



## Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Policy and Management Team

### Eastern Shore CPMT Meeting

Chair, Keren Plowden, called the ES CPMT meeting to order at 2:00 PM on April 1, 2021 at the Accomack County Department of Social Services in Accomac, Virginia. Present were Terra Custis, Mozella Francis, Erica Lawson, Kathy Lewis, Marcus Riley, Lisa Sedjat, Vicki Weakley and Rudy Zavala.

On a motion per Mozella Francis and seconded by Terra Custis both CPMT meeting minutes from March 2021 were approved.

On a motion by Kathy Lewis and seconded by Erica Lawson, the CMPT went into Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended for the purpose of discussion or consideration of the CSA cases **(ACDSS)** POSO# 814850, 814852, 814852. **(ESCSB)** POSO# 814853. **(NCPS)** POSO# 912532, 912533. **(NCDSS)** POSO# 912534, 912535, 912536, 912537, 912538, 912539, 912540. CPMT also conducted Utilization Reviews for clients STI# 1013878632 and 1018820808.

The ES CPMT returned to Open Session, on a motion by Terra Custis and seconded by Erica Lawson. On a roll call vote certifying to the best of each member's knowledge only public matters exempted from the public meeting and in the original motion were discussed. The vote was Keren Plowden: yes, Terra Custis: yes, Mozella Francis: yes, Erica Lawson: yes, Kathy Lewis: yes, Marcus Riley: yes, Mimi Sedjat: yes, and Vicki Weakley: yes.

On a motion by Marcus Riley, seconded by Kathy Lewis the CMPT approved the POSO#'s listed above. **NOTE:** *During the voting process, each agency head recuses herself/himself during the voting of cases presented from their agency.*

### COVID-19

- Mimi Sedjat from the ESCSB provided CPMT with updates on their current plan for reopening. It was also shared that currently CSB is not doing in-person emergency services and will continue to provide these services via virtual platform, however, ESCSB staff will be back in emergency rooms starting on April 21, 2021.
- Keren Plowden from NCPS shared with CPMT that there is an initiative in the developing stages for Northampton County Public Schools to provide COVID-19 testing starting in the fall of the next school year. The plan is to provide rapid

testing each week for about 10% of staff and students. As shared per Keren Plowden, any changes and updates will be provided to the CPMT team once this plan is developed and rolled out. Currently NCPS students are still attending 4 days a week for face-to-face instruction and providing a virtual option for students. NCPS is also working on offering a summer recovery program for students for all levels from June 28, 2021-July 30, 2021. The content focus for Elementary will be reading and math and the content focus for the Middle and High School will be helping students with recovering with what they need academically.

- Mrs. Kathy Lewis from the ACHD shared that WIC services will remain remote through the end of September 2021.
- Mr. Marcus Riley from 4-H shared that their program will be conducting the overnight summer camp this summer. This year the camp will be operating at half capacity and the safety measures and precautions were shared with the CPMT team.
- Each agency shared that their staff are still being administered their COVID-19 vaccines. All agencies have some staff who have chosen to opt out of being vaccinated.

#### **Old Business:**

- The CSA Coordinator reminded CPMT of the CSA CANS and Service Planning Training on April 30, 2021. The CSA Coordinator requested that each agency head share this information with their staff and remind them to pre-register. A list of all case workers who will participate in this training will be provided at the next meeting.

#### **New Business**

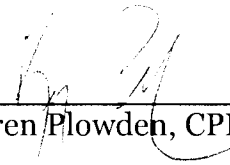
- CPMT agreed that moving forward CPMT will meet in person for meetings. A virtual platform will still be provided to each case worker when presenting their case. Each CPMT meeting will be scheduled to take place at Accomack County Department of Social Services.
- Erica Lawson from DJJ shared that truancy team meetings will take place in-person prior to CPMT meetings through the end of 2020-2021 school year. If additional meetings are needed, they will take place on the third Friday of each month. It was agreed that these meetings will either take place at ACDSS or at ESCSB in Onley, Virginia.
- The CSA Coordinator updated CPMT on the following changes/information from OCS:
  - a statute update pertaining to COV 2.2-5211. These updates were made from the recommendations from the JLARC study. Starting on July 1, 2021 the state law prohibits the use of state funds for private placements that are not licensed by the Virginia Department of Education or an equivalent out of state licensing entity for out of state placements.
  - OCS is working with providers in order to develop a standardized way of reporting their rates. OCS will be developing this over the next year in


order to provide standard categories for rates and providers will have to conform their rates to that standard in order to be eligible for reimbursement. The CSA Coordinator will update CPMT as this standard rate modality is developed.

- There is a change in the eligibility category in 2.2-5211 pertaining to students who have been in a private education program for six months and will transition back to public school. These students will now be in the sum sufficient category and will be eligible for transitional services that will be provided in the school setting. These are separate from wrap around services.
  - As of July 1, 2021 children receiving transitional services must follow the FAPT process. This is due to services included in the IEP as opposed to services directed by an IFSP. The CSA Coordinator shared that OCS would allow each locality to track these services as they see fit as long as they meet the state requirements for administrative reviews. CPMT shared that this plan would be developed in order to have a process in place in order to address these cases as needed.
  - there was an enactment clause for 2.2-5211. OCS is working on developing a plan over the next 1-2 years to transition private special education out of the CSA and into the purview of the state DOE. Further information will be forthcoming.
  - Bill 2212 directs that OCS identify low performing CSA programs and work with them in developing a corrective action plan. OCS has shared that they have data such as audit findings, outcomes, CQI, etc. OCS will be using this data in order to develop a fair and transparent definition to identify what is low performing. This is not an audit process and there will be no financial exposures with this process. The goal of OCS is practice improvement.
  - JLARC recommend creating a survey in order to get additional information about each locality's local staffing and budgets to support CSA for both positions and non personnel services. This survey is expected to be sent out once OCS has completed its report of their findings with the GAP surveys. The goal of collecting this information is to possibly having additional funding to each locality's administrative funds.
- The CSA Coordinator also provided CPMT with the current balance of CSA funding. Accomack County currently has \$402,482.19 in their mandated balance and \$20,405.00 for its non-mandated funding leaving it with a total of \$422,887.19. Northampton County currently has \$245,032.40 in their mandated balance and \$20,001.00 for its non-mandated funding balance leaving it with a total of \$265,033.40.
  - Spring Retreat is scheduled for April 16, 2021.
  - CPMT also discussed reaching out to the current applicants for interviews for the Parent Representative and Private Provider Representative positions for the FAPT teams. These interviews will be scheduled and the interview panel delegated per CPMT will conduct these interviews.

With no further business to discuss Mozella Francis motioned to adjourn and Marcus Riley seconded the motion. The Eastern Shore CPMT adjourned at 3:27 PM.

The next regularly scheduled CPMT is May 6, 2021 at the Accomack County  
Department of Social Services in Accomac, Virginia.

  
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Keren Plowden, CPMT Chair

  
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Rudy Zavala, CSA Coordinator  
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