## A Better Future for Probation Foster Youth

APRIL 16-17. 2018 | SACRAMENTO CONVENTION CENTER



### MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018

#### **CCR CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

• Location: 3rd Floor Sacramento Convention Center

#### 8:30 am - 8:45 am **WELCOME REMARKS**

Chief Jim Salio, San Luis Obispo County Probation

• Location: Room 307-314

#### 8:45 am - 9:00 am **LEGISLATIVE WELCOME**

Assembly Member Mark Stone (D – 29th Assembly District)

• Location: Room 307-314

#### 9:05 am - 10:30 am **GENERAL SESSION**

#### JUVENILE JUSTICE TRENDS AND THE CONTINUUM OF CARE REFORM

As CCR enters its second year, it intersects with a longer-term trend in juvenile probation and juvenile justice. Long term declines in juvenile arrest rates and youth system involvement are signs of successful partnerships and shifts in practices. From the state, county and provider perspective, CCR is part of a larger set of themes that will be explored by the panel.

- Speakers: Chief Mark Hake, Riverside County Probation Kevin O'Connell, Research Analyst, Chief Probation Officers of California Sara Rogers, CCR Branch Chief, California Department of Social Services Chris Burns, Executive Director, Boys Republic
- Location: Room 307-314

#### 10:30 am - 10:45 am **CCR CONFERENCE NETWORKING BREAK**

• Location: Registration Desk Foyer, 3rd Floor Sacramento Convention Center

#### 10:45 am - 11:30 am **GENERAL SESSION**

#### UNDERSTANDING THE YOUTH AND FAMILY EXPERIENCE IN THE MIDST OF REFORM

What has the youth and family experience been like under CCR? This segment will feature youth and family sharing their thoughts and experiences in working with county probation and providers while California seeks to improve the services and supports offered to foster youth and their families.

- Speakers: Brandi Wafer, Resource Parent Alan Cole, Senior Deputy Probation Officer, Solano County Probation
- Moderator: Chief Christopher Hansen, Solano County Probation
- Location: 307-314

#### **CCR CONFERENCE LUNCH**

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11:30 am - 12:30 pm

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### MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 CONTINUED

### 12:35 pm - 2:00 pm CCR CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

SESSION 1: UPDATE ON ALL THINGS RFA: WRITTEN DIRECTIVES AND THE LEVEL OF CARE TOOL

This session will focus on recent updates to the Written Directives 5.0 and the implementation of the Level of Care (LOC) tool. Come hear from CDSS subject matter experts on recent changes and also hear from one of the Probation Pilot Counties about their experience piloting the LOC tool.

- Speakers: Kendra Elmendorf, RFA Implementation Manager, California Department of Social Services
  - Cheryl Treadwell, Chief, Foster Care Audits and Rates Branch, California Department of Social Services
  - Mark Nguyen, Deputy Probation Officer III, Santa Clara County Probation
- Moderator: Kimberly Rankin, Program Division Manager, Juvenile Services, Kings County Probation
- Location: Room 306
- SESSION 2: ENSURING YOUR INTERAGENCY PLACEMENT COMMITTEE MAKES THE RIGHT DECISION

How can probation staff help the IPC understand a youth's needs, especially mental health treatment needs, and make sure everything is in place for the best outcome? This session will focus on what some counties are doing to prep for their IPC meetings and how county agencies are working collaboratively to understand changes to placement post CCR.

- Speakers: Eric Branson, Assistant Director, Placer County ChildrenSystem of Care Cindy Claflin, Program Manager, NorCal Mental Health America Brian Passenheim, Probation Manager, Placer County Probation/Children's System of Care Jorge Aguilar, Senior Probation Officer, San Diego County Probation Ruth Cisneros, Protective Services Worker III, Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare, San Diego County
- Moderator: Richard Knecht, Integrated Services Advisor, California Department of Social Services
- Location: Room 315

#### SESSION 3: EFFECTIVE PREVENTION STRATEGIES PUT INTO ACTION

This session will focus on effective prevention strategies implemented by county probation departments to reduce out-of-home placement for youth being served by the probation department. Discussion will include specific services and programs that departments are referring youth to as well as department policy and/or practice changes implemented as a result of CCR that have also resulted in a reduction in placements.

- Speakers: David Chapman, Juvenile Field Services Division Director, Stanislaus County Probation Vone Kegarice, Probation Division Manager, Santa Clara County Probation
- Moderator: Shaunda Cruz, Chief Deputy, Sacramento County Probation
- Location: Room 304-305

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### MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 CONTINUED

### 2:00 pm - 2:15 pm CCR CONFERENCE NETWORKING BREAK

• Location: Registration Desk Foyer, 3rd Floor Sacramento Convention Center

### 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm CCR CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

#### **★** SESSION 4: AB 1299 — THE INS AND OUTS OF PRESUMPTIVE TRANSFER

This session will focus on the implementation of AB 1299 and feature speakers from the California Department of Social Services, Department of Health Care Services, and Napa County Probation. Come to this session to hear more about what is required of placing agencies and behavioral health departments as it pertains to presumptive transfer. Additionally, Napa County Probation will share what they have done locally to implement AB 1299.

- Speakers: Mary Sheppard, Chief, Child Protection and Family Support Branch, California Department of Social Services Erika Cristo, Program Policy and Quality Assurance Branch Chief, Department of Health Care
  - Services
    Craig Burch, Chief Deputy Probation Officer, Napa County Probation
- Moderator: Loc Nguyen, Retired Child and Family Services Director/Consultant, County Child Welfare Directors Association
- Location: Room 306

#### SESSION 5: REVIEW OF RECENT LEGISLATIVE CHANGES AND WHAT THEY MEAN FOR CCR

Having trouble keeping up with the clean-up measures each year? You are not the only one. This breakout session will include an update on the changes contained within AB 404, the 2017 CCR clean-up measure. Details on specific topics contained in all county letters (ACLs) will be offered in other breakout sessions while this session will serve as an overview on changes in statute affecting implementation of CCR. Additionally, this session will feature a high-level overview of the Family First Prevention Services Act.

- Speakers: Krsangi Knickerbocker, Legislative Consultant, California Department of Social Services
  - Megan Lape, Federal Legislative Coordinator, California Department of Social Services Sara Rogers, CCR Branch Chief, California Department of Social Services
- Moderator: Jess Torrecampo, Chief, Policy & Performance Bureau Continuum of Care Reform Branch, California Department of Social Services
- Location: Room 315

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### **SESSION 6: WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE STRONG TEAM DECISIONS**

This session will focus on what makes for a strong CFT. Hear more about effective strategies in teaming specific to CFTs under CCR. Panelists will highlight the successes they are seeing and how they are overcoming challenges to scheduling, differing opinions among CFT members, among many other discussion topics.

- Speakers: Mandee Woods, Senior Probation Officer, Riverside County Probation Piper Lee-Schulz, Senior Probation Officer, Riverside County Probation Chief Jennifer Branning, Lassen County Probation
- Moderator: Richard Knecht, Integrated Services Advisor, California Department of Social Services
- Location: Room 304-305

#### 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm GENERAL SESSION: Q&A WITH THE STATE

We welcome back our state subject matter experts and provide an opportunity for attendees to pose your burning questions to the state. Be sure to utilize the index cards to write your questions down for panelists and submit them at the registration desk.

• Speakers: Mary Sheppard, Chief, Child Protection and Family Support Branch, California Department of Social Services

Kim Wrigley, Bureau Chief, RFA and Communications Bureau, California Department of Social Services

Sara Rogers, CCR Branch Chief, California Department of Social Services Dina Kokkos-Gonzales, Chief, Mental Health Services Division, Department of Health Care Services

Erika Cristo, Program Policy and Quality Assurance Branch Chief, Department of Health Care Services

• Location: Room 307-314

#### 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm CCR NETWORKING RECEPTION

To get the most from your conference experience, we invite you to attend the reception with key members from your department, county and/or agency partners! Light reception fare and no host bar will be provided.

• Location: Sheraton Grand Hotel, Magnolia Ballroom

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• Location: 3rd Floor Sacramento Convention Center

#### 8:00 am - 8:10 am WELCOME REMARKS

Chief Mark Hake, Riverside County Probation

• Location: Room 307-314

#### 8:10 am - 9:40 am GENERAL SESSION

#### ADDRESSING STRESS AND TRAUMA IN THE WORKPLACE

We'll kick off Day 2 with Dr. Isaiah Pickens, a nationally recognized expert, who will focus on the many faces of trauma experienced by our staff, including vicarious trauma and secondary traumatic stress. County agencies and service providers across the state are working to make their systems more trauma-informed. Working with foster youth, including probation foster youth and their families, exposes professionals to events and histories that can result in stress and compassion fatigue. If left unaddressed, especially for those of us who have experienced our own trauma, can become toxic. Learn strategies to promote self-care and wellness for yourself and your organization.

- Speaker: Dr. Isaiah Pickens, PhD, Licensed Clinical Psychologist, An iOpening Enterprise
- Location: Room 307-314

### 9:40 am - 10:00 am CCR NETWO

#### **CCR NETWORKING BREAK**

• Location: Registration Desk Foyer, 3rd Floor Sacramento Convention Center

#### 10:00 am - 11:45 am

#### **GENERAL SESSION**

#### A ROADMAP FOR RECRUITING RESOURCE PARENTS FOR PROBATION FOSTER YOUTH

Recruiting resource parents is a marathon and not a sprint. Whether you are investing in family finding or recruiting non-relatives both require tenacity and lots of guidance by the placing agency. We are excited to have Michael Sanders, a leading recruiter and trainer on the subject of foster parent recruitment, join us for this general session and later as a facilitator for one of our breakout sessions. He will give us an overview of what successful recruitment and support programs look like, why it is important that your entire agency commit to the process and how to stay motivated when success seems all but unattainable.

- Introduction by: Chief Stephanie James, San Joaquin County Probation
- Speaker: Michael Sanders, Consultant, The 220 Experience
- Location: Room 307-314

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11:45 am - 12:45 pm

#### **CCR CONFERENCE LUNCH**

Location: Room 307-314

#### 12:50 pm - 2:15 pm

#### **CCR CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

### \* SESSION 7: CCR FUNDING STREAMS: WHAT IS ALLOWABLE AND WHAT IF IT ISN'T ENOUGH

Interested in hearing more about how funding for CCR works and get clarification on a specific program and what is an allowable expense? Then this session is for you! Come hear from CDSS experts on the various CCR Funding streams and recent County Fiscal Letters. This session will also feature a review of the reconciliation process and how the state and counties will work together to assess if funding levels are sufficient to cover new workload requirements.

- Speakers: Linda Hall, Staff Services Manager, California Department of Social Services
  Dana Delmastro, Research Program Specialist, California Department of Social Services
  Jarret Yee, Manager, Fiscal Analysis and Allocation Unit, California Department of Social Services
  Jon Somma, Research Program Specialist III, Fiscal Forecasting and Policy Branch, California
  Department of Social Services
- Moderator: Ferlyn Buenafe, Staff Services Manager, Napa County Probation
- Location: Room 306

#### SESSION 8: CONNECTING EDUCATION TO THE SUCCESS OF CCR

This session will focus on how counties can successfully partner with educational partners to implement CCR and achieve greater academic success for foster youth. Presenters from the California Department of Education and Lassen County Probation will cover such topics as educational stability/educational rights, impacts of CCR on education, the role of education in CFTs and best practices.

- Speakers: Jacqueline Thu-Huong Wong, Statewide Director, Foster Youth Services Program, California Department of Education
  Chief Jennifer Branning, Lassen County Probation
- Moderator: Jill Silva, Retired Chief Probation Officer/Consultant, Chief Probation Officers of California
- Location: Room 315

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- SESSION 9: GETTING TO YES: BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS TO ACHIEVE SUCCESSFUL PLACEMENTS

  In this session, the panel will share their experiences in working to ensure successful placements specifically around youth with significant behavioral and/or mental health needs and their efforts to partner with providers to address the needs of youth. Further, CDSS will be on hand to share information on what is being done to support county placing agencies and providers to ensure placement stability. Audience sharing is strongly encouraged. If you have a challenging case you are working on, please feel free to share and hear problem-solving ideas from colleagues around
  - Speakers: Lisa Campbell-Motton, Director Los Angeles County Probation, Child Welfare Placement Permanency and Quality Assurance Roverto Hernandez, Probation Officer III, San Joaquin County Probation Jess Torrecampo, Chief, Policy & Performance Bureau Continuum of Care Reform Branch, California Department of Social Services Aubree Sweeney, LMFT, Assistant Executive Director, Rancho San Antonio
  - Moderator: Elizabeth Siggins, Consultant, Chief Probation Officers of California
  - Location: Room 304-305

#### 2:25 pm - 3:40 pm

#### **CCR CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

SESSION 10: ENSURING SUCCESS POST PLACEMENT THROUGH SUSTAINABLE TRANSITION AND AFTERCARE SERVICES

CCR aims to reform and reduce congregate care in California. Part of our success will be to ensure successful transitions, strengthen families through aftercare and preserve all the hard work done by foster youth to transform their lives, but how? This session will focus on what innovative ideas counties have come up with to achieve this goal and include a discussion about how to address the barriers to transition and aftercare services going forward.

- Speakers: Victoria Contreras-Wolfe, Supervising Probation Officer, Santa Clara County Probation Mark Nickell, Executive Director of San Francisco and Santa Clara Regions Seneca Family of Agencies
  - Sara Rogers, CCR Branch Chief, California Department of Social Services
- Moderator: Chief Mary Butler, Napa County Probation
- Location: Room 306

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#### **★** SESSION 11: STRTPS, ISFC AND TFC: HOW ARE THEY FUNDED?

This session will focus on giving attendees a clearer understanding of how short term residential treatment programs (STRTPs) are funded under the board and care rate and when funding under Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) is added. Further, if Intensive Services Foster Care (ISFC) and Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC) continue to allude you, look no further as this session will provide an overview of how each is funded and what services are covered under each program.

- Speakers: Cheryl Treadwell, Chief, Foster Care Audits and Rates Branch, California Department of Social Services Kim Suderman, Retired Director of Yolo County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health/Consultant, County Behavioral Health Directors Association
- Moderator: Jill Silva, Retired Chief Probation Officer/Consultant, Chief Probation Officers of California
- Location: Room 315

#### ◆ SESSION 12: USING CCR FUNDING TO SUCCESSFULLY RECRUIT AND SUPPORT RESOURCE PARENTS

How are probation and child welfare departments recruiting and supporting resource families? What challenges have been encountered? What do plans C & D look like, when plans A & B failed? This session will focus on lessons learned to date and how Foster Parent Recruitment Retention and Support funding can assist you.

- Speakers: Dahiana Diaz, Social Worker III, Solano County Probation
  Tricia Knight, Manager, Foster Caregiver Policy and Support Unit,
  California Department of Social Services
  Jose Gonzalez, Social Worker III, Child Welfare Services, Tulare County Health and Human
  Services Agency
  Steven Tagawa, Policy Analyst, California Department of Social Services
  Kristyn Coburn, Placement Unit, San Diego County Probation
- Moderator: Michael Sanders, Consultant, The 220 Experience
- Location: Room 304-305

### 3:45 pm - 4:00 pm

#### **GENERAL SESSION**

### WINNER'S CIRCLE AND CONFERENCE WRAP-UP

Review conference highlights, lessons learned and ah-ha moments of the last two days.

• Location: Room 307-314