



## Clark County Department of Family Services

### QPI Training

Monday, April 6, 2015 – 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

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#### Attendees

DFS – Denise Parker, Elizabeth Howard, Lauren Soskin

Darlene Duncan – Nevada Partnership for Training, Mike Pochowski – Foster Parent

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#### Agenda

1. Welcome / Introductions
  2. Review of previous meeting minutes
    - a. Training Workgroup
  3. Roll out of annual training hours and communication plan – Licensing
  4. Goals for this year
    - a. Ongoing training for JIT, etc.
    - b. Partnership Plan Training video
    - c. Peer training for CM's (see foster parent letter)
  5. Next steps
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#### Minutes

##### Review of previous meeting minutes

- Lauren stated that item number 3b (iii) in the previous minutes states the required training is now available, but unfortunately they are not available. Denise said this was discovered after the fact and that it will be on the next agenda.



### **Roll out of annual training hours and communication plan – Licensing**

- Bill 247 was presented to the Legislature which would require Caregivers to take 40 hours of training to complete their yearly training requirement.
  - This bill would require Caregivers to record the educational progress of the children in their care. Caregivers would need to keep a summary of the education for every child that has been in the Caregiver's home in addition to numerous other specific items.
  - Caregivers would be fined if they did not submit the report for every child in their care. Federal regulations state that you cannot fine Caregivers because the reimbursement is for the children and you cannot penalize the children for something that has not been done by the Caregiver.
  - Denise found out that Assemblyman Wheeler sponsored the bill and turned it over to Joey Gilbert who is the person that wrote the bill.
    - Denise had conversations with Assemblyman Wheeler using the California QPI as her basis. Denise wanted to find out the intent of the bill. Assemblyman Wheeler stated he wanted a bill that focused on families placing emphasis on the education of the children in care.
    - Assemblyman Wheeler let the bill go to a sub-writer who then added what he wanted into the bill. The sub-writer was affiliated with a group that was doing other things related to education incorporated their program into the bill.
    - Denise was concerned that this bill was going to go through but she got word that Wheeler has withdrawn the bill. We will know for sure within one week that the bill has been withdrawn.
    - This bill would have had a considerable impact on everything we are doing in QPI; it would have had an impact on a lot of sub-workgroups and Caregivers.

### **Goals for this year**

- Ongoing training for JIT, etc.
  - The Workgroup team members were under the impression that the training was ready to be rolled out but found out that was not the case.



- DFS Training Unit is currently working on getting classes lined up but ran into problems trying to find out whether they will have enough of the two-hour introductory Caring for Children Who Have Experienced Trauma classes.
- CPR, Car Seat Training, and Effective Discipline Development and Stages classes are not going to be an issue. Caregivers will be required to take these classes during their first year of licensure. This training is primarily for newly licensed homes.
- The Crisis Management class was dropped.
- Washoe County has purchased an adaptation for Trauma Informed Care and PRIDE.
- Training Requirements Proposal – Implementation of the proposed increase in annual training hours for licensed caregivers from 4 to 12 hrs.
  - Work in partnership with the Licensing Unit and the QPI Communication Workgroup to ensure a smooth transition and availability of mandated first year trainings. The goal is to get this finished by December 2015.
- QPI Just In Time Training Review – Make recommendations for training, changes/updates, maintaining and managing.
- Partner with each QPI workgroup to develop training to assist with any changes in operating procedures.
  - For example the Partnership Plan, this will definitely have a training component, for those who could not attend the Passport to Partnership event on May 11<sup>th</sup> or May 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Brandy and the training team will roll this out to people who can't make one of the meetings.
- Continue to work on pre-service training assessment and restructure.



### **Next Steps**

- Denise will follow-up with Lauren regarding ongoing training items
- Sub-workgroup follow-up meeting will be on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 pm

Agenda for next meeting:

1. More in-depth training
2. Correlation between Case Manager Training and Caregiver Training
3. Cross Training for Case Managers and Foster Parents
4. TIPS - MAPS training for Case Managers

Next Training Workgroup meeting will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup>.