



Statewide Citizen Review Panel Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 16, 2024

10:00am - 3:00pm

Hale Kipa – 91-2128 Old Fort Weaver Road, Honolulu

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Check-in

Present: Michelle, Chris, Flo, Leah, Noe, Monica, Stephen

Michelle: Will now oversee all mental health services offered at Hale Kipa

- **She will also oversee sex trafficking programs**
- **Hale Kipa will have a Director of Outreach (i.e. YO, JJ programs)**

II. Meeting Minutes

Q. April meeting minutes APPROVED

III. DHS Reports to CRP | Florence Calderon

- **New Director: as of May 9, 2023 Ryan Yamane, MSW**
 - Assistant Director: Trista Spears overseas Social Service
 - So far transition to new leadership is going well
- **Legislation:**
 - Approved shortage differential for social workers
 - Shortage will go into positions that are hard to fill (i.e. assessment workers/specific counties Maui, Hilo, Kona)
 - Added to salary for limited time
 - Only for social workers
 - Hazard pay was approved for staff that worked March 2020 to 2022
 - Based on hours/days worked to qualify
- **Upcoming Audits in 2025**
 - CSFR
 - Title IV-E
- **Civil Beat article regarding recent audit regarding placement of children**
 - DHS is working on the recommendations made in the audit
 - State contracts are rarely monitored/Federal contracts are more closely monitored
 - DHS has over 100 contracts/Flo oversees 1/3 of these contracts

- Also covering for PDA that are out
 - Flo is overseeing Hale Kipa contracts
- DHS is looking at making oversight of contracts a priority
- CSFR Report is a priority: Deadline is coming up soon
- Good news: Number of children entering foster care has decreased with FFH and number of Native Hawaiian in foster care have also decrease
- CQI has completed Hilo review
 - Forward CQI schedule
- CRP Budget
 - Elida and Maria are working on remainder of this year's budget minus February and May travel
 - Approximately \$5000 left. Funds do not roll over
 - Plants?
 - Water Bottles/Stickers: Will be given to sections have their section retreats. Hilo and PD has received theirs.
 - Calm/Mediation room
 - Last payment needs to happen by May 31

IV. CRP Business

Old Business Follow-up

- a. CRP application revision
 - Finalize application: look at comments that Stephen made to application.
 - Application was finalized during meeting.
 - 6 month introductory and evaluation period: co-chair with help of panel with complete evaluation
 - This also give applicant and opportunity to see if panel is a fit for them
- b. By-Laws update: Flo still working on
- c. Welcome documents review: Panel will continue to work on
- d. Recruitment: Joe O'Connell(Hilo), Butch Gima(Lana'i), Karen Holt (Moloka'i), Kailene Napeahi(Waianae)
 - Off application is finalize Noe will send to Joe and Kailene, Michele will send to Karen, and Heidi will send to Butch
 - Michelle may have another person on Molokai also
- e. CRP Annual Report response-address corrected and resend requested
 - Monica has not received yet/spoke to Flo
- f. National CRP conference May 19-21, 2024 updates
 - Per diem was received prior to trip (thank goodness)
 - Three members that are attending will attend different breakout groups and will share with group when they return

- g. Hilo section retreat-(4/17) feedback
 - How could CRP support other section retreats
 - CRP is unable to pay a person to present or pay for food
 - CRP is able to pay for supplies for an activities
 - CRP members can use their relationships in their community to help support future retreats (i.e. gift cards/donations)
 - Play list of different activities (i.e. painting/drawing)
 - Lanyard tags: core values/mission/trauma inform principles

V. CRP Projects

- a. Family First Hawaii
- b. CWS Retention: Survey Monkey questionnaire hui
 - Branch is willing and waiting to be interviewed.
 - Elladine and Tonia are very willing to be part of survey
 - Flo is also willing to be interviewed
 - Noe is also willing as a former employee
 - Will go forth with questions Stephen's to start with interviews
 - Looking interviewing a minimum 2-3 people per county
 - Send name to Chris of possible people to interviews by May 31, 2024
 - General list
 - At next group meeting to create speaking point to asking people to be interviewed
 - June 14: will use this time to create talking points to asking people to participate in interviews. And will select people to interview

Next meeting: June 20, 2024, 8:30am-10:00 via MS Teams