



# Clark County Department of Family Services

## Child Welfare Services Workgroup

August 23 2016  
Lincoln Room

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### Present

Jennifer Erbes, DFS Lead  
Denise Parker, DFS QPI  
Marc Lavigne, Eagle Quest  
Heather Richardson, DFS  
Caleb Orton, DFS P&Ps  
Kristen DiNicola, DFS

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### Agenda

- Partnership Agreement
- Information Sharing
- Normalcy
- Transitions
- Post-Adoption
- Visitation Program

**Minutes were reviewed and no corrections were identified.**



## **Partnership Plan**

- Video completed and sent to USF for editing and approval.
- Communication workgroup to discuss rollout

Next Steps: Kirsten from the training team will follow up with USF and Denise will follow- up

## **Information Sharing**

- The policy has been completed as well as the brochure.
  - Mandatory training DFS staff
- Video with the partnership plan video

Next Steps: Kirsten from the training team will follow up with USF and Denise will follow- up

## **Normalcy**

- Webinar is scheduled for September 22, 2016 – will be presented in the Caregiver Courier and on the VINE. There will be a foster parent, youth, birth parent, and caseworker for the webinar.
  - Mandatory Training for DFS
- Policy will be used with Community Providers

Next Steps: Community outreach for training

## **Transitions/ Disruptions**

- Sub-Workgroup meeting August 25 2016 at 10am – meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

Next Steps: Identify members for workgroup and Denise to provide updates.



## **Post Adoption**

- Jennifer contacted Lisa Martinez and the 2 interns had been approved and were beginning on 8/29/16.
  - They will be working on identifying resources and lack of resources in the community to assist in filling the gaps.
- Associations – ensure there are contacts for adoptive families.

**Next Steps:** Set up meeting with Lisa Martinez to discuss guidance for the interns in identifying resources that are available and needed.

## **Visitation**

- Sub-Workgroup meeting
  - Katrina Easter, Jolie Courtney, Mark Lissor are the current participants.
  - Washoe has training to move to educating foster parents
  - Targeting families with children 0-5 years old.
  - Roll- out still scheduled for October 2016

Next Steps: Denise will continue to provide updates.

**The next meeting of the QPI Child Welfare Services Workgroup will be on Tuesday September 27, 2016 from 10 am to 1 pm in the Lincoln Room at the DFS Office located at 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd.**