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CICS Children's Advisory Committee Meeting 05/31/23

Present: Karie Foster, Andrea Dickerson, Shirley Faircloth, Lisa Heddens, Dawn Rudolph, Dr. Jack Swanson, Melinda Struthoff, Emilea Lundberg, Rita Baker, and Lori Price. **CICS Staff:** Robin McKee, Patti Triebel-Leeds, Meghan Freie, Tabatha McLain, and Liza Howard.

Welcome and Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

Approval of the 05/31/23 agenda: Motion to approve the agenda made by Rita Baker, seconded by Emilea Lundberg. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval of the 03/29/23 minutes: Motion to approve the minutes by Rita Baker, seconded by Emilea Lundberg. All ayes, motion carried.

Meghan Freie, Planning Officer, presented on the Crisis Network coordinator position. There will be one for Adult and one for Children. She explained the job duties for the Children's Crisis Network Coordinator and how they will follow along with families and assist with linking the families with services in their own communities. Lisa Heddens and Karie Foster asked if there was a flow chart regarding these services. Meghan said there is a chart, and she will present it at our July meeting. Andrea Dickerson wanted to know how it works with the already existing Service Coordinators in the counties within the Region. The Crisis Network Coordinator would follow along with the family for about a year and then a transition to the local Service Coordinator. Andrea wanted to know what the caseload would look like. Patti stated it would be hard to say right now. She then went on to explain that some families will need a lot more hands-on assistance than other families. Andrea wondered what other Regions were doing. Some Regions have their Service Coordinators doing both jobs. Andrea said they don't always know who to refer to when working with the children in crisis stabilization residential services for discharge planning. Dr. Jack stated it would be nice if pediatricians and family physicians knew about the services through the Region. Both Robin and Meghan talked about the outreach that local Service Coordinators are currently doing. Patti also discussed the upcoming training that she is providing for the Crisis Network Coordinators to assist with explaining the services we provide. Lisa Heddens wondered if we could present at rounds at the Mary Greely Hospital and Dr. Jack will check on that and get back to us.

Robin then updated the group on the shelter care expenses to the local counties and what CICS will be doing to work with them on checking to see if these children have a mental health diagnosis and the Region could pay that county share. The Children's Crisis Network Coordinator will be working on that and then working on trying to link the families with services.

Robin then spoke about the need to finalize the By-Laws. She will send out a draft and it will be on the agenda for our July meeting to vote on.

We then talked about topics for the next meeting in July. We will talk about the Bylaws and flow chart for crisis services.

Motion to adjourn by Lisa Heddens, seconded by Emilea Lundberg. All ayes, motion passed. Meeting adjourned 12:50pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2023 at noon Zoom only.

