

**Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect
Mental Health Standards Committee Meeting
Agenda
Friday, December 9, 2016
9:30 a.m.
Hall of Justice**

Present: **Shannon Lowder, Judge Sykes, Carol Hackett Garagiola (ph)**, Gary Anderson, **Sue Hull, Mary Chaliman**, Ashley Wills, Jessica Guthrie, **Tom Cottrell (ph)**, Tracy Crawford, Jason Schwartz, David Garvin, **Kim Batsche-McKenzie (ph)**, **Joyce Siegel (ph)**

Committee Mission Statement: To improve the quality of services to the vulnerable population of children and parents involved in the child welfare system by supporting, educating and guiding the mental health clinicians involved in that care.

1. Welcome and Roll Call
2. Update regarding MiATSA meeting/training 10/18 in Grand Rapids (Carol) – related to goal of developing sexual abuse specific content - *Meeting went very well. Next step is a work group with Carol, Tom, Joyce, Shannon to work out curriculum. Will try to include Elizabeth ? for youth offenders and Danielle ? for CAC involvement.*
3. Status of Safe and Together Model training for Relias (Carol) *Carol connected Dave Mendel and Relias. Suggestion that we record Dave's May 2017 Summit presentation and include that in the Relias content. Carol will contact Dave to see if this is possible.*
4. Update on adoption of other specific recommendations/goals for GTFAN in implementing specific recommendations from TFPSAC. Other objectives:

Objective A: Explore local offices to discover specialties and approving them to provide specific training. *No notes regarding this*

Objective B: Research possible certification program for mental health professionals for working with sexual offenders. *MiATSA had ideas about this and they use guidelines for belonging to their group. Will be explored further*

Objective C: Discover if MDOC has specific criteria for hiring/training therapists working with sexual offenders. *They require MiASTA membership, no certification.*

Objective D: Advocate that training on sexual abuse be mandatory in mental health graduate programs in Michigan. *No notes*

5. Update regarding contracts for evaluators *Bids went out for trauma assessments and were already rated. Next step to look at financial piece. Capacity to parent evals and regular kid evals probably next up for bid.*
6. New idea – partnering with LARA for mandatory mental health trainings *Interest in this. Dr. Tana Bridge will come to 2/17 Committee meeting and explore further.*

7. New idea – mandated mental health support for DHHS employees involved with Child Death **Interest in this. DHHS people concerned about union, so will invite Ray Holman to 2/17 meeting to explore further**
8. Next meeting February 17, 2017 Hall of Justice 9:30 a.m.