# 1. Welcome and 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 and for whom DCBS does not have custody. The population of focus also includes children and youth who have a planned reunification date within 60 days, as well as post adoptive families who are seeking behavioral health services for youth they have adopted.

**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 |  | Jess Clouser |
|  | Barb Greene |  | Jessica Ware |  | Michelle Niehaus |  | Felicity Krueger |
|  | Chris Cordell |  | John Broadus |  | Maxine Reid |  | Ashley Peercy |
|  | Beth Jordan |  | Josh Swetnam |  | Melinda Vise |  | Natasha Ulrich |
|  | Carmilla Ratliff |  | Kenneth Fletcher |  | Micah Blevins |  | Ayanna Coates-Hendricks |
|  | Carol Cecil |  | Katie Kirkland |  | Michelle Sawyers |  | Jamie Tipton |
|  | Clarissa Allen |  | Katy Mullins |  | Randa Bush |  | Mallory Bateman |
|  | Dakota Simmons |  | Kelli Root |  | Sherri Staley |  | Amanda Body |
|  | David Lohr |  | Kelly Bradshaw |  | Tammi Taylor |  | Danielle Khoury |
|  | Dee Dee Ward |  | Kelly Dorman |  | Tracy DeSimone |  | Ruthie Sizemore |
|  | Dyzz Cooper |  | Leslie Hughes Burgess |  | Tevis Duncan |  | Shellie Mills |
|  | Jennifer Warren |  | Lizzie Minton |  | Vestena Robbins |  | Ciara Jackson |

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# Quarterly Updates, UK HDI Team

**Disparity Dashboard, Jess Clouser, UKHDI**

Jess discussed disparities within reassessment rates of those who enter SOC FIVE services and receive the National Outcome Measures Survey (NOMs). Data from 2nd Quarter 2023 were added to the disparity dashboard as well as regional level data. Updates to the action plan were shared.

* Comparison group (for identifying disparity) was updated using DCBS in-home data to match the population of focus within the catchment area.
  + Demographic distribution is relatively similar from prior reports of baseline NOMs, though some representation has shifted slightly; we are getting fewer baselines with missing data.
* Whites are overrepresented in re-assessment groups compared to those starting services, but this disparity has reduced. Whites made up 89% of Reassessments and 77% of baseline NOMs. Hispanics are more prevalent in 6-month reassessment. Blacks and people of color were overrepresented in discharges before reassessment eligibility.

The action plan includes unpacking "other" discharge status responses with providers on touch-base calls, adding an open-ended question to the NOMs survey, and sharing the disparities dashboard at touch-base calls.

* The CANS-Cultural Factors Domain identifies linguistic or cultural issues for which service providers need to make accommodations, such as providing interpreters, finding therapists who speak the family's primary language, and ensuring children and youth have the opportunity to participate in cultural rituals associated with their cultural identity. Health care disparities are differences in quality, affordability, access, utilization, and outcomes between groups. It is important to remember that race and/or ethnic group membership may be a primary influence on health outcomes.

Next steps include considering the use of CANS, regional/provider-level data, continuing to discuss at quarterly touch-base calls, and discussing other questions or comments.

**KPFC Peer Support, Jessica Ware, UK HDI**

Jessica presented an update of KPFC Peer Support Service utilization and impact surveys through March 2023. The presentation focused on comparing SOC Customers to non-SOC customers served through KPFC. Region of referral, referral source, services provided, and customer satisfaction survey data were all presented.

**Cumulative data**

* 788 total referrals have been made for KPFC peer support from December 2020 to March 2023.
* 390 (49.4%) of referrals included customers in the SOC FIVE population of focus.

**This quarter (January-March 2023)**

* 123 referrals were made for KPFC peer support.
* 68 (55%) of those referrals were in the SOC FIVE population of focus.
* DCBS was the most frequent referral source for SOC FIVE population of focus customers (35); 72.9% of DCBS referrals to KPFC were in the population of focus.
* 94% of referrals received for peer support came from three regions: Cumberland (60%), Salt River Trail (22%), and Northeastern (12%).

**Customer Satisfaction Survey**

KPFC created and implemented their own customer satisfaction survey in 2022. Data from 81 participants showed 95% of participants agreed or strongly agreed that peer support staff gave them hope and 86% reported that peer support helped them achieve their goals. 95% would recommend peer support to others. To make a referral for peer support click the link here: [KPFC referral form](https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/7fed5a48a978493888fdf25eef4278e7) For any questions related to the SOC FIVE KPFC peer support evaluation please reach out. [Jessica.ware@uky.edu](mailto:Jessica.ware@uky.edu)

**Targeted High Needs Services, Dee Dee Ward, SOC FIVE Project Director**

Dee Dee provided an update on the utilization of Targeted High Need Services to date specific to the SOC FIVE population of focus. Totals will be finalized after June.

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| **Mobile Crisis** | | |
|  | Total | Expected |
| 2022 | 88 | 70 |
| 2023 | 93 | 114 |
| **Total** | **181** | **184** |

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| **High Fidelity Wraparound** | | |
|  | Total | Expected |
| 2022 | 32 | 40 |
| 2023 | 38 | 94 |
| **Total** | **70** | **134** |

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| **Intensive in-home** | | |
|  | Total | Expected |
| 2022 | 28 | 104 |
| 2023 | 149 | 169 |
| **Total** | **177** | **273** |

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| **Respite** | | |
|  | Total | Expected |
| 2022 | 13 | 85 |
| 2023 | 28 | 102 |
| **Total** | **41** | **187** |

**Mobile Crisis**: Reached close to anticipated numbers. River Valley exceeded their #s from pop of focus which they credited to utilizing staff from psychiatric hospital.

**High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW):** been hard to hire/retain staff for HFW, so 2023 numbers not as high as expected. One agency currently has no HFW staff.

**Intensive in-home (IIH):** There was a noticeable increase from 2022 to 2023.

**Respite:** Numbers are not close to expected. One agency could not get off ground with services; another struggling; a couple agencies are doing great work.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please share the information SGMIT ongoing

# DCBS Prevention Collaborative Update, Mary Carpenter, DCBS

Mary provided an overview of **Thriving Families, Safer Children** (Joint Initiative and national effort, centering the voice of lived experience with child welfare). The statewide prevention collaborative and the KY statewide Birth Parent Advisory Council are some of the priorities of the initiative.

**KY SEAT (KY Statewide Birth Advisory Council)**

* Voice for parents
* Advocate for equity and resources for families
* Empower parents to feel supported and informed

**Statewide Prevention Collaborative**

* Formal prevention collaborative formed and convened quarterly
* Includes community partners and families with lived experience
* Aligns with other prevention efforts across DCBS
* Community based, family and youth driven
* Council and workgroups are driving the work
  + Coordinating Council is a smaller team to help coordinate the larger collaborative (not oversight but as a way to help keep group work on track).
  + Working on a way to visualize all the workgroups across the state.

# **Community Action Plans for Prevention**

* Visioning sessions held in May-June 2022
* Community led and community driven
* 2023: Phase II implementation
* Kentucky Youth Advocates (KYA) developed a Community Action Plan Toolkit to facilitate outreach, and track goal progress. Community members can get involved by assessing your area for available community protective factors, connecting families to resources and stay informed on statewide prevention efforts.

Mary shared a list of regions matched with leads. Currently, RIACs or GMITs are the prevention collaborative leads. Some successes include coordinated efforts and communication among regions, alignment across initiatives. Data driven discussion and quarterly meetings allow others to share resources and strategies. The initiative is committed to incorporating the voice of lived experience. DCBS strategic plan will continue to support prevention work.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Please share the information w/others GMIT ongoing

# Regional GMIT Update

**Cumberland**

* **Regional Collaborative:** Transportation remains a major barrier for the region. Looking for grants and opportunities to improve transportation in the region.
* **End of year grant review:** **Sept. 14th** (regularly scheduled RGMIT meeting time). Registration will be required. [Please don’t blast share the registration, so we can ensure grant partners are registered first] The region plans to invite those within the faith-based community. The event will showcase what went well within the region while as well as spreading the prevention collaborative work to more partners within the community.

**Two Rivers**

* **Regional Collaborative:** Focusing on parent involvement meetings. School staff turnover is a barrier for consistent collaboration. Working on cohesion among RIACs within the region. The region has lots of “hands on deck.”
* **End of year grant review:** Valarie (KYA) will present. Looking at **Aug 7th or Sept 11th** at the Owensboro Convention Center

**Salt River Trail**

* **Regional Collaborative:** Using a behavioral health framework to help families engage with resources, especially families waiting for an Autism diagnosis with supports and increasing trauma informed care. Also making connections in the region with RIACs. The region will review the prevention plan in July
* **End of year grant review: September 18th (10-2 p.m.)** at Parrot head Conference Center, titled “Families Thrive with SOC FIVE” Intending for this to be an ‘affirmation meeting’ highlighting the work the region did well & workforce resilience. The prevention child abuse collaborative have been invited as a vendor.

**Lakes**

* **Regional Collaborative:** Through the collaborative work, the team realized that the region has resources, however many don’t know about them. Transportation ongoing issue; looking at existing resources. Quarterly meetings occur at RGMIT currently.
* **End of year grant review:** Planning for **August 15th** at The Lyon County Convention Center; will have a morning & afternoon session (9-12p.m.) & (1-3:30) with lunch offered between 12-1. Peter Mutabazi, a motivational speaker will be the keynote speaker. The theme will be “One person can make a difference.” Foster parents are invited and will receive training credits for attendance.

Dee Dee asked all the specialists to create a save the date to share with SGMIT members. **Registration is required for lunch.**

**\*\*July SGMIT will most likely be cancelled due to a conference for SOC FIVE staff.** August & Sept. meeting might be the last meetings for SGMIT. Sept. meeting will be focused on sustainability.

**SGMIT will meet in person for the Sept. 8th SGMIT meeting**

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Look for save the dates by email SGMIT members June-July 2023

# 7. SIAC Policy Recommendations

Dee Dee asked the team if there were any topics from April’s meeting that SGMIT want to pursue a policy recommendation around. Carmilla offered to host a July meeting for SGMIT if the team decides to meet.

**AOC/Upstream**

* Michelle S. (AOC) explained that there is a supreme court order for the commission; the summit will continue with or without SIAC recommendation.

**DNA workgroup**

* No policy recommendations at this time.
* SIAC could become involved with that workgroup but no policy recommendation

**Consent to Treat Statue**

* Any recommendation around this topic should be sent to Tena or Beth for further discussion.

**Threat Assessments**

* Separate bill (SB 150) impacts how parents provide consent. KPFC are incorporating FAQ for parents into their newsletters to inform families.

Members indicated the most relevant topics include **Consent to Treat or Resubmitting the Custody Relinquishment Recommendation**.

* Not limited to one recommendation, if we want to vote on topics in August.
* There is a regulation that impacts Targeted case managers which impacts High Fidelity Wraparound Facilitators. The regulation states that case managers must have one year post grad experience in order to hire a case manager.

## Action Items

Task Description Person Responsible Deadline

Follow up on the Dee Dee July-Aug. 2023

Recommendations discussed today

**TENTATIVE Next Meeting: July 14, 2023**, 10:00am – 12:00pmvia Zoom: [State GMIT Meeting](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82154195143?pwd=anYrVjlJRXQ4ejgxaDRYeDFCQ0IrUT09)

**Reminder:** You can find notes for all GMIT meetings as well as the CQI Dashboards and Interactive Map on the SOC FIVE Website**:** [**https://socv.hdiuky.net/**](https://socv.hdiuky.net/)

Family & Youth Reps complete for meeting time reimbursement: [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Attend\_Meeting**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Attend_Meeting)