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# Policy Council on Children and Youth

# & Mendocino Child Abuse Prevention Council

# Thursday, August 20, 2020, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

# Minutes

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*The Policy Council on Children and Youth’s (PCCY) mission is to provide leadership through advocating for and coordination of Mendocino County’s community efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse.*

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| **11:30** | **OPEN MEETING** |
|  | Present:Members- Sheryn Hildebrand, Camille Schraeder, Jena Conner, Michelle Hutchins, Cindi Mockel, Joanna Olson, Victoria Schraeder, Katie Ford (Probation), Amanda Panteleon, Lisa Fredrickson, John Haschak, Teri Sedrick, Gina DannerGuest- Megan Van Sant, Faith Simon, Roseanne Ibarra, Laurel Near, Julie Fetherston, Lily CaravelloNo additions to agendaMembership Applications/Reapplications- applications received from Laurel Near and Julie Fetherston. Justin will submit to Board of Supervisors for appointment with letter from PCCY. . |
| **11:45** | **COUNTY SELF-ASSESSMENT UPDATE** |
|  | Jena Conner gave update on how the stakeholder groups are being structured. Schedule is being determined. Save the dates of 10/20-10/21 and will be by Zoom.  | Lead by Jena Conner |
| **12:00** | **STATUS OF AB 2083 MOU** |
|  | Jena Conner gave update on status of Mendocino County’s AB 2083 MOU- Trauma Informed System of Care for foster youth. | Lead by Jena Conner |
| **12:10** | **CHILD ABUSE REPORTING TASK FORCE** |
|  | Michelle Hutchins gave update on status of schools during pandemic; requirement for live interaction between child and teacher every day and re-engagement plan if three or more days without interaction. Discussed other available mandated reporter trainings including from RCS, State of Deleware and Darkness to Light.Jena Conner gave report out on numbers of child abuse/neglect reports received, trend this summer, and severity of domestic violence and substance abuse issues. Update on Differential Response was provided; not active at this time due to budget issues. Hillside Clinics Pediatrics provided update and follow up work with Partnership. Seeing a lot of families with kids with special needs who are not getting their service needs met.  | Lead by Michelle Hutchins |
| **12:30** | **OPEN DISCUSSION HOW TO SUPPORT CHILDREN IN SCHOOL** |  |
|  | Michelle Hutchins noted the following:* Schools are better prepared this year. Teachers are required to have a daily live interaction either by video and/or phone. Kids also have to have an interaction with another child in class to get attendance credit. If a student does not connect for three days, the teacher must reach out. School reengagement plans are due to MCOE at end of September.
* MCOE is asking county to open up public buildings for WiFi for students who have connectivity issues at home; speaking with Carmel Angelo tomorrow.
* Social/Emotional support is at forefront for superintendents. Imbedded in trainings MCOE is doing including how to set positive classroom culture in a virtual setting for a new school year as teachers and students getting to know each other.
* Classified staff are allowed to be in a classroom with stable group of students (but not certificated teachers), so some school districts are opening up classrooms with paraprofessionals.

Special Education Local Planning Area Director Gina Danner is anticipating the California Department of Education will be releasing new guidance outside of waiver process for kids with significant disabilities, which may include kids with significant social/emotional issues and those who need in-person connection. | Lead by Camille Schraeder |
| **1:00** | **MEETING CLOSE** |  |

**Next Meetings:**

* November 19, 2020 from 11:30am to 1pm

*A table will be available for handouts and materials. Materials need to be provided to Justin Benninger, HHSA, (benningerj@mendocinocounty.org) no later than 12:00 pm the Monday prior to the meeting to be distributed remotely.*