

CCASSC Quarterly Meeting
August 1-2, 2013
Action Minutes

1. Discussion regarding Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) and impact on Central California counties.

Action: H. Himes referenced a recent CSEC report. He will send to David for distribution to members.

Action: The region is interested in moving beyond CSEC “awareness” and developing action steps that can equip counties in the region to effectively serve the CSEC population. Alameda County has been active with a Bay Area organization (MISSEY). P. Poulsen will invite Alameda County to present at a future CCASSC meeting to help the region begin development of an action plan.

2. Discussion regarding differences in County Travel Policies. Kathy Harwell offered to share the Stanislaus Co. “Purchasing Card & Travel Policy” that was updated in 2013.

Action: K.Harwell will send to David for distribution.

3. Discussion regarding CDSS’s increased use of Counties to perform Group Home and FFA Compliance Monitoring activities. This is becoming a workload issue and borders on being classified as an “unfunded mandate”.

Action: Request CWDA to assess county impact and advocate as necessary.

4. CYC Central Region Office is operating. Joseph Tietz and Hector Cerda presented on plans for the CYC office and recruited counties who do not currently have a local CYC chapter. A large portion of the funding for the office for 2013 is being underwritten by the California Endowment. A sustainability plan is needed.

Action: CCASSC will discuss CYC regional office sustainability for 2014 at the November meeting. H. Himes and D .Foster will offer proposals.

5. A new study by Emily Putnam-Hornstein and Barbara Needell has been published on Child Deaths.

Action: H.Himes will provide a copy for members.

6. MSW graduates Amy Hatcher-Leffingwell, Jerica Ramos, and Maria Bravo presented their research projects.

Action: D.Foster will post on CCASSC website.

7. Dean Jody Hironaka-Juteau (Fresno State) reported that a new Public Health Director’s

Consortium has been formed in the Central Region. It is modeled after CCASSC.

Action: D. Foster will provide information on the consortium and its members. There is potential for collaboration.

8. Elizabeth Breshears (CSU, Stanislaus) may have county-specific data available from her research on child welfare worker's attitudes about corporal punishment. CCASSC counties assisted with the data collection for her study.

Action: D. Foster will inquire and see if the data is available.

9. D. Foster & Virginia Rondero Hernandez presented a concept paper that was developed with John Cullen (CalSWEC) for an "Academy of the Future". It proposes an expanded role for the Bay Area and Central Region Training Academies with workforce development. (Fresno State is now the CDSS contractor for both RTA's). It also suggests opportunities for CCASSC and BASSC to collaborate.

Action: D. Foster and V. Rondero Hernandez will update members at the November meeting.

10. Future CCASSC Meeting dates were set as follows:

November 21-22, 2013 (Central Coast)

February 20-21, 2014 (TBD)

April 24-25, 2014 (TBD)

July 31-August 1, 2014 (TBD)

November 20-21, 2014 (TBD)