

MINUTES

Hanover County CPMT

Date | time 3/10/2022 1:03 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Jim Taylor

In Attendance

Jim Taylor | Ivy Sager | Sheila Crossen-Powell | Diane Brown
Karen Stalzer | Claiborne Warner | Jackie Manzer | Julie Dubee

Les Beasley, Bernie Jordan and Karen Butler attended the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from February 24, 2022 were approved as submitted

Fiscal Report

Jim Taylor updated CPMT that additional funding (\$215,000 local, \$167,000 state) for the CSA program was approved by the Board of Supervisors. Jim Taylor also mentioned the reserve for contingencies for emergencies has been utilized a lot this fiscal year and only a small portion of the original budget remains.

Jackie Manzer shared the fiscal report. As of February 28, 2022, mandated and non-mandated spending totaled \$3,280,000, which is higher than the same time last year by \$221,000. Encumbrances totaled \$3.7 million, which is \$113,000 higher than the same time last year. Spent and encumbered totaled \$6,995,000 which is \$336,000, or 5% higher than the same time last year.

Residential spent and encumbered is \$433,000, which is lower than last year by \$186,000. TFC spent and encumbered is \$947,000, which is higher than last year by \$233,000. Private day and residential education spent and encumbered is \$3,865,000, which is similar to last year – higher by only \$11,000. Community-based spent and encumbered is \$1,515,000, which is higher than last year by \$246,000. Family Foster Care, which includes Fostering Futures, spent and encumbered is \$130,000. This is similar to last year – higher by \$6,000.

Medicaid billing is also close to last year. In comparing 6 months from last year and 6 months to this year, last year was \$197,000 and this year \$176,000.

Administrative

Rendell Briggs from the Office of Children's Services joined Hanover CPMT to conduct the Audit Entrance Conference. Mr. Brigg's shared that he has initiated the self-assessment validation based on the self-assessment work we submitted. He will complete and validate findings and will start working closely with Hanover CSA towards the end of the month. Mr. Briggs also noted some common findings across the state.

Sheila Crossen-Powell provided an update on the Department of Social Services Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) funding. She shared they received \$48,899, which has a 15.8% local match. PSSF funding is broken down into four categories, which each category serving a different population. Sheila noted that DSS should have eight children who have adoptions finalized in FY23.

Closed Session*

Upon a motion by Claiborne Warner and seconded by Sheila Crossen-Powell, CPMT went into Closed Session for consideration of funding requests on behalf of services for particular children and/or families.

Jim Taylor followed up on the school transportation costs discussion from the last CPMT meeting. Sheila Crossen-Powell updated that one of the clients will be starting a trial home placement and will no longer require CSA funded transportation. The other client will continue to require school transportation through the end of the school year.

Julie Dubee highlighted a few cases for CPMT. CASE #2767 has high costs associated with a group home placement and community-based services. This client should be returning home to their family by the end of the month, after a lengthy stay in residential facilities and a group home. CASE #2768 has higher costs associated with multiple community-based services, including home-based counseling and an attachment intervention. This client is finally making progress and engaged in services. Julie Dubee also noted sibling CASES #2880 and #2881. Both clients are placed in a TFC placement and receive school transportation, and daycare. CASE #2881 also receives guided visitation services. Sheila Crossen-Powell noted Hanover DSS is funding interpreter services for this client through DSS BL830.

Lastly, Julie Dubee highlighted CASES #2883 and #2884 – both of whom were recently placed residentially. Their higher costs are associated with CSA funding the residential placements until they become eligible for Medicaid after 30 days in placement. Unfortunately, CASE #2883 was discharged from the facility after a few weeks and the case manager is seeking alternate placements.

Sheila Crossen-Powell added that DSS has located a TFC placement for CASE #2790 and they will be stepping down from a residential placement. CPMT also discussed that this client's current placement is closing and a trend of residential facilities closing across the state. Sheila Crossen-Powell shared information from a recent Child and Family meeting attended by the Office of the Children's Ombudsman. They also discussed the high number of out of state youth placed in Virginia residential programs, as Virginia is having to seek more and more out of state placements. Claiborne Warner shared about legislation that would require residential facilities to take a "no reject/no eject" policy when working with youth in foster care.

Claiborne Warner also noted CASE #2675 is doing really well in the out of state placement with family. Claiborne also shared the positive working relationship between this clients DSS worker and VHBC.

There were no copayment items to discuss.

Upon a motion by Karen Stalzer and seconded by Claiborne Warner, the meeting was reconvened. Sheila Crossen-Powell made a motion to certify the closed session and this motion was seconded by Karen Stalzer. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Freedom of Information Act; only such public business matters as were identified in the motion for Closed Session were discussed. All CPMT members voted Aye.

Ivy Sager made a motion to approve the FY22 funding requests as presented. Claiborne Warner the motion. All CPMT members voted to approve the funding requests as presented.

Announcements

Julie Dubee clarified which CPMT members would like to serve on the subcommittee that will examine our use of community-based services.

Ivy Sager shared about the Keeping Teens Safe community conversation being conducted by Hanover CSB, Hanover Schools, Hanover Cares and the Cameron K. Gallagher Foundation. The focus of the event is to understand the importance of talking about teen emotional health. Ivy Sager also shared that Hanover CSB is collaborating with Hanover County Human Resources to offer mental health first aid training.

Lastly, Ivy Sager shared exciting news about their newest employee – a therapeutic service dog. The dog is actually trained as a facility dog, so is able provide support to multiple clients.

Next Meeting: **Date |time:** 24 March 2022 at 1:00 p.m. / **Location:** Hanover DSS Large Conference Room

Jim Taylor adjourned the meeting at 1:49 PM on March 10, 2022.

**Virginia code section 2.2-5210 Proceedings held to consider the appropriate provision of services and funding for a particular child or family or both who have been referred to the family assessment and planning team and whose case is being assessed by this team or reviewed by the community policy and management team shall be confidential and not open to the public, unless the child and family who are the subjects of the proceeding request, in writing, that it be open. All information about specific children and families obtained by the team members in the discharge of their responsibilities to the team shall be confidential.*

***VA Code section § 2.2-5206. 3. Establish policies to assess the ability of parents or legal guardians to contribute financially to the cost of services to be provided and, when not specifically prohibited by federal or state law or regulation, provide for appropriate parental or legal guardian financial contribution, utilizing a standard sliding fee scale based upon ability to pay; 9. Authorize and monitor the expenditure of funds by each family assessment and planning team or a collaborative, multidisciplinary team process approved by the Council;*