

COUNCIL MINUTES

Ottawa County Family & Children First

5.14.2021 | 9:00-10:00 a.m. | Virtual via Zoom

Attendance:

Member	Member Agency	Present	
		Yes	No
Adkins, Pat	Port Clinton City Schools, Superintendent*		Х
Bingham, Jerry	Ottawa County Health Department*	Х	
Buehler, Cari	Danbury Local Schools		Х
Chasteen, Mandi	Parent Representative*	Х	
Cook, Staci	East Toledo Family Center – HMG Home Visiting*		Х
Cornett, Connie	Ottawa County Family Advocacy Center*		Х
Cronin, Brenda	Mental Health & Recovery Board of Erie & Ottawa, Executive Director*		Х
Douglas, Don	Ottawa County Commissioner*	Х	
Gilchrist, Carolyne	Parent Representative*		X
Gray-Moore, Janet	Parent Representative*	Х	
House, Ruthann	Great Lakes Community Action Partnership*	Х	
Kowal, Stephanie	Ottawa County Department of Job & Family Services, Director*	Х	
Levorchick, Steve	Ottawa County Sheriff's Office & Association of Police Chiefs*		Х
Kristina	Joyful Connections/ECCC Representative*	Х	
Miller, Laura	Fireland's Counseling & Recovery*	Х	
Parmigian, Guy	Benton Carroll Salem Schools, Superintendent*		Х
Retig, Tim	Woodmore Schools*		Х
Rivera, Lonny	North Point Educational Service Center		Х
Schalk, April	United Way in Ottawa County*	Х	
Schlagheck, Katie	Ottawa County OSU Extension, Extension Educator*		Х
Singerling, Jessica	United Way in Ottawa County		Х
Slusser, Melinda	Ottawa County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Superintendent*	Х	
Snider, Mike	City of Port Clinton, Mayor*		Х
Strouse, Shanna	Ottawa County Probate Court		Х
Trachsel, Natalie	Ohio Department of Youth Services*	Х	
Non-Voting	Representing	Present	
		YES	NO
Beck, Bobbi	Ottawa County Board of DD, Family Support Specialist	X	1.3
Carles, Amy	Ohio's Consumer Counsel	X	
Gottron, Natalie	Ottawa County FCFC WrapAround Coordinator	X	
Osborne, Margaret	Ottawa County FCFC Director	X	
Walterbush, Ashley	Family Advocacy Center	X	

1. Health Department Update

Health Commissioner Bingham stated the number of Covid cases in the county is declining, that the county is in orange status and was two cases away from being in the yellow status. They are hopeful the trend will continue downward and are encouraged with how the state is progressing to end pandemic health orders.

2. Administrative Agent Report

Commissioner Douglas updated the group on the transition of the Mental Health & Recovery Board, the state of the county with the re-opening and pandemic health orders ending June 2. He congratulated the Health Department for the great job they are doing with the pandemic and the current status of orange.

3. Call to Order & Consent Agenda A

After confirming the quorum, council chair, Ms. Kowal, officially called the meeting to order.

- Review and approval of the agenda.
- Review and approval of minutes of March 14, 2021, FCFC Meeting with one correction being made to the last page changing the date of the next meeting to today's date.
- Review and approval of minutes of April 12, 2021, FCFC Executive Committee Meeting.
 Motion to approve by Ms. Slusser, second by Ms. Trachsel. Motion carried.

4. Initiative Updates

Family Support Specialist: Ms. Beck reported for March & April 2021. The report is in your packets.

<u>Early Intervention</u>: Early Intervention is serving 37 families, 33 eligible and 4 in the eligibility determination phase. There were 6 referrals in March & 6 in April. Ms. Slusser shared a story of a child served in early intervention.

Help Me Grow Home Visiting: no report.

Drug-Free Collaborative:

Ms. Osborne shared that the last meeting was on May 5. DART reported 9 overdoses this year, with one linked to treatment. Presentations for 6th & 7th graders in the county. They are also conducting door-to-door campaigns on information on what to do or who to access for those who may overdose.

JFS reported that they have one caseworker who has finished the START Program training. They have one peer mentor and looking into possibly adding a second. The program capacity is no more than 15.

Overdose Awareness Day is Tuesday, August 31st. Discussed possible speakers.

September is Recovery Month. Discussed the possibility of having recovery events throughout the month, including the possibility of bringing in a speaker.

Our next meeting is on July 7 @ 9:30 a.m.

<u>NWO Children's Trust Fund Prevention Council:</u> Ms. Osborne and Ms. Strouse attended the OCTF Regional Prevention Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 28th. The Council is currently working on the 5-year prevention plan which has been approved with minor conditions which are being worked out. The CBCAP proposal is being reworked for completion.

General Statewide OCTF updates - The OCTF is finalizing the strategic plan which will be rolled out in June. This 6-year plan will align with the funding priorities that have been identified.

Program Updates - Mercy was awarded the coordination grant for SFY22 & SFY23. This will allow continuity for the council. Strategy 1 - Keep a Promise Campaign - We re-engaged with Thread Marketing to continue with the campaign focusing on Facebook strategies. Please find the page on Facebook, like it, and share it. Strategy 2 - Trauma consults and training - we are still contracting with Children Resource Center. Covid modifications were put into place for the provider's 265 Child care centers that received resources. All measures were met minus children served. This was due to capacity issues during the pandemic.

Strategy 3 - Parent support and education - Ohio Guidestone - Ottawa County reached its goal for the year but did not have new participants in Quarter 3.

April was National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month. The kick-off was very successful. The "Everyday Hero" award winner for Northwest Ohio was announced and that went to Lindsay Stormer from Harbor Behavioral Health.

The Council will be distributing another family survey to be distributed in May/June. This is to get a pulse of programs and services that parents are aware of in their area. This survey will and should be shared with all families whether receiving services or not.

There will be a special meeting in June to approve agreements for SFY22.

<u>WrapAround:</u> Ms. Gottron relayed that she is currently serving 11 families with 3 additional families who are in the referral process. Two of the youth are in residential, with one receiving Substance Abuse Treatment and is set for discharge at the beginning of June and the other youth is receiving treatment for trauma. Of the 11 youth enrolled, she has conducted the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessment for 6 of them and plans on doing an additional 2 next week for youth in residential. One youth & family is in the beginning steps transition out of wraparound. The youth spent 12 months in residential treatment and has made tremendous growth since coming home in March.

In March the program received five referrals and in April four. Between those two months, the majority of referrals came from the juvenile court and the school districts. A pie chart was shared detailing the home school districts of youth served in WrapAround and how many served per district from July of 2020 to May 2021. Data shows serving sixteen youth from Port Clinton City Schools, zero from Genoa, three from Danbury, five from Benton Carroll Salem, one from Woodmore, and one from Put-In-Bay.

Also shared was a graph detailing identified needs for youth in wraparound. Data shows all youth have some type of mental health diagnosis, eleven come in with unruly charges, eight have delinquency charges, twelve live in poverty, and eleven with some sort of child neglect.

Ms. Gottron reported that as of right now, we are holding wraparound meetings virtually. However, with the changes coming June 2nd, families will be encouraged to have meetings in person, however, the virtual option will still be available. Zoom options will continue to be available for those families with youth in residential as the youth needs to be present at meetings. There will also be the option of hybrid meetings with some team members on zoom with others physically present at the meetings.

5. Coordinator Report

Operation Capacity Building Fund FY22 Application

The application was submitted in March and we received notification of approval in April. This funding supports county FCFC efforts, is State General Revenue (GRF), and is used to provide a portion of the salary and fringe benefits of my position.

DODD EI Service Coordination Grant FY22

This year's grant agreement has some changes, most specifically that the program narrative will be revised to include three program reports spread out over SFY22. Another change is that we will need to report out activities such as supervision, evaluation, and assessment are funded if not funded with grant funds.

MHRBEO Requests for Funding

A funding request was submitted to the MH Board in March for a request to fund a portion of the wraparound coordinator's salary. The request was for \$30,000 towards the salary and \$1000 towards mileage reimbursement for the wraparound coordinator.

A second request was submitted in April and was approved by the MH Board's finance committee this past Tuesday and will go to their full board for approval next Tuesday. This request was for \$25,000 for crisis and behavioral services.

The Association for Private Counseling Contract FY21 & FY22

A request was submitted to the MSY team for two youth who transitioned home from Mohican Young Star Academy. Specifically, the services that Bill Myers provides through his business, The Association for Private Counseling. Bill provides intense crisis services when a youth reenters a community and also provides assistance around behavior. We entered into a short-term contract for FY21 not to exceed \$10,050. The second contract with The Association for Private Counseling is for FY22 and was submitted to the MHRBEO for approval. The contract will be written to not exceed \$25,000 for FY22.

Ottawa County Juvenile Court DYS Grant

Ottawa County Juvenile Court opened their DYS funding application process for requests for FY22. A request for \$16,000 was submitted to the court to fund a portion of the wraparound coordinator's position, mileage, facilitation supplies, and for the purchase of a conference room table and chairs.

Strong Families Safe Communities

Our 6 county collaborative for Strong Families Safe Communities received notification in April that due to the pandemic our project can request to carry over any remaining funding from FY21 into FY22. We also received the notification of the continued funding for our project for FY22. We are excited to use these funds to streamline and create a stronger wraparound program for the council.

Youth Mental Health First Aid

Ms. Gottron and Ms. Osborne attended Youth Mental Health First Aid training this past Wednesday and are now both certified. This 6-hour intense training focused on the steps to take if you encounter a youth having a mental health crisis.

EI Quarterly File Review

As part of our contract with the County Board of DD for Early Intervention Service Coordination, quarterly file reviews are conducted for quality assurance. Ms. Osborne conducted a recent review of eight files noted a few minor items. Reports have been shared with Ms. Slusser and my next review will be sometime in August.

Multi-System Youth Funding

Current funding utilized through MSY is one youth in residential, and funding provided for crisis and behavioral services through The Association for Private Counseling for two youth. We have submitted a fourth application for residential placement funding.

With the creation of this funding, we had a youth who was placed in residential and we have had a wraparound team with the family for close to two years. Because of the success this youth and his mother have made, we are now discussing transition or the last phase of wraparound. The mom shared a letter with our office to share with the State MSY team and with the council. Ms. Osborne shared the letter.

Communities of Support Grant

The Communities of Support grant that Ohio Department of Job & Family Services along with coordination from the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services and the Ohio Family & Children First Council is to assist in continue to support existing and new local community planning and coordinated service delivery efforts. Ms. Osborne submitted Ottawa County's application on April 30. These funds will allow us to ensure necessary collaborative cross-system work can best meet the needs of children and families with CARA (Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act) plans of safe care, qualified residential treatment program level of care assessments, and community-based aftercare planning for children discharged from residential treatment settings. If we are awarded, we as a county will assess our local needs for the priorities, establish best practices and prepare for any necessary budget considerations for implementation and/or sustainability. This is critical work that needs to happen at a county level which will help us plan and allow the state to determine the next steps for policy and practice.

Ohio Rise

Included in your packets are draft rules for Ohio Rise, which is a specialized managed care program for youth with complex behavioral health and multi-system needs. On April 1, The Ohio Department of Medicaid selected Aetna Better Health of Ohio to serve as the specialized managed care organization for the state's children with the most complex behavioral health and multi-system needs. Later on, our State Regional FCFC Consultant, Ms. Jenni Horner will be presenting more on Ohio Rise and how Family & Children First Council fits in with Ohio Rise, in specific wraparound services for youth and families.

Eighth Annual Trauma-Informed Care Virtual Summit is May 18 & 19.

Ms. Osborne and Ms. Gottron will be attending this summit and therefore our office will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday next week for training.

6. Ohio Rise, MSY, Communities of Support Grant & the Future of FCFC's

Ohio Family & Children First Council Regional Coordinator, Ms. Jennie Horner presented to the council the details of Ohio Rise and how high fidelity wraparound will fit in the program, an overview of Medicaid's Multi-System Youth funding, and the amount that Ottawa County has accessed. The goal of the Communities Support Grant and how councils can assess their local needs. Ms. Horner will send the PowerPoint with Ms. Osborne to share with the council.

7. Consent Agenda B recommends the council to approve Financial Reports, Current Invoices and recommendations –

- 1. March 2021 Financial Report.
- 2. April 2021 Financial Report.
- 3. Mohican Young Star Academy February Invoices \$7,644.00 and \$7,728.00 = Total: \$15,372.00.
- 4. Mohican Young Star Academy March Invoices \$4,968.00 and \$1,092.00 = Total: \$6,060.00.
- 5. Abraxas Invoices: February \$3,730.20; March \$5,781.81; April \$5,595.30 = Total: \$15,107.31

6. Amazon Invoice for Office Supplies \$114.12 & \$242.44 = Total: \$356.56

7. Enter into a contract with The Association for Private Counseling for behavioral/crisis services FY21 not to exceed \$10,050.

8. Enter into a contract with The Association for Private Counseling for behavioral/crisis services FY22 not to exceed \$25,000.

9. Enter into a contract with Mental Health & Recovery Board FY22 for WrapAround services not to

10. Ottawa County Commissioners April & May 2021 Rent \$261.00/month = \$522.00.

- 11. Enter into MOU between Riverview Nursing Home & Ottawa FCFC for Phone System/equipment
- 12. Riverview Nursing Home Avaya Phone System \$38.00 (April) & \$38.00 (May) = Total: \$76.00
- 13. Renewal of Zoom Accounts (Two) \$299.80.

Motion to approve by Mr. Rivera, second by Ms. House. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Member announcements member organizations shared announcements.
- 5. Adjournment Motion to adjourn.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. and will be in person. Location to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Ösborne, Coordinator

Approved.