



# Clark County Department of Family Services

## Communications Workgroup

Minutes for Friday, 16 September 2016

### Present

Anne-Marie Abruscato, Mojave Adult, Child and Family Services  
Kirsten DiNicola, DFS  
Anya Earl, SAFY  
Elizabeth Freeland, DFS  
Kevin MacDonald, DFS  
Caleb Orton, DFS  
Denise Parker, DFS

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### Agenda

- Introductions
  - Caregiver Courier
    - October issue review
    - November issue articles
  - The Vine
    - October issue review
    - November issue articles
  - Communication Implementation
  - Normalcy
  - Additional items
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### Meeting Minutes

#### Caregiver Courier

- *October issue review – Caregiver Courier*
  - To be efficient with time, please send any suggestions for changes to Kevin via email.
  - The hope is to add more community events to this issue.
  - Add Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> SIPS Webinar
  - Skating event – the Center

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- *November issue articles – Caregiver Courier*
  - Possibly put in a “suggestion box” feature, and consider having in ongoing issues. Could start with a common question – such as about the different roles of NIA Specialists, Permanency Workers, and Family Support Workers.
  - Angel Tree
  - Independent Living events
  - Adoption Exchange – Heart Gallery
  - Possibly highlight an adoption
  - Foster Change
  - An ongoing goal is to highlight more community agencies
- *December issue articles – Caregiver Courier*
  - December/Holiday community events (Kirsten)
  - Mental Health Article – possibly consider ongoing series on trauma informed parenting in 2017 (Anne-Marie)
- *January issue articles – Caregiver Courier*
  - Celebrations
  - How foster parents make foster children feel special

**The Vine**

- Not reviewed.

**Communication Implementation**

- Child Welfare – Kevin will attend the next meeting.
- Recruitment - Prime

**Normalcy**

- Webinar this month – will be on Just in Time

**Additional Items**

- No updates.

**Next Meeting**

- 9:30am Friday, 21 October 2016 at DFS Central, 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd. | Storey Room