

King County System Integration Project

Data Collection and Information Management Subcommittee

Meeting Date: July 8, 2004

Location: Casey Family Programs
1123 23rd Avenue
Seattle WA, 98122

Meeting Time: 9:00 – 11:30 AM

Participants: Kaki Dimock (co-chair), Lee Selah, Michael Curtis, Charlotte Booth, and John Tuell (CWLA)

Not attending: Sue Castonguay, Catherine Kahn, Steve Gustaveson, Clifton Curry

The DCIMS used the following agenda to guide its work in this meeting:

- Review of the System Integration Charter agreement
- Review of work and status of other project subcommittees
- Discussion of upcoming meetings (next scheduled for Tuesday, August 3rd @ 9:00 AM) and inclusion of Jessica Heldman, Children's Rights, Legal Analysis Subcommittee, in the agenda
- Goals of progress leading up to September 29th meeting of all members of the System Integration project
- Discussion of DCHS and Juvenile Court interviews regarding information sharing realities
- NEXT STEPS

The DCIMS was updated on the discussion that evolved in the Executive Steering Committee, the progress of the Resource Committee meeting from 7/7, and the progress of the Legal Analysis Subcommittee conference call convened on June 30th.

The committee members discussed the valuable contribution of Sue Castonguay in submitting the DCFS Assessment instrument inventory and noted the need to complete the King County Superior Court (KCSC) Assessment instrument inventory. Kaki Dimock and Susan Waield will coordinate to complete this important inventory.

Additionally, the DCIMS reviewed the draft list of data elements in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems thought necessary to inform the initiative. A discussion led to clarity that the identification of data elements would be on several planes: elements that provide a data picture of King County with the most recent available data (i.e., # of misdemeanor and felony complaints, # of families referred to CPS for investigation, # of founded and unfounded cases of A/N, etc.); elements that will be important to inform the decision regarding priorities in the initiative (i.e., # of delinquent

offenders who have histories of maltreatment, # of CPS youth and families involved in the juvenile justice system, etc.); and a wish list of data elements that need to be mined to inform the system integration work.

The DCIMS also reviewed the findings from the DCFS and Juvenile Court interviews conducted by Lee Selah and Kaki Dimock regarding information sharing across these systems. The interviews provided a rich set of remarks that led to a discussion of some preliminary recommendations based on the interview input. These included:

- cross system training
- multi-dimensional case staffing
- ensure clarity of statutes and policies that govern the sharing and exchange of information

The DCIMS discussed the capacity of the Global Vision Technologies, Inc. (GVT) and their FamCare system of multi-system information management. There was interest in learning more about the capacity of this web based information system.

Additional discussion items in this meeting included:

- 1) review of CSFR and PIP report to ensure that all members are aware of the recommendations from DSHS for improved outcomes
- 2) electronically sending the final draft of the CWLA Community Implementation Guide for Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice System Integration
- 3) connecting Blair Tighe, President of GVT, with Kaki Dimock so that she could learn more about the capacities and then consider recommending a demo for the committees of the initiative.

The DCIMS confirmed the next meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 3rd from 9:00 – 12:00 Noon (Pacific Time)**.

We will continue to exchange information through electronic communication and telephone contact during the time period until our next scheduled call. The meeting concluded promptly at 11:30 AM Pacific time.