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DCF Dashboard Working Group

Meeting Agenda

1. Map of Regions (what DCF created)

- a. Point in time data
- b. Number of cases
- c. Number of social workers
- d. Number of cases closed in past 30 days
- e. Staff turnover measure?
- f. Number of in-person and virtual visitations?
- g. Funnel for each of the regional offices (# of reports, investigated, etc – what DCF showed us)

2. Page showing federal measures and DCFs performance side by side

3. Permanency (Statewide and by Region)

- a. Questions:
 - i. How many are reunited or placed in kinship care?
 - ii. How many are adopted?
 - iii. How many children are in foster care?
 - iv. Once a child is removed, how long before they have a stable home (kinship, foster, adoption, return to family, long term care)?
 - v. How are they re-entering the system (going in and out of care placements)?
- b. Data
 - i. Permanency timeliness --> time to reunification, adoption, and guardianship
 - ii. Youth aging out
 - 1. How they are exiting, NYTD survey, number of kids in college, how many remain in care, and what the state provides post-care such as supports like housing, education, wraparound supports, etc.

2. How many kids graduate? How many receive services?
3. What are the legal supports for kids?
4. How many kids are connected with a permanent living arrangement/connection with an adult that can help them?
5. Community supports for young adults transitioning out
6. National Youth in Transition Database survey → effectiveness of DCF support services with school, housing, etc.

4. Safety (Statewide and by Region)

- a. Questions
 - i. # of repeat cases?
 - ii. How many cases after 3 to 5 referrals get a second look by another social worker (PA 26-26)?
 - iii. Are we reducing unnecessary reentries into care?
 - iv. At-risk children and was a safety plan put in place?
- b. Data
 - i. # of cases referred to FAR (family assessment response), investigated, substantiated vs not substantiated by office, over time
 - ii. Repeat maltreatment data

5. Prevention (Statewide and by Region)

- a. Questions
 - i. How many families that enter FAR use the system beyond prevention?
 - ii. How many families went through Child First (trauma-based assessments prenatal through age 6)?
 - iii. Were there families that were identified for Child First and didn't get services?
 - iv. Were there families that went through Child First that required DCF engagement?

6. Administration (HR)

- a. Staff ratios
- b. Caseloads by social workers
- c. Turnover rates by office and by year

7. Behavioral Health

a. Questions

- i. Are children receiving services in congregate care?
- ii. What type of services and how often?
- iii. What percentage of work being done is BH and is not part of child welfare/protective services?

b. Data

- i. In-patient and out-of-patient counts overtime (10 years) by race/ethnicity
- ii. Re-entry into care (# of instances)

8. Congregate care/group homes

a. Length of time in care

- i. # of general interventions or supports required (eg BH, medical/dental/vision, educational) and # of BH interventions accomplished
- ii. Number of children in group homes
- iii. Staff turnover rates by group home
- iv. Staff ratios by group home

b. SOLNIT tracking and outcome data (see a report?)

- i. Number of children
- ii. Staff turnover rates by group home
- iii. Staff ratios by group home
- iv. # of general interventions or supports required (eg BH, medical/dental/vision, educational) and # of BH interventions accomplished
- v. Length of time in care
- vi. Re-entry into care

9. Helpful reports to review/incorporate: CFSR, DRS Reports, Results-oriented management reports (ROM), CT KIND, QI in-home review, and Differential response review