Families Work Group 1/19/16

Summary Notes

Updates from OYS ED –

- Knowledge Exchange Monday 1/25/16 @ Omaha Home for Boys, 11:30-12:30
- OYS Steering Committee met to review and recommend elements for the Douglas County 2016-2017 CBA application. The OYS Steering Committee serves as the community team for Douglas County. The application was completed by the County’s Grant Manager and submitted to the NE Crime Commission on January 11th. The application will go through a series of state review processes for final consideration.

JJ 101 Presentations on Family Involvement and Engagement

- a. NFC
  - Referrals from HHS
  - Family Engagement Specialists
    - Work initial removal with HHS
  - Role of Family Engagement Specialists
    - Partner with HHS Assessment Unit
    - Provide Crisis stabilization, case planning – goal of family reunification
  - Non-court teams
    - Same safety/crisis stabilization services without court involvement
  - Strategies to Engage families
    - Parent is the expert and drives the plan
    - Engagement at first meeting -> more timely permanency
  - Serve on Youth Impact review team

- b. Young Adult—“Real life experience”
  - Personal story of involvement in system
  - Impact of Truancy Diversion, Professional Partners
  - Mother’s unmet substance abuse, mental health needs impacted supervision
  - Cycle of Behavior – “normalized” behaviors
  - Networking, relationships and knowledge of resources is extremely important

- Other scheduled presentations tabled until next meeting

Next Meeting: 9:00 am Tuesday, February 16th at Heartland Workforce Solutions