

8.18.26

DCF Dashboard Working Group

Meeting Agenda

1. Have DCF report out on their beta dashboard as it currently stands
2. The WG will review all the key data points below and come to agreement on which points are included in the dashboard and which points are not to be included:

a. Workforce

- i. Social worker vacancies, caseloads, staff turnover, time filling vacancies
- ii. Data around case loads, client encounters by category (in-person, Zoom, email, etc.)
- iii. Cases open, cases closed
- iv. Reports on death, injury, abuse → critical incident transparency
- v. Frontline staffing distinguished from supervisory and management, including historical data
- vi. Supervisor-to-workforce ratios
- vii. Staff training completion
- viii. Behavioral health provider capacity, community provider capacity
- ix. Foster home availability and foster parent retention

b. Transparency

- i. Trends over time
- ii. Clear definitions for each measure
- iii. Ability to compare current performance to state goals or national benchmarks
- iv. Knowing the story of each case instead of counting them (i.e., if the child is safe and has access to the resources they need)
- v. Data that shows strengths and weaknesses of the agency, and integrates data from other agencies
- vi. Screen-in and screen-out numbers on CPS reports

- vii. In-home vs. out-of-home care
 - viii. Inclusion of federal CFSR measures on safety, permanency, and well-being
 - ix. Permanency timeliness
 - x. Outcomes for youth aging out
 - xi. Quarterly data refreshes
3. In the next meeting on **9.1.2026** the Working Group will discuss the next two sections:
- a. Access to services**
 - i. Behavioral health - inpatient, outpatient, residential, crisis, in-home, and community- based services
 - ii. Waitlists, treatment engagement and completion, and continuity of care
 - iii. Other elements of child welfare service journey timelines, i.e. referrals and investigations
 - iv. Kinship placement capacity and residential treatment capacity
 - v. Housing, food, transportation assistance
 - vi. Childcare, respite care, and parenting education
 - b. Equity**
 - i. Outcomes broken down by race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, and region
 - ii. Geographic differences across CT
 - iii. Racial and socioeconomic disparities
4. **Please note – regarding the deadline:** We will submit a progress report / update on our work by the original date, **October 1, 2026** and then a final report soon after