



WACF/CA Meeting
September 14, 2016 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
St. Patrick’s Parish Center, 1001 North J Street, Tacoma, WA

WACF Members: Charlotte Booth, Kerry Ann Shaughnessy, Jeff Clare, Brian Carroll, Karen Brady, Joanne Stimson,	CA Members: Jennifer Strus, Jenny Heddin, David Del Villar Fox, Darcy Hancock, Pam McKeown, Connie Lambert-Eckel, Doug Allison
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1. CA Legislative Agenda	<p>David Del Villar Fox reported on the CA’s Legislative Agenda and distributed the <u>2017 CA Potential Request Legislation</u> draft proposals, none of which have been approved by the Governor’s office.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Repeal Part II (Private Agency Case Management of 2SHB 2106 (2009 legislation) under RCW 74.13. 2. Extend FAR case timeline (from current 45 days, with approved extension to 90 days). 3. Adding 3rd dependency petition filed on same child to the list of aggravated circumstances under RCW 13.34.132. 4. Expungement (Information related to reports of child abuse and neglect, and would amend RCW 26.44.031). 5. Probation Officer sign off on Dependency Petitions (Amend RCW 13.34.040 to clarify that a probation officer does not need to sign off on dependency petitions when the Dept. is the petitioner. 6. Definition of Parent – Amend the definition of parent under dependency statute (RCW 13.34.030). 7. Sharing information with CRC providers – Amend RCW 13.50.010 for information sharing to allow CA to disclose confidential info to the Dept. of Commerce or its contractors (for CRC & HOPE bed providers only) that pertains or would assist with meeting service needs of youth admitted to CRC or HOPE Centers. 	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Supporting CA Social Workers – Amend RCW 9A.36.021 by adding CA, CPS & CWS social workers (case workers) that Assault 3 would apply. 9. Child Only TANF – Elimination of Means Testing, by repealing RCW 74.12.037 – Potential Joint Request Legislation with ESA. David was told that this will not be moving forward. 10. Justice of Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015 – Necessary to be compliant with PL 114-22, that amended the definition of child abuse and neglect and sexual abuse under CAPTA. 11. Certified Mailing of Unfounded Finding Notification – Amending RCW 26.44.100. Co-administration (with ESA in the lead). 	
<p>2. CA Decision Packages</p>	<p>Jenny Heddin went over the Decision Packages. All Maintenance Level and Policy Level Decision Packages will be made public on their website on Friday September 16th: https://www.dshs.wa.gov/fsa/budget/central-budget-office-cbo. The DP's Jenny covered were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To replace the SSPS system with a new vendor-based system that will generate payments to providers who deliver services to families and children. This time it will be a joint project between DEL, ESA, and CA requesting a new enterprise system at a cost of \$2.5 million. • Additional staff (61 new staff) to assist with the caseload at a cost of \$8.8 million. • Funds that would allow CA to reinstate mileage reimbursement for supervised visitation providers and fully reimburse travel time for all services provided to families, (including under 60 miles) at a cost of \$7.9 million. • Increasing placement options by hiring additional DLR staff. • Performance-based contracting – request for projected cost of setting up new Network Administrators on the west side (Regions 2&3) and additional funding for subscription fees for Oliver at a cost of \$4.3 million. • Improving the placement continuum, a “placeholder” for the Placement Stability Proviso. Emergent placement costs included in this DP. 	
<p>3. WACF Legislative Agenda</p>	<p>Brian briefly explained the change from the WACF Legislative Committee to the Public Policy Committee with the two arms, Legislative & Administrative. He informed CA of the BRS Division name change to Intensive Services Division. Since the WACF division's one-pagers are still being finalized, the WACF Legislative Agenda was not presented, but Brian discussed what they can expect to be on the WACF Legislative Agenda. It will include promoting post-adoption support.</p>	

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4. WACF Administrative Agenda Issues	Understanding that with the McCleary decision, the full cost of care won't be pushed until the next biennium.	
5. Ongoing WACF Division Agenda Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPA: Licensing/Mileage Reimbursement for Visitation • Intensive Services (BRS): Placement Stability Proviso – Continuum of Care • FPSS: Full Rate for Travel & Support for Visitation Services 	Jenny did say that the likelihood of the Governor including travel reimbursement in his budget isn't very high.	
6. Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission	Charlotte informed CA of the upcoming meeting with WACF and the Governor's Blue Ribbon Committee. Jennifer discussed the three scenarios for consideration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.) Create a separate agency and put all the service dollars in it (taken off the table) b.) DEL with prevention services added in c.) DEL with all CA added in Brian has been impressed with the level of knowledge on trauma and the brain in the conversations at the focus groups. He said that WACF will support by answering surveys and attending focus groups and also will have feedback when the final report comes out.	

Prepared by Linda Conchi