-o0dUEsMiwWTPb7MdQFGknVmua3SCSqCSlcY&e=)