**Indiana Family Preservation Services**

**June 25, 2021 Provider Call**

**Agenda and Questions**

1. *Updates from the Evaluation Team:*
   1. *Elisabeth Wilson to provide updates*
      1. Huge increase in survey participation – thank you!
      2. Families who started between Jan-March 2021 – follow that family through completion of their referral/case by completing monthly survey
      3. Another round of provider reports coming soon
2. *INFPS formal evaluation is posted on the INFPS page. Here is the direct link:* [*https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/ProviderSummary\_INFPS\_Evaluation\_2021\_02\_22.pdf*](https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/ProviderSummary_INFPS_Evaluation_2021_02_22.pdf)
3. ***Data updates…***

*Statewide* ***Point-in-time****, as of today (6/25/2021):*

*Total Families: 4,287*

*Total Children: 8,919*

*Total Families served at least 90 days: 2,587*

*Total Children served at least 90 days: 5,401*

*Of cases served at least 90 days* ***(Point-in-time):***

*189 families (4.29%) have had another subbed assessment*

*347 children (3.89%) have had another subbed assessment*

*287 families (5.06%) have experienced a removal*

*419 children (5.06%) have experienced a removal*

*Race breakdown* ***Point-in-Time*** *(total/>90 days):*

*American Indian or Native Alaskan—6 families, 5 children/0 families, 0 children*

*Asian—26 families, 43 children/22 families, 34 children*

*Black—795 families, 1,314 children/485 families, 834 children*

*Hispanic—497 families, 794 children/304 families, 476 children*

*Multiracial-534 families, 776 children/314 families, 460 children*

*Native Hawaiian—8 families, 4 children/5 families, 3 children*

*Unknown/other—164 families, 74 children/85 families, 47 children*

*White—3,441 families, 5,909 children/2,064 families, 3,547 children*

***Point-in-Time*** *by race served over 90 days (families):*

*American Indian or Native Alaskan—0 subbed assessments, 0 removals*

*Asian—0 families subbed assess, 0 removals*

*Black—31 (3.9%) families subbed assess, 23 (2.89%) removal*

*Hispanic-9 (1.81%) families subbed assess, 14 (2.82%) removal*

*Multiracial-17 (3.18%) families subbed assess, 23 (4.31%) removal*

*Native Hawaiian-0 families subbed, 0 removals*

*Unknown/other-0 subbed, 0 removals*

*White—133 (3.87%) families subbed assessment, 168 (4.88%) removal*

*Regional Point-in-Time Breakdown (Families served > 90 days):*

*Region 1:* ***12 (3.23%)*** *subbed assessment/****17 (4.57%)*** *removals*

*Region 2:* ***4 (1.92%)*** *subbed assessment/****3 (1.44%)*** *removals*

*Region 3:* ***14 (6.86%)*** *subbed assessment/****11 (5.39%)*** *removals*

*Region 4:* ***5******(2.23%)*** *subbed assessment/****10 (4.46%)*** *removals*

*Region 5:* ***7******(4.12%)*** *subbed assessment/****9 (5.29%)*** *removals*

*Region 6:* ***5******(2.37%)*** *subbed assessment/****11 (5.21%)*** *removals*

*Region 7:* ***13 (5%)*** *subbed assessment/****14 (5.38%)*** *removals*

*Region 8:* ***15 (5.6%)*** *subbed assessment/****16 (5.97%)*** *removals*

*Region 9:* ***8 (4.54%)*** *subbed assessment/****7 (3.95%)*** *removals*

*Region 10:* ***28 (5.94%)*** *subbed assessment/****25 (5.31%)*** *removals*

*Region 11:* ***14 (5.2%)*** *subbed assessment/****12 (4.46%)*** *removals*

*Region 12:* ***8 (4.15%)*** *subbed assessment/****12 (6.22%)*** *removals*

*Region 13:* ***7 (4.02%)*** *subbed assessment/****6 (3.45%)*** *removals*

*Region 14:* ***5 (4.39%)*** *subbed assessment/****9 (7.89%)*** *removals*

*Region 15:* ***10(4.78%)*** *subbed assessment/****11 (5.26%)*** *removals*

*Region 16:* ***7 (2.21%)*** *subbed assessment/****14 (4.42%)*** *removals*

*Region 17:* ***9 (3.98%)*** *subbed assessment/****9 (3.98%)*** *removals*

*Region 18:* ***13 (5.91%)*** *subbed assessment/****21 (9.55%)*** *removals*

1. *Crystal Whitis to talk about a new initiative to assist FCMs with selecting providers for referrals—Will be working to gather information from Fam Pres providers regarding their EBPs so that we can develop a reference to help FCMs make “thoughtful FPS referrals.”* 
   1. Should have an email from your Regional Services Coordinator
   2. Developing a resource for FCMs to help them make referrals to the appropriate provider
   3. Create a guide that outlines which EBPs are provided by each agency
   4. We will collect the information and put it in a useful tool so that FCMs can match the family with a provider that can best meet their needs
   5. Be thorough in your responses so the we have as much information as possible!
   6. Please reach out to Crystal by the end of next week if you have not heard from your RSC
2. Concrete supports reminder—Please complete this form for any concrete spend, and send to Bridget McIntyre ([Bridget.McIntyre@dcs.in.gov](mailto:Bridget.McIntyre@dcs.in.gov)) or the Child Welfare Plan ([ChildWelfarePlan@dcs.in.gov](mailto:ChildWelfarePlan@dcs.in.gov)): <https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/Expense%20Tracking%20Agencies.xlsx>

This form has been updated to fix the date issue and is also being sent with this agenda to you. This should be completed monthly, please, and be sure to include ALL of your concrete-support spending.

* 1. Date error has been corrected – current version sent with the agenda and will be online soon
  2. Please record ANY concrete spending you use
  3. Needed for evaluation, amount of per diem spent on concrete support, etc.
  4. Any spend that you use to prevent a removal should be included

1. ***HUD FHA Forbearance Relief (attachments)***

*Hardships from the COVID-19 pandemic continue to be felt across the economy.  Currently, there are well over 300,000 FHA borrowers who are at least 60-days delinquent on their mortgage but have not sought help to avoid future foreclosure. To assist FHA borrowers with keeping their homes, HUD is asking for your assistance to communicate the availability of a COVID-19 forbearance relief for delinquent FHA borrowers.*

*More information can also be found at* [*https://www.hud.gov/coronavirus/resources\_for\_homeowners#forbearance*](https://www.hud.gov/coronavirus/resources_for_homeowners#forbearance)

***FEMA Funeral Assistance (attachments)***

*The COVID-19 pandemic has brought overwhelming grief to many families. At FEMA, our mission is to help people before, during and after disasters. We are dedicated to helping ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the virus.*

*Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, FEMA is providing financial assistance for COVID-19 related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020.*

*More information on how to apply for assistance can be found here:*

[*https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance*](https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance )

1. Current referral information:



1. Questions submitted:
   * + 1. The California Clearinghouse does not have an educational or licensure requirement for Motivational Interviewing. Is this an acceptable model for our casework level to use? Or does that cross the boundary into therapy in which the worker needs an Indiana license?
          1. You need to follow the law (regarding licensure, for example) and follow the model to fidelity. For example, if the model allows for MI at a bachelor level, you can do that. However, a non-licensed person cannot provide therapeutic services.
2. Anything else?
   1. Once FFPSA is approved, can we still use the California Clearinghouse as the standard for EBPs?
      1. Yes – continue using the California Clearinghouse and the Family Preservation service standard.
      2. We may not be able to claim funding reimbursement for every service right away, but keep working with the models that are approved
      3. No change in how we ask you to deliver Family Preservation in September
   2. We have a child out of the home for the summer. Do we continue work?
      1. There are other children in the home, so yes – you should continue the work
      2. Work with the local office for a final decision
      3. You may need a new referral eliminating that child, but work with the local office or Regional Services Coordinator

Next meeting 7/9/2021 @ 1:00 EDT

THANK YOU!