

**New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect  
Prevention Committee  
Maura Somers Dughi, Esq, Chair  
Diana Autin, Esq, Vice-Chair  
January 26, 2012  
9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M  
Minutes**

**In Attendance:**

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| Diana Autin        | SPAN   |
| Adriana Agudelo    | Division of Prevention and Community Partnership     |
| Christine Baker    | Metro RDTC Newark Beth Israel Medial Center          |
| Amanda Blagman     | Advocates for Children of NJ                         |
| Suzanne Conrad     | Consultant   |
| Maura Somers Dughi | Child & Family Advocate                              |
| Gina Hernandez     | Prevent Child Abuse NJ                               |
| Paulette Hines     | Center for Healthy Schools, Families and Communities |
| Alice Hunnicutt    | Department of Labor                                  |
| Natasha Johnson    | DHS-Division of Family Development                   |
| Cheryl Mojta       | Child Assault Prevention Program                     |
| Natasha Palmer     | Department of Education                              |
| Susan Rogers       | Department of Community Affairs                      |
| Pat Stanislaski    | Partnering for Prevention, LLC                       |
| Mary Tovar         | Department of Agriculture                            |

**Staff:**

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| Adrienne E. Jackson | DCF-NJTFCAN |
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**Introduction, Welcome and Review of Minutes**

Introductions were made and November meeting minutes were approved following a lengthy discussion around CTF. On behalf of the Prevention Committee, Pat Stanislaski agreed to listen to November meeting minutes around the “Exploration of CTF” to assess whether or not the minutes need clarification. Adrienne agreed to arrange the meeting.

**Role of Committee Members – Maura Somers Dughi**

Maura acknowledged that questions were raised at prior meetings about the role of the Prevention Committee and how the committee worked with DPCP. There was extended discussion around this and members stated that the committee functioned as an advisory body to DPCP. Conversation continued that the goals and objectives identified the role of the committee and that DPCP would inform the work of the workgroups.

Members were encouraged to bring agenda items to Adrienne’s attention at least five days prior to the meeting.

### **Introduction of DPCP Assistant Director - Adriana Agudelo, Esq**

Adriana Agudelo was introduced. Members obtained a copy of DPCP Strategic Plan dated November 22, 2011. An overview of the document was provided with specific mention of the current vision and mission statement, principles, and logic models containing the mission statements, goals, objectives, outputs, and outcomes for each of the four offices within DPCP.

### **Statement on Prevention – Maura Somers Dughi**

Members received a copy of the Statement on Primary Prevention – developed in 2008. The group was asked to take another look at the document and they agreed to forward comments and edits to Adrienne and Maura on or before February 10, 2012. Adrienne agreed to re-send the statement in a word document following the meeting.

### **Defining/Clarifying the Three (3) Workgroups**

Members agreed to participate in one of the three workgroups:

Feedback Workgroup – Adriana, Christine, Cheryl, Diana, Natasha P, and Susan

Policy Workgroup – Alice, Amanda and Rush

Standards Workgroup – Gina, Maura, Natasha J, Paulette Suzanne, Anthony and Pat

DPCP agreed to identify staff that will participate in the Policy and Standards workgroups. Furthermore, a member from each workgroup agreed to follow up with Adrienne providing feedback on the focus of the work of their group. Adrienne will send contact information of each member to the respective workgroups.

Adrienne agreed to arrange a conference call for the Standards Workgroup following the meeting.

### **Next Meeting & Announcements**

March 1, 2012. Members were reminded to complete and return the Ethics documents as well as the committee application.

An announcement was made about another states effort to increase CTF donation. A copy of “CheckOff” SC was distributed to the members.

Diana Autin discussed the pilot project in Essex County - the Primary Care-Child Psychiatrist Consultation project, connecting primary care physicians with child psychiatrists. An initiative to improve the capacity of doctors to provide coordinated care, particularly for children with special health care needs, was also discussed. Handouts were distributed around those activities, and the Committee was invited to attend a summit scheduled on April 10, 2012.

Cheryl Mojta invited members to attend the 2012 CAP’s Award Luncheon scheduled on Friday, March 30, 2012 at the Trenton Marriott.