



**MINUTES**  
**Family Preservation and Support Services Division**  
**July 11, 2019**  
**1:00 to 3:00 PM**

**Members attending:** Carla Arnold, Charlotte Booth, Karla Cain, Debra Hatton, Christi Lyson, Molly Phillips, Kerry Ann Shaughnessy  
**Staff attending:** Jill May

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Call to order , introductions and June minutes</b></li> </ul>	<p>Our newest member, Molly Phillips from Family Counseling NW, was welcomed.</p>	<p>The minutes were accepted.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Debrief July 11 contract meeting with Tim Kelly</b></li> </ul>	<p>We walked through the fee tables and the proposed new combined in home services contract and identified items we would like changed. These included dropping the requirement for DCYF approval of concrete funds expenditures, being able to purchase educational toys, being able to have hard services dollars available in PCIT, deleting language that says contractors “shall” follow the service guide, elimination of the Google map when billing for travel, elimination of the need to develop a local protocol with each region for referrals and other processes, and elimination of the need for approval to drive over 50 miles.</p>	<p>Tim appeared open to all of these changes except requiring approval for driving over 50 miles; he did point out that it is allowable in rural areas to get blanket approval to travel to certain areas and not have to request approval for each referral.</p> <p>We will not know which changes will actually be made until the new contract comes out.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Items for foundation funding</b></li> </ul>	<p>We discussed programs that serve children birth to 3 that might be added to the service array if additional research were funded. We discussed the need for additional strong providers in some areas of the state, the idea of funding core trainings required by contract, and funding a rate analysis for the in home services.</p>	<p>Jill will talk with the funders.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2020 Advocacy Priorities</b></li> </ul>	<p>For legislation advocacy we discussed: increase in hourly rate for travel; changes needed in the background check process, particularly the assessment of character, competence and suitability.</p> <p>For administrative advocacy we discussed performance based contracting, service “transformation”, and the need to better support training and QA for the EBPs.</p>	<p>Our legislative advocacy agenda will include being paid full rate for travel time and support of whatever bill Rep Ortiz-Self introduces regarding background checks.</p> <p>Our administrative advocacy agenda will include increased collaboration with DCYF regarding performance based contracting and service “transformation”.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vice Chair of the Division</b></li> </ul>	<p>This item was not covered.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adjournment</b></li> </ul>		<p>The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.</p>