



**10:00 a.m. – Noon, Monday January 5, 2017**  
**Intensive Services Division Meeting**  
**Lutheran Community Services**  
**4040 South 188<sup>th</sup> Street, SeaTac WA 98188, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

<p><b>Members Present:</b> Carol Almero, Dave Kucklick, Jen Kamel, Julie Robinson, Kris Sanborn, Mary Johnson, Shawn Sivly</p>	<p><b>Members Absent:</b> Andrew Hill, April Stallings, Brian Carroll, Chuck Cole, DeAnn Adams, Ellie Carrithers, Erin Hathaway, Heather Hanson, Jeff Judy, Jenn Ryan, Jessie DiPardo, Josh Fullerton, Katie Bass, Kymm Dozal, Linda Thomas, Michael Yu, Mark Fullington, Megan Kelly, Nancy Nicholas, Nichole Southard, Nikki Brown, Rachel Stewart-MacTavish, Rhianna Brill, Rod Johnson, Roger Iino, Ryan Kiely, Sara Schumacher, Shelly Hahn, Terry Pottmeyer, Tom Rembiesa</p>
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<p><b>1. Meeting with Meri Waterhouse</b></p>	<p>This was a shared agenda item with the CPA Division.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fostering Together utilizes N.W. Resources to help collect and track data. Date tracked includes recruitment and retention data. They are hoping to find out why families are not completing the licensing process.</li> <li>• Fostering Together contracts with Olive Crest on the west side of the state and Eastern Washington University on the east side for recruitment.</li> <li>• Currently, Fostering Together is getting 500-600 inquiries per month regarding foster parenting</li> <li>• The two contracted agencies track and contact families and help the families through the process.</li> <li>• Families are asked to find agencies that best fit them.</li> <li>• The department is looking at how to recruit more diverse families. The best results seem to come from the local level. It is good to have a panel of community members including business owners.</li> <li>• Meri handed out a flier regarding foster youth ability to have a membership at the Pacific Science Center</li> </ul>	

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<p><b>2. Meeting with Michael Campbell</b></p>	<p>Discussion Item: Increased training requirements for volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers must now have 16 hours of initial training followed by 24 hours of training each year. This is more training than foster parents are required to have (12 hours per year).</li> <li>• Michael cited the WAC that pertains to this issue:  <b>WAC 388-145-1475</b>  <b><i>What are the requirements for volunteers working directly with children/youth at my facility?</i></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) These <b>volunteers</b> must meet the licensing requirements listed in this chapter, including meeting the qualifications for direct care staff and must:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Be at least twenty-one years of age unless they are between eighteen and twenty-one years of age in an internship or practicum program as per WAC <a href="#">388-145-1445</a>;</li> <li>(b) Be supervised at all times by at least one paid staff member or designated volunteer meeting the qualifications of a program manager, working on-site. (Volunteers meeting program manager qualifications may provide direct care unsupervised.); and</li> <li>(c) Receive the facility's preservice training that addresses the needs of the population of children in care.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <b>WAC 388-145-1490</b>  <b><i>What is the preservice training requirement for staff and <b>volunteers</b> having direct care responsibility to children/youth?</i></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Prior to having unsupervised contact with children, staff and volunteers must have a minimum of sixteen hours of preservice training, including policies and procedures, job responsibilities and facility administration. This requirement is in addition to required first aid and cardiopulmonary training (CPR) in WAC <a href="#">388-145-1500</a> and required HIV/AIDS/bloodborne pathogen training in WAC <a href="#">388-145-1505</a>. Preservice training must be relevant to the type of children and families and the program services you provide.</li> </ol> <b>WAC 388-145-1495</b>  <b><i>What is the in-service training requirement for staff and volunteers having responsibility to provide care to children/youth?</i></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) If you have employees in your agency, you must offer in-service training programs for developing and upgrading staff skills. If you have five or more employees or volunteers, your training plan must be in writing.</li> <li>(2) Staff must complete a minimum of twenty-four hours of ongoing education and in-service training annually. Training must be relevant to the problems experienced by the children you serve,</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">Mi</p> </li> </ul>	<p>Michael indicated that in order for this requirement to change, the WAC would need to be changed.</p>

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	<p>Discussion Item: Language restricting Receiving and Assessment Centers from admitting children who have “disrupted” from their placement.</p> <p>Michael sited the RCW that pertains to this issue:  <b>RCW 74.15.311</b>  <b>Resource and assessment centers—License.</b></p> <p>(1) .....</p> <p>(4) Resource and assessment centers may not be used to address placement disruptions for children who have been removed from a foster home because of behavior or safety concerns.</p> <p>Safety concerns is not narrowly defined as pertaining only to the child’s behavior. As a result, safety is broadly applied.</p> <p>Discussion Item: Given the Governor’s budget, does CA have any plans to address the placement crisis?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Many of the placement crisis around teens has been helped by the Emergency Services Contracts. There continues to be a placement crisis with younger children.</li> <li>• There are providers looking to begin or expand services for BRS children and youth which will help.</li> </ul>	<p>In order to change this stipulation, the RCW will need to be changed with legislative action.</p>