I. ANNOUNCEMENTS –
   b. Amber - Strategies for Youth training update.
   c. Douglas County Comprehensive Juvenile Services Plan (Community Plan) approved by Douglas County Board.


III. INTEREST SURVEY – needs to be completed by all work group members to be in line with all other OYS & JDAI working groups.

IV. DRAFT POLICY WORK GROUP PLAN
   a. Bylaws/Code of Ethics for OYS Steering Committee, Legislative work, Visitation policy (DCYC) were discussed as possible work plan action items.
   b. Whole basis of OYS is to take a larger community view of at risk youth in the community. Larger, collective impact policy, policy BEFORE and/or at the front end of juvenile justice involvement.
   c. Focus of the Policy Work Group should be external policy (legislative, state level, etc.) not internal policy (Douglas County Departmental policy).
   d. A ‘protocol’ should be developed to support the other working groups understand the purpose of the Policy Work Group and what ‘types’ of policies should be brought to the Policy Work Group. The first step is to ensure the work group has a full understanding of the policy in question and has visited with the department whose policy they are reviewing before it is brought before the Policy Work Group.

V. WORK PLAN discussion
   a. Came up in steering committee. Reimbursement for rehabilitative services. Inconsistent application of services to youth. No youth should be unserved due to lack of payment method. Long term strategy.
   i. Systems of Care – through DHHS – Probation Administration is a partner. Access to preventative and therapeutic services. 2 years ago developed a strategic plan, then applied for implementation funding. Tied to behavioral health regions. Target date is ongoing. NCFF is leading the systems of care (Nebraska Children and Family Foundation) roll out in NE with the Division of Behavioral Health. Consumer focused and family driven-full continuum of care. Margaret & Kerri will work to bring someone in to bring group up to speed.
   b. Directly in line with the OYS mission statement. If we have a good diversion program which functions properly we keep youth from further penetration into the Juvenile Justice System.
i. Has that been suggested to the County Attorney’s office and Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC)? Douglas County does not have a written set of objective set of admission standards

ii. National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges also has written guidelines. Invite County Attorney to come to the group. Is it a statutory requirement that the County Attorney makes the determination about which way the child should go?

b. Action Items 4 and 5 require additional information on Best Practice prior to moving forward with action items on the plan.

c. Systems of Care is not a ‘billing model’. It is about building supportive systems.

VI. Suggested Policy Work Group July 25, 2016 meeting agenda items:

1) Presentation – Division of Behavioral Health Nebraska (Margaret will provide contact information to Kerri)

2) Objective Standards for Diversion Discussion
   a. What are best practice models?
   b. What laws are in place that can guide Douglas County?
   c. What is Douglas County’s diversion data?
   d. Creation of a task force?
   e. Email Kerri Peterson if interested in participating.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SAVE THE DATES –

Thursday, September 22, 2016
Compassion Fatigue Workshop
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
UNO CEC Rooms 201/205

Friday, September 23, 2016
Juvenile Justice 101 Symposium (Lunch will be provided)
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
UNO CEC Rooms 230/231

Register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/operation-youth-success-2016-juvenile-justice-symposium-tickets-25699801799