



12:30 – 1:00 p.m. Thursday June 7, 2018
WACF Intensive Services Division Meeting Minutes
Lutheran Community Services Northwest
4040 South 188th Street, SeaTac WA 98188, 3rd Floor

Members Present: Karen Brady, Josh Fullington, Kris Sanborn, Linda Thomas, Jill May, Nikki Brown, Kymm Dozal

Members on phone: John Hindman, Heather Hansen, Brian Carroll, Amber McPhee Millard

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions
1. Agency Updates	<p>Nikki reported that CYS has narrowed down the candidates for their CEO position to the top 3 people. They're hoping to have a replacement for Scott Hanauer in the next 2 weeks.</p> <p>Karen reported that Ryther has struggled financially for quite some time with their contract for BRS services. When Frockt proposed the bill for fully funding BRS care, they were hopeful, but the bill was rewritten and the bigger providers did not get any increases. Ryther's board decided they can no longer sustain this kind of loss on their contract. They met with the dept. and the dept. was very clear they can't continue to lose providers and they said they want to fix this and they're working on it. Therefore, Ryther is not terminating their contract and Karen's hopeful that there will be a remedy for everyone.</p>	
2. BRS Rate Study	<p>Statewide BRS Workgroup meeting to address Rate Study issues scheduled for June 12, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. - 4045 Delridge Way SW Suite 300 Seattle, WA 98106, Conference room 353.</p> <p>Karen talked about how CA just signed a contract with Public Consultant Group (PCG) and the first rates they will look at are BRS rates. She's hopeful they will address the cost of care and how to determine when rates should change. She encourages members to be as forthcoming and transparent as possible around</p>	

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	<p>their agency's finances. Some of the things members would like to be able to communicate with PCG during their rate study are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Besides giving PCG numbers, agencies would like to be able to explain what drives those costs Regional differences in costs What have they done in other states? 	
3. New chair/vice chair in July	Next month, Nikki Brown will take over as chair of the Intensive Services Division and will run the meetings. John Hindman will take over as vice chair of the division.	
4. Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Prepared by Linda Conchi