

**Minutes**  
Training Advisory Group  
January 16, 2024 @1:00

Present:

Frances Berman  
Donna Lutz  
Vianey Moreno  
Carmen Sanchez  
Generver Thomas  
Kelly Woodard

Emily Becerra  
Jeremy Pannell  
Cheryl Connor  
Brian Semson  
Mayko Vang

Kirstyn Hanner  
Shanel Moore  
Anita Sanchez  
Deserae Soto  
Celeste Ward

1. Welcome/Introductions – Donna Lutz
2. Updates: Donna Lutz
  - RFA convenings DSS (February 28 for Central) – New guidelines. Data shows children are more successful when placed with kin. New federal rules. Not sure how it will affect individual counties. CFPIC is putting on a convening. Collaborating with parent partners, tribes, training curriculum is currently 4 days. How can we build a training program based on the direction taken? There is a nice YouTube video that Kate provided link and regulations. February 28 is the date of the convening for the central region. RFA learning collaborative meets tomorrow.  
[Link to overview video of the Kinship regulation changes: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9dsHuyTkqwl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9dsHuyTkqwl)
  - Retention Workforce – Anita Barbee is doing work in our state tied to retention in the workforce.
  - Overview of January 9 meeting – Donna Lutz gave highlights of the 23-page document.

-CalSWEC contract. The IVE program will continue. UCLA and UC Davis will jointly take on IVE. The contracts are being prepared, according to the State. The Training Services Unit is adding five positions. CACWC, house in Berkeley now, believe it will be included with CARES.

-Adult Services is looking for a home, along with Health Care Access.

-Four Regional Training Academies (RTAs) submitted a response to the States Request for Information (RFI). The State is looking at virtual learning. Four RTAs submitted a response, which the state said was the best they received. They explained we are exempt from an RFA, will be added to the scope of work.

-Training is eliminating one of the satisfaction surveys. One is being dropped. Per Shanel, participants can offer comments, via links.

-CARES Training – Working on communication with counties and connection to academies. Rolling out CAREs. We are waiting for more information from the vendor.

### 3. CACI concerns – Frances Berman

- Concerns include minors are on CACI. They can be on CACI; after 10 years and no further issues, the state takes them off the list. CWS/CMS minor not the alleged perpetrator.
- Allegations against neighbors etc., law enforcement.
- Frances will put her exchange with State in chat.
- Frances provided the Chat she had with the state. Kelly sent it out to all TAG participants via email.

### 4. Leadership Updates – Shanel Moore

Shanel provided several different flyers. In addition to Chat on Zoom call, the flyers were sent out via email. Child Welfare/Adult Welfare can attend academy. One session leads to another; there is still space. Patricia Caudillo is the CCTA

liaison. Opportunities to share progress. Save the dates. Readi for Readi Series. 2024.

Module 1: March 27, 2024, Module 2: March 28, 2024, Module 3, April 22, 2024, and Module 4, April 23, 2024.

Managers summit will occur in May 2024. Sustaining, recruiting workforce retention. Working on quarterly county meetings, to ensure we understand your needs.

Fairness and Equity training – is a half day now, not being extended to a full day.

5. Sharon Diaz – IDA training, Adult Services.  
Put on by Cornell. Great training, it is an 8-session commitment. Free of charge if you register through us. Starts in early March. We will get registered for Central and Bay.
6. Next Meeting  
February 20, 2024 – Zoom – same link.