



STATE ADVISORY GROUP (SAG) MEETING
Staffed by the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
.Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032
Monday, July 9, 2018
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m

Meeting Minutes

Participating Members

Heather Chapman, Chair
Michelle Becote-Jackson, Vice Chair
Kara Aanenson
Kirsten Andersen
Lynn Davis
Sgt. Kathy Estrada
Crystal Foretia
Musa Hammett
Annie Hansen-Combs (phone)
Lynette Holmes (phone)
Meg Butler for Senator Justin Ready
Heidi Rochon
Melanie Shapiro
Judge Michael Stamm (phone)
Jennifer Winter

Guests

Carolynette Scott, Workforce Development, Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation

Staff

Angela Cromwell, Program Manager, Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
Kelly Gorman, Juvenile Justice and Victim Services Program Assistant/ Handle with Care Coordinator, Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
Kimberly Herndon, Director of Victims of Crime Assistance Initiatives, Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
Sabraya Knight, Juvenile Justice and Victim Services Intern, Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
William Jernigan, Disproportionate Minority Contact Coordinator, Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention
Jessica Wheeler, Senior Director of Juvenile Justice and Victim Services, Governor's Office of

Crime Control & Prevention

I. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. Members and guests introduced themselves.

II. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Rochon made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Shapiro seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the minutes were approved.

III. Three Year Plan Implementation

A. Workforce Development

Ms. Scott, Disability and Youth Services Coordinator, provided members with a presentation on the youth workforce development program at the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR). Under the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act of 2014, the workforce development program assists youth and adults with services such as career counseling, occupational training, financial literacy, and mentoring. There are currently 28 American Job Centers that operate under the program, including 6 satellite units. Ms. Scott informed members of the website that youth and adults can use to upload their resumes and apply for jobs. Ms. Scott encouraged members to collaborate with DLLR as it relates to their joint mission of connecting youth with skills and job training to ensure they have a successful reentry into the community.

B. Trauma-Informed Practices

Ms. Chapman, Chair, provided members with a presentation on trauma-informed practices. Ms. Chapman informed members that repeated exposure to trauma has negative effects on the brain and nervous system. Staff, especially those who work with youth, trained in trauma-informed practices can help prevent children from facing triggers that may not be otherwise known to the staff. Ms. Chapman encouraged members to continue educating themselves on trauma-informed practices to ensure that the State Advisory Group is continuing to address trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs).

IV. Grant Discussion

Ms. Cromwell and Ms. Herndon provided members with an update on the Title II Formula Grant applications reviewed by the SAG. The members made recommendations regarding the allocation of funding which will be taken into consideration by the Office.

V. Subcommittee Reports

A. Emerging Leaders

The Emerging Leaders Committee presented the SAG with bylaw amendments requesting an official change to the committee's name, a change reflecting the inclusion of SAG-designated members under the age of 18, and the inclusion of a Chair and Vice

Chair for each standing committee. Crystal Foretia made a motion to approve the amendments. Michelle Becote-Jackson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the bylaw amendments were approved.

B. Recruitment, Training, and Regionalization

Ms. Becote-Jackson informed members of three vacancies in the SAG. Two vacancies must be filled with youth members with current and/or past involvement with the juvenile justice system. There is one vacancy for a representative of a private or non-profit organization concerned with neglected or dependent children. Members are encouraged to assist with recruitment efforts.

C. Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC)

The DMC Subcommittee reconvened last month. At the meeting, members provided updates on local DMC progress and barriers. Ms. Shapiro and Mr. Jernigan informed members that there will be a focus on training on racial and ethnic disparities and DMC. There will also be a focus on prevention efforts and support of programs, such as Handle with Care, to promote trauma-informed practices.

VI. Old/New Business

A. Coalition of Juvenile Justice Conference Debrief

Several staff and SAG members attended the Coalition for Juvenile Justice's annual conference. At the conference, Senator Chuck Grassley was awarded the A.L. Carlisle Award for his work in support of juvenile justice. He announced that he will continue to get the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act reauthorized. Also, Caren Harp, Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) announced changes to Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) which include:

- The Relative Rate Index (RRI) will no longer be required. States are expected to use their own methods - which could still be the RRI. States will report to OJJDP on percentages compared to census data to monitor DMC.
- The number of decision points for data collection is being reduced from 9 to 5 (arrest, diversion, detention, confinement, and transfer).
- States will develop performance-based plans and be measured on outcomes of the plan.

OJJDP will release more details in regards to compliance monitoring and DMC changes in the near future. Ms. Harp emphasized that the goal is to lessen the burden on states but also uphold the law.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 17, 2018.