# 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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|  | Chris Elmore |  | Abigail Freeman |  | Chris Bentonwhite |
|  | Jessica Humphrey |  | Robin Gregory |  | Anne Embry |
|  | Dyzz Cooper |  | Shelly Perdue |  | Dee Dee Ward |
|  | Brooke Arnold |  | Katie Kirkland |  | Tammi Taylor |
|  | Gayla Lockhart |  | Jessica Ware |  | Kelly Dorman |
|  | Kelly Minton |  | Felicia McKisic |  | Kelly Bradshaw |
|  | Micah Blelvins |  | Katie Hopper |  | Maxine Reid |
|  | Anita Mattingly |  | Leslie Bentley |  | Amanda Metcalf |
|  | Kayla Harmon |  | Carmilla Ratliff |  | Lizzie Minton |
|  | Amy Hutchinson |  | Kevin Garvin |  | Joy Varney |
|  | Mary Kay Lamb |  | Kenneth Fletcher |  | Melanie Ashworth |
|  | Kristal Bentley |  | Amy Beddow |  | Whitley O’Daniel |
|  |  |  | Austin Walls |  | Valerie Frost |

= Present  = Absent

**Housekeeping:**

If you have an SOC FIVE applicable presentation or new resource, then Two Rivers RGMIT welcomes you to present in an effort to spread the word/network. Please reach out to Kelly Bradshaw and she will get you on the agenda.

1. Agency Updates

The group introduced themselves and shared updates about their agencies, projects and/or upcoming trainings.

**SOC FIVE** (Dee Dee Ward)

* State GMIT will be next Friday, May 12th please feel free to let Dee Dee know and she will send you a link for the meeting
* DBHDID applied for the next System of Care grant, SOC SIX (**S**ervices, **I**nfrastructure E**x**pansion). The new grant (if awarded) will include DCBS population (including out of home care), AOC and DJJ involved youth. DBHDID should find out in August if they have been awarded.
  + Maxine Reid stated that all award letters for SOC FIVE Partner Funding have gone out; some may not have received the full amount requested due to the large number of applicants and limits of budget. If an agency does not accept the award, another agency will be awarded. All applicants will be notified once awards have been accepted.

**River Valley Behavioral Health**

* Melanie A. is leading visioning sessions for the region.
* The agency is focusing on making sure clients know about Medicaid ‘unwinding’.
* Awarded partner funding
* Hired a new case manager and continuing to fill vacancies

**DCBS**

* Whitley O’Daniel transferred to protection specialist role. Whitley reported that DCBS has many changes coming related to: approach to working investigations, as well as working with families and children as a whole. The work is moving upstream to become more prevention focused—more to come on Upstreaming.
* Staffing for the region has improved. Barren County now has 17 workers with only one vacancy.
* Looking to integrate alternate response soon
* Implementation of the latest structured decision-making process is ongoing

**Lifeskills**

* Currently working on therapeutic summer programs for kids in Warren, Edmonson and Barren County which will include SOC FIVE youth and other youth with therapeutic needs in those counties.

**Uspiritus**

* Hired two new case managers in April, possibly hiring one or two more by the end of the fiscal year.
* Home Builders program consultants conducted a site-visit/audit last week and gave positive feedback.
  + Uspiritus is one of few ‘Home builders’ sites receiving referrals in the state right now.
    - Kudos to the Two Rivers DCBS team for making those referrals.

**KPFC**

* Two new referrals received in the region
* Youth Parent Conference is scheduled for June 16-18th
* Children’s Mental Health Acceptance Day is on May 11th
* Statewide Nurturing Parenting Program is still occurring on Monday nights from 7-8 p.m.
* CCT Training to become a certified Peer Support Specialist will be held June 15th- 19th Please see upcoming trainings and events on the KPFC website for more information. <https://kypartnership.org/events/>
* First Friday webinars are free virtual webinars occurring on the first Friday of the month, this month, (May 5th) will be on ‘Fostering Bio-family Connections’. This has been approved by DCBS for Foster Care Training hours.

**UK HDI**

* Grant Quarterly Report was recently submitted to SAMSHA
* Updated the Disparities Dashboard/presenting that next week at SGMIT
* Working on the KPFC Quarterly Report, which will also be reported next week at SGMIT and upcoming RGMIT meetings.

# Data Team & Evaluation, UK HDI Team

# **CQI data, Katie Kirkland, UK HDI**

Katie K. presented CQI (Continuous Quality Improvement) data for March and thanked everyone for reporting data monthly. A request for April data will be sent out today. Katie used the new CQI Dashboard. There is a link to it on the main page of the SOC FIVE website. Here is a direct link: <https://hdievaluationunit.clicdata.com/b/uDY9pnain9VA>

**DCBS Data (March 2023)**

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| CQI Metric | Two Rivers  March |
| DCBS - Screeners Offered | 17 |
| DCBS – Screeners Completed | 16 |
| DCBS – Screened in for CANS | 9 |
| DCBS – Referrals for CANS Assessment | 3 |

**Provider Data (March 2023)**

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| CQI Metric | Lifeskills  March | River Valley March | Uspiritus  March |
| Initial CANS Assessments | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Baseline NOMs | 3 | 0 | 0 |

Katie Hopper thanked Katie K. for her patience with questions related to the NOMs. Katie K. clarified that NOMs is short for National Outcome Measures; this is the interview tool SAMSHA uses to measure outcomes for the grant.

* SOC FIVE goal is 360 total NOMs and we have completed 298 to date.
* Please reach out to Katie with any questions related to NOMs/data reporting. [Katie.kirkland@uky.edu](mailto:Katie.kirkland@uky.edu)

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

N/A

# Barriers to Services for Families

Tammi offered time for the team to talk through any barriers experienced with referrals/screenings/ or issues identifying specific services for families.

* No one offered any barriers to discuss, however; Tammi encouraged the team to reach out to the group with any needs.
* Tammi also encouraged the team to bring to the GMIT any family/youth that partners are struggling with and just want to brainstorm resources/ideas. She reminded this can be done via e-mail as well.
* Katie Hopper shared that she recently worked with an outstanding DCBS worker who attended team meetings and worked well with the family. Kudos will be passed on to supervisory staff.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please share any barriers f/families RGMIT ongoing

4. Racial Equity Change Team (RECT)

* Tammi provided an overview of the RECT and invited members to join if interested.
* Meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month from 12 PM to 1:15 PM CT (next meeting May 31st); please reach out to Tammi with any questions. [tammi.taylor@ky.gov](mailto:tammi.taylor@ky.gov)
  + Ideas for presentations, panels or discussions were encouraged.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

N/A

# Family and Youth Involvement

**Any events/trainings we can invite our youth/parent reps to?**

* Katie Hopper shared that Lifeskills was selected as a pilot site for LEAD KY and explained that they have been able to get families connected to that and making great progress with that work.

**Other members shared more about LEAD KY: Lived Experience Authentically Driven in Kentucky**

* LEAD Kentucky has been around for almost two years and was charged by SIAC (**S**tate **I**nter**a**gency **C**ouncil), with the purpose of assisting state agencies and agencies involved in Kentucky System of Care to become more family and youth driven.
* If you know of a family or a youth that meets criteria for regional and/or agency council or state agency council or you would like to be a part of LEAD Kentucky, let the SOC FIVE team know and we can connect you to Carol Cecil (KPFC).
* The goal is to have at least 50% of the membership be a family or a youth with lived experience.
  + - Members commented that it would be great to learn more about LEAD KY through a presentation to RGMIT and to share a brochure/flyer about the initiative.

**\*RIAC SOC FIVE Summary Request**

* Barren River/Green River – Please submit a brief summary to Kelly of what your RIAC is doing for the $5,000 SOC FIVE funds byJuly 15th.

# Next Meeting: **June 5, 2023** @ 9am CST ZOOM format

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