

9.15.26
DCF Dashboard Working Group Meeting
Minutes

- Rosemary's discussion based on the last meeting
 - Hyperlink to stagnate reports
 - Additional reports to add, they will let us know at the next meeting
 - Metrics that might be helpful: commencement, completion of investigation, substantiation rates, permanency rates, and repeat maltreatment → can show 10-year trend view
 - They are tailoring the visuals to the public
- Iancu's visual presentation
 - Landing page with different reports
 - Interactive map where you can drill into data, no confidential information
 - Children in placement map
 - Broken up by town and region
 - Broken down by race
 - 0 versus suppressed
 - Monthly view by placement type
 - Visuals for each town as well
 - Map can be used as a filter control
 - Flow of reports through the intake phase → functions similar to a funnel
 - Scale it to data
 - Let the public know which DCF reports are substantiated
 - Could also include certain parts of the pathways data
 - Can also have bars for accepted reports and which reports have prior history
 - Including data point about different levels of acuity, newer v. older reports
 - Terms/definitions on the visuals, glossary for the landing pages
 - Seeing total cases and per case worker so that we can indicate chronic issues per region
 - Average of averages for caseloads could be more helpful for the public
 - Adding up individual utilization number is not useful for the public, aggregate masks the variation amongst case workers and risk for workers that are overutilized
 - How many staff have been over 100% for more than 30 days → good metric to visualize it
 - Table view for trends would be better for quarterly
 - Tabular data and rows for disaggregated data like race and gender, long term data
- Equity discussion

- Which data can be filtered by race/ethnicity? Age?
- Pathways data will be helpful, can use a trend line
- Victims rate per 1,000 and child in placement visitation can be filtered by race and ethnicity
- Disability is more difficult to gather data on → narrative sections of the case plans, those with IEPs
- Only have medical records for certain populations
- Drilling down race and ethnicity data on STARR homes, congregate care, etc.
- Logistical complications with those who belong to multiple races, being counted in one or more categories
- Other/multiracial category can mask an accurate volume, can show it both ways for clarity → Office of Healthcare Strategy recommendation
- Statewide racial/ethnic disproportionality line chart
- Statewide racial/ethnic absolute disparity line chart
- Other agenda points
 - Tracking that kids are getting their needs met
 - Interview data
 - Visitation to be included
- Report
 - Will be able to come back after dashboard is put together and review it, ask for changes
 - Staff and funding are limited, want team to be able to build it
 - DCF will put together priority list for data points, suggested visuals