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

= Present  = Absent

**Housekeeping/Reminders**

* **Three-word summary:** Please take the time to consider your lessons learned, opportunities gained, and families served due to SOC FIVE. Submit these ideas via email with the subject line “SOC FIVE three words”. These will be anonymously used for a later date when we all come together.
* **Partner Funding submissions** ended March 31, 2023; you will be notified shortly after submissions have been reviewed/accepted/declined.
* **Presentations:** If you have an SOC FIVE applicable presentation- Two Rivers RGMIT welcomes you to present in an to spread the word/network.

1. Regional Prevention Collaborative, Valerie Frost

The collaborative started last summer with visioning sessions to get everyone to the table for discussion about what should be community work rather than DCBS work. Team members reviewed DCBS and court case data to look at the source of DCBS involvement for the region. The team examined universal supports like childcare for example and held discussions about how we can meet family’s needs early on. From those conversations, team members developed an action plan. Last year was focused on action plan development, this year we are moving into implementation and communication; letting others know about this work.

**Two Rivers plan**

<https://kyyouth.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Two-Rivers-Region_Action-Plan.pdf>

* Prevention Strategy 1: Reduce Truancy and/or educational neglect
* Prevention Strategy 2: Increase the numbers of family caregivers accessing resources
* Prevention Strategy 3: Strengthen community partnerships and resource sharing by connecting all relevant stakeholders

**Action tracker**This is a living document where things can be added or modified as needed.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Jn-AkD_P5jRdrbrsaHb_646t-jFe4qd2-xQhf-xCrvQ/edit?usp=sharing>

Examples of things that have come up:

* PEM [Other regions have implemented the **Parental Engagement Meeting Model\*** which has been successful as an alternative response to educational neglect.]
* Options for funding from state.
* Coordination with FAIR teams, judges
* Increase outreach with schools

**\*Members shared more information on PEM in the chat:**

[January 2022 the program was expanded to 11 additional counties and is currently in approximately 97 schools statewide. Through the PEM program, families, school officials, and community partners work together and develop a plan to resolve issues existing within a family and better prepare the parent(s) or caregiver(s) with skills and/or resources to ensure children attend school. Referrals come from the local school systems. Referrals target children ages 5-11 at risk of educational neglect. A referral for a PEM is made prior to child welfare involvement. All PEMs utilize a strength-based approach, the is given an opportunity to share barriers and challenges in getting their children to school. During the PEM, action plans are developed, and referrals are made to community partners to assist with any supports families may need. Follow-up contacts are completed with each family to evaluate their progress of their plan and make additional referrals as needed. All data by the PEM providers is compiled into the state database. Funding is provided by a federal grant, Community Based Child Abuse Prevention. Annual reports are provided to the federal Children’s Bureau and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. **This past school year the program served a total of 579 families and 751 children and 85% were diverted from any involvement with child welfare as a result of the PEMs.**]

**Discussion**

It was suggested that getting FRYSC involved in the action planning would be helpful. Melanie, LRC, shared that they have had a hard time aligning schedules with FRYSC to get them involved with the RIAC. Other members commented that in rural areas, the FRYSC often cover middle and high schools, so they tend to have limited availability to attend meetings.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please share the information with others RGMIT members Ongoing

# SOC FIVE Disparities Dashboard, Katie Kirkland, UK HDI

UK HDI created a NOMS Disparities Dashboard to better understand how clients are engaged in services across racial and ethnic groups.

* This Dashboard measures demographic disparities by comparing NOMs data at baseline to population estimates within the overall SOC FIVE geographic catchment area.
* It contains data on NOMs through January 23, 2023. At that time, we had 267 baseline NOMs entered.
* Data presented are for All Regions.

Note: NOMs stands for “National Outcome Measures.” The SOC FIVE grant’s funder Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) requires that providers collect data from (or about) each client who receives grant-funded services. Grantees collect these data from individual clients using the NOMs tool. NOMs are collected on clients at Baseline, 6-month Reassessment, and Discharge.

Here is the link to the dashboard located on the SOC FIVE internal website: <https://lookerstudio.google.com/reporting/9801c1ea-fb03-4f34-88f2-9726da0cc82f/page/p_bph06l1hvc>

## **Katie provided an overview of the different pages of the Dashboard**

## The White (Non-Hispanic) group makes up about 78% of baseline NOMs.

## The White (Non-Hispanic) group is over-represented in the group who was eligible for a 6-month re-assessment and received one (at 83%).

* The White (Non-Hispanic) group is under-represented in the group who was discharged before being eligible for a 6-month reassessment (at 62%). This means that non-White (non-Hispanic) groups are overrepresented among children/youth who were discharged before being eligible for their 6-month reassessment.
* Among those being discharged, White (Non-Hispanic) participants are discharged most frequently out of mutual agreement, whereas those not identifying as White (Non-Hispanic) are most frequently discharged for other reasons.

**Summary**

Overall, with NOMs data for All Regions, we are seeing racial and ethnicity disparities in who is engaged and continuing treatment however further discussion is needed. We are discussing with providers in monthly touch base calls and asking them to take the SOC FIVE Disparities Dashboard back to their own agencies, explore and get feedback from staff. We are also trying to better understand the context around “other” discharges by adding a question to the survey tool: “Please explain the context around the discharge status.”

**Discussion**

*When will this data be updated?*

The UK HDI team plans to update the data by May for a quarterly update to the Grant Management Implementation Team.

*What does ‘other’ mean?*

When discharging a client, ‘Other' can be selected by a provider if the situation/reason for discharging the client doesn’t meet any of the other selection options.

*If client SOC status changes—how to we discharge them?*

**If they were in the population of focus at baseline, please do not discharge them from the NOMs if they are still being provided services.**

*Can we get copies of the data sheets?*

The data is available on the SOC FIVE website for review. Please reach out to Katie with any further questions regarding the data.

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# CQI Data & Evaluation, UKHI Team

Katie K. presented CQI (Continuous Quality Improvement) data for February and thanked everyone for recently reporting data. She noted that she emailed requests for March data. 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 (Feb 2023)**

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| CQI Metric | Two Rivers  Feb. |
| DCBS - Screeners Offered | 13 |
| DCBS – Screeners Completed | 13 |
| DCBS – Screened in for CANS | 7 |
| DCBS – Referrals for CANS Assessment | 7 |

**Provider Data (Feb 2023)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| CQI Metric | LifeSkills  Dec | River Valley Dec | Uspiritus  Dec |
| Initial CANS Assessments | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Baseline NOMs | 2 | 0 | 0 |

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

N/A

# Barriers to Services for Families

Katie H. (Lifeskills) shared that they are *having a hard time getting a hold of families after referral. Would DCBS like us to update them when we are having difficulty reaching families?*

* Whitley (DCBS) confirmed that she would be willing to facilitate communication for providers with DCBS workers to be able to assist with contacting/following up with families.

*If the family struggles with transportation and scheduling [to allow their child to receive the CANs], is there an option for telehealth or doing assessments remotely?*

* (Lifeskills) Intake paperwork has to be completed first which can be mailed, and they can be scheduled as telehealth. Some providers start meeting with clients as early at 7:00 a.m. and have more flexibility to meet family’s needs. Uspiritus also confirmed that they offer remote services for clients referred to them. Kelly B. will reach out to River Valley.

*The Spanish speaking community can be difficult to engage (possibly out of fear or potential misunderstandings). Any ideas to better engage?*

* Kelly suggested reaching out to Dr. Wanda Figueroa (President & CEO at River Valley Behavioral Health), who specializes in engagement with Spanish speaking communities; [River Valley] may have knowledge of support groups/translation services as well. Kelly will reach out and update the team with any information.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

DCBS will facilitate communication Whitley O./Providers ongoing

w/ SOC FIVE providers

Kelly will follow up with Dr. Figueroa Kelly B. April 30, 2023

As well as River Valley

4. End-of-Year Wrap-up Review Event

Any assistance in planning is welcome. Ideas for location, agenda items, “reward” ideas, etc., please reach out via email and we can plan a separate time/date to plan.

* Kelly is hoping to team up with the LRCs to plan & coordinate the event

Location: Owensboro, KY

* for 5-hour event (no overnight necessary, brunch/lunch provided)

Date: Ideas for absolute ‘No’?

The event has to be paid for by June; but looking at September for the date of the actual event.

Members were asked to reach out to Kelly for further collaboration in planning the event.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please reach out to Kelly w/ any ideas RGMIT ongoing

1. Racial Equity Change Team

Request to share action plan from DCBS Race Equity Team, or simply provide update to RGMIT on where team stands, and if we can be of assistance in action plan accomplishment.

* Whitley O. is on that DCBS team and shared that the core team has been created (approx.14-15 people who meet monthly)
* The team has created Mission & Values statement, but the action plan has not been developed yet.
* Whitley agreed to report out team progress on a monthly basis.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Whitley will provide updates to RGMIT Whitley monthly

1. Family and Youth Involvement

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

* KPFC holds a Joint meeting twice annually. The next one is April 14-16 at Rough River State Park
  + parent and youth reps get the opportunity to network
  + Other events can be found on the KPFC calendar: <https://kypartnership.org/events/>
* Brooke shared that the Child Abuse Prevention Collaborative in the region is holding a training event (Kelly will send out the Flyers)
* An excel spreadsheet listing local activities was shared: [Child Abuse Prevention Month Activities for the region](../Pictures/Child%20Abuse%20Prevention%20Month%20Activities%202023.xlsx)
* Union Co. STAND info: <https://pcaky.org/events/stand-against-child-abuse-2/>

SGMIT presence- if you do not have the SGMIT invite, let me know! You are welcome to attend.

**RIAC SOC FIVE Summary Request (to be used at a later date)**

Please send Kelly a summary of how your RIAC used SOC FIVE funds (by July 1st)

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please share the linked info on events RGMIT April 30, 2023

w/others

Kelly will share a flyer for the Kelly April 30, 2023

Child Abuse Collaborative Training

Create summary of SOC Funds Spent RIAC leadership July 1, 2023

# Agency Updates

**SGMIT/SOC FIVE**

* Agenda next week includes UK HDI sharing statewide Community Needs Assessment Survey findings and we’re going to go over some items for policy recommendations we provide SIAC every year.
* March 31 was cutoff for the last SOC FIVE partner funding opportunity; please follow up with Maxine with any questions related to those applications/awards.

**RIAC**

* (Green River) hosting the ‘Be kind to your mind’ art contest winners will receive a scholarship award. Please help spread the contest information around the region.
* (Barren River) applied for a SOC Care grant partner funds to continue work and look forward to hearing back on their request.

**DCBS**

Positive changes are coming from the department, but we are still in the planning phase; we are also doing better with staffing.

**KPFC**

Starting RIAC parent youth monthly calls [this Thurs. 7-8 p.m. EST]

* Last one was held in Oct. of last year; meetings allow reps to network throughout the state and provide support to each other.

**Uspiritus**

Some positions have been filled, and more positions are being advertised, looking forward to filling more positions.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

N/A

# Next Meeting: **May 1, 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/>