

<b>Date/Time of Meeting</b>	August 11, 2021 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. MT Dial: 415-655-0003 Access code: 177 349 0248 Meeting password: phD6rJX3xM8 (74367593 from phones and video systems) Webex: <a href="https://idhw.webex.com/idhw/j.php?MTID=m4a48b7aa97850f51d0408971e3cc0e3c">https://idhw.webex.com/idhw/j.php?MTID=m4a48b7aa97850f51d0408971e3cc0e3c</a>
<b>Meeting Purpose</b>	Interagency Governance Team (IGT)
<b>Host</b>	Janet Hoeke: Chair, Ross Edmunds: Co-Chair, Vice-Chair: David Welsh & Co-Vice-Chair: Patrick Gardner

Voting Members	Att'd	Voting Members	Att'd	Participants/Non-Voting Members	Att'd
Ross Edmunds - DBH	X	Nat Parry - Youth Leader	O	Shane Duty - DBH	X
Janet Hoeke - Parent Leader	O	Kim Hokanson - Parent Leader	X	Craig Ward - BH Director for CDA Tribe	O
David Welsh - Medicaid	X	Laura Wallis - Parent Leader	O	Joyce Broadsword - DHW Regional Director	O
Patrick Gardner - Child Advocate	X	<b>Proxy Voting Members</b>	<b>Att'd</b>	Madison Miles - DAG for Child Welfare	X
Howard Belodoff - Child Advocate	X	Candace Falsetti - DBH	X	Tammy Everson - Idaho Tribe	O
Cameron Gilliland - FACS	O	Michelle Weir - FACS	O	Ruth York - Family Advocacy Agency	X
Lael Hansen - County Juvenile Justice	X	David Bell - Medicaid	O	Tricia Ellinger - Parent	X
Eric Studebaker - SDE	X	<b>Recorder</b>	<b>Att'd</b>	Amy Minzghor - Parent Leader/Chair of FE	X
Laura Treat - DBH CMH Representative	X	Megan Schuelke - DBH	X	Mallory Kotze - Medicaid	X
Director Monty Prow - IDJC	X	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Att'd</b>	Dora Axtell - Nimiipuu Health	O
Marquette Hendricks - Tribal Representative	X	KayT Garrett - IDHW DAG	X	Candice Jimenez - NPAIHB	X
Doug Loertscher - Provider	O	Kimberli Stretch - IDHW DAG	X	Josie Graham - Medicaid	X
Pat Martelle - Family Advocacy Agency	X	Casey Moyer - Optum	X	Francesca Barbaro - Medicaid	X

**MEETING AGENDA**

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1	10:00am	10 mins	Welcome, Roll Call & Approve Minutes	IGT Executive Committee	David Welsh motioned to approve the IGT Meeting notes from July 2021 and Laura Treat seconded this motion.	<b>Vote:</b> The IGT Voting Members voted unanimously to approve the IGT Meeting notes from July 2021.
2	10:10am	20 mins	Update on the Completion of IGT Operational Handbook	Patrick Gardner	KayT Garrett stated that she is planning to complete the requested memo for the proposal prior to the next IGT Executive Committee Meeting, which is in two weeks. This is specific to the memo that the attorney generals will put together on the authorities and obligations of the IGT as stated in the Implementation Plan.  Patrick Gardner stated that the IGT Executive Committee will review the memo, provide feedback, and then present the memo at the following IGT Meeting. Patrick Gardner also noted that he has not been able to develop the memo based on what is required in the settlement agreement and the	

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					current Implementation Plan. This memo would also address the mandatory workgroups and propose an established working relationship that resolves the problems, such as coordination with IGT, that were previously identified. This memo will be completed by the next IGT Meeting. The third step would be to review the remaining workgroups, as there are over 20 total workgroups, and gather clarification. It was clarified that the second step relates to communicating with the mandatory workgroups about the best way to move forward. It would be helpful for the leaders of these workgroups to meet with the IGT Executive Committee to discuss improving communication between the workgroup and the IGT members. Patrick Gardner stated that the leaders of these workgroups should expect to hear from the IGT Executive Committee and plan to meet within the next 2 - 3 weeks. We would also like to meet with people who are not currently IGT members but have historical knowledge about IGT and what got us to where we are today.	
3	10:30am	10 mins	Discuss the IGT Dashboard Focus Areas	Shane Duty	<p>Shane Duty stated that as we got the new IGT Strategic Plan completed, it was proposed that we restructure the IGT dashboard to report out in a more productive way. Shane Duty has started to update the IGT dashboard based on the five preliminary goals that are included in the IGT Strategic Plan. For the dashboard to be the most effective, there has to be progress with the IGT Operational Handbook, the clarification needed around the workgroups being formed, and the determination of the dedicated resources for the strategic goals. As those are set, the items will be built into that dashboard. The hope is that the dashboard will be more useful for the IGT members to be able to see what is being worked on and when items are being completed. This way we can then build dependencies based on those timelines.</p> <p>Patrick Gardner asked how the IGT members will be kept up to date on key issues in the meantime. Shane Duty recommended that each workgroup provide a brief update to the IGT in the meantime as the current IGT dashboard may not be as effective. Internally, the workgroups have regular contact with the Department sponsors and provide updates. Currently, there is no Project Plan that have been developed based on the goals of the IGT, which makes it difficult to develop a monthly report that would fulfill the needs of the IGT members. Shane Duty added that once that IGT</p>	<p><b>Decision:</b> It was determined that all workgroups and joint efforts through the Department will provide an update to Shane Duty so that he can provide the IGT with a report. The IGT Executive Committee will discuss timing and the status of the report for next steps. All present IGT members unanimously agreed with this proposal.</p>

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					<p>Operational Handbook is completed, it would be helpful to assign resources and create individual plans for each goal based on what the IGT Executive Committee determines that the priorities are. This would be a long-term goal and this way the agenda would be influenced by those individual strategic plans.</p> <p>David Welsh noted that the IGT dashboard would be updated by Shane Duty as he gathers information from the workgroups to develop the dashboard on a monthly basis. Then, as specific questions arise, the subject matter experts (SMEs) from workgroups could attend the IGT meetings to answer detailed questions.</p> <p>Patrick Gardner suggested having a Sponsors Report each month for the IGT while we are in the process of revising the IGT dashboard. The report should lay out key issues and accomplishments as a mechanism to inform the IGT of what is going on and what we should be attended to. Pat Martelle agreed and stated that this information would be helpful. The big concern is that this is the 14<sup>th</sup> month since the IGT requested this dashboard. Creating a report based on what is happening with YES that has to be put into a structure of responding to the goals of the IGT seems backwards. Patrick Gardner stated that the implementation of the YES Project is behind the original timeline and we are working to get this resolved. Ross Edmunds added that a Sponsors Report could be structured and provided during each IGT Meeting. The IGT members would need to discuss what they would like in each report.</p>	
4	10:40am	30 mins	QMIA Quarterly Report	Candace Falsetti & David Welsh	<p>Candace Falsetti shared that the <a href="#">QMIA Quarterly Report</a> for July 2021 has been posted on the <a href="#">YES website</a> as of July 27. There have been some changes to the report, such as the addition of the "Notable Results" section. Candace Falsetti then reviewed portions of the QMIA Quarterly Report for Quarter 3.</p> <p>Pat Martelle shared that she is excited about the "QMIA Council Recommendations" section in the report. The IGT members should discuss these further and determine if we are able to endorse these recommendations. Pat Martelle also asked about the PRTF placement applications and the number of denials. Candace Falsetti stated that the data has</p>	<p><b>Next Steps:</b> All IGT members will provide input about the QMIA Council recommendations, action items, and how the items should be prioritized in writing to the IGT Executive Committee.</p>

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					<p>shown that the denial rate has been increasing. Francesca Barbaro shared that it should be noted that the timeframe for this report is through March 2021. Medicaid is not seeing a greater increase in denials more recently versus what it looked like historically. It is not looking like there is an increase for denials overall.</p> <p>Pat Martelle also asked, in those instances where a CANS results in a child not being eligible for YES, is anyone doing spot checking for possible false negatives? David Welsh stated that Medicaid does have a quality review process through the 19151 waiver to validate the decisions. This is done on a sample size versus all applications.</p> <p>David Welsh asked if the data included in the QMIA Quarterly Report came through ICANS rather than through the assessment rates from Liberty. Candace Falsetti confirmed that the data provided in the report is from ICANS and reflects the number of children who scored a 0 on the CANS. More specific data on this topic can also be found on page 6 of the QMIA Quarterly Report. A high percentage of the children who are going through the assessment process with Liberty are determined to be eligible for YES.</p> <p>Patrick Gardner asked for clarification on who the audience should be for the “QMIA Council Recommendations” section. Candace Falsetti stated that they have reported these recommended focus areas to the sponsors as well as the IGT members. Patrick Gardner suggested calling this out in the QMIA Quarterly Report. Another question that the IGT should ask is what the data says about the success of YES implementation. Under the “Notable Results” section, it would be helpful to have a statement about the status of effectively implementing YES. Candace Falsetti stated that the question then becomes who defines what success is for the implementation of YES. The QMIA Council has come up with recommendations however, there is hesitation to state whether we are meeting the expectations. In many areas we have not set goals at this time. There are benchmarks that have been proposed and the QMIA Council could move forward with using them if it was agreed upon.</p>	

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					<p>Candice Jimenez asked about the beginning plan to assess and then address the AI/AN youth? How does the IGT normally engages with Tribal communities and organizations? Candace Falsetti stated that there hasn't been a plan on how to address the Asian and Native American populations. This is a good question, and something that the Department and the NPAIHB could want to work together on. David Welsh added that discussions have been happening through the IBHP with the Tribes. The CANS did come up and Dr. Lyons has some ideas based on his discussions with other tribes throughout the US. There are Tribal representatives that attend this meeting as well. This discussion would be an appropriate conversation for the IGT.</p> <p>Pat Martelle asked for clarification about the next steps for the "QMIA Council Action Items" section in the QMIA Quarterly Report. Patrick Gardner stated that the IGT Executive Committee and the QMIA Council need to meet to determine how these two groups work together before we submit these items as formal recommendations to the IGT. As well, clarification is needed as to what IGT would do with these recommendations as we do not have a role in implementation. Ross Edmunds added that the relationships between the QMIA Council and IGT will be clarified in the IGT Operational Handbook. We will see how it is informed by the memo that will be created by KayT Garrett.</p> <p>David Welsh added that it would be beneficial for IGT to consider developing a prioritization scale for recommendations. IGT could review the recommendations and develop a prioritization list to make sure that we have a consensus for working through these items. This way the state can also recognize where we have resources and where we can put these resources. This is a conversation that could take place during the upcoming IWG Meeting.</p> <p>Ross Edmunds suggested that any IGT members and participants provide input in writing to the IGT Executive Committee and Megan Schuelke. The IGT Executive Committee will discuss the next steps and share this information with the IGT members.</p>	
5	11:10am	10 mins	Update on House Bill 233	KayT Garrett	Ross Edmunds noted that House Bill 233 was passed during the last legislative session. It is largely intended to stop the	

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					<p>Ross Edmunds added that the Department is responsible for implementing the legislation as it was written. If further changes are being requested then this would require additional legislation.</p> <p>Patrick Gardner agreed that informing and educating is critical as it also relates to the parents understanding of the fastest way to get the services that their child needs. We need to look more at the over 300% services and therapeutic foster care. Ross Edmund stated that therapeutic foster care is a limited resource throughout Idaho. We know that we have a responsibility to continue to develop this service so that families and children can get therapeutic foster care without having to go through CPS.</p> <p>Tricia Ellinger shared that the issue to access services becomes even more complicated when a child is SED and DD. This situation has occurred recently in Region 3, one of the more heavily populated regions in Idaho, and there has not been a solution that provided the services that children need.</p> <p>Lael Hansen added that Juvenile Justice should be included, at the County level specifically, in these discussions. We often run into this issue were youth crossover Departments. We need to have plans and strategies to move away from children going from hospitals to detention centers. It is important that we have law enforcement at the table as well so that they can be educated away from that mindset.</p>	
6	11:20am	20 mins	New Business Items	IGT Members	<i>No new business items were discussed.</i>	
7	11:40am	15 mins	Public Comment	IGT Members	<p>Tricia Ellinger stated that there is an ongoing issue of understanding for children within the DD population. We are not getting appropriate services in a timely manner and we are getting pushed between these two Divisions.</p> <p>David Welsh noted that keeping children out of a psychiatric facilitates and providing the needed services is a focus for the Department. Medicaid is working to expand services, especially for those children that need higher levels of care. Patrick Gardner added that fixing the issue of coordination and the conflicts that impair access for children with behavioral health and DD issues would go a long way for fixing the overall access to care issues. Ross Edmunds stated</p>	

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					that he has elevated this specific issue to be added into the Department's Strategic Plan. This need is at the top of our priority list.	
8	11:55am	5 mins	Review Future Agenda Topics & Action Items	IGT Executive Committee	<u>Future IGT Agenda Items:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Memos related to Completing the IGT Operational Handbook - DAGs &amp; Patrick Gardner</li> <li>• Review Sponsor's Report - Shane Duty</li> <li>• Review Input about the QMIA Council Recommendations, Action Items, and how the items should be prioritized as it relates to the QMIA Quarterly Report- Candace Falsetti &amp; David Welsh</li> <li>• Discuss Access to Services for Children with DD and Behavioral Health Issues - Tricia Ellinger</li> <li>• Review Draft IGT Operational Handbook - IGT Members</li> <li>• Update on PRA Certification <i>as needed</i> - David Welsh</li> </ul>	
9	12:00pm	--	Dismissal	IGT Members		

The IGT will track action items and their status from the meetings here:

Follow-up Items	Date Opened	Owner	Due Date	Comments	Status
Regional SOC Project and the intention to have one region present at each IGT Meeting.	3/6/20	Ross Edmunds	4/3/20	1/11 Update: Patrick Gardner suggested that we target the CMH subcommittees of the Regional Behavioral Health Boards (RBHBs) to gather the information. It would be helpful to create and distribute a list of questions that the IGT would like answered by the CMH subcommittees.	<b>3/10, In Progress.</b> Ross Edmunds spoke with the RBHB Leadership members. Ross Edmunds sent the questions to the CMH subcommittees again requesting feedback.