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## CSN Agenda

3433 S. Higuera, Room 356, San Luis Obispo CA

June 2, 2010

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

### General:

1. Introductions, Announcements, Critical Issues, Additions to the Agenda
2. Public Comment

### Action Items:

- Approval of April 21, 2010 minutes

### Information/Discussion Items:

- CANS Assessment – J. Roberts
- Second Workgroup on Children and Youth Exposed to Substance Abuse/Methamphetamine Use
- Truancy & Dropout Strategic Plan Update
- Wraparound Service Program Workgroup Presentation – J. Roberts
- Review AB 1148 – J. Salio

**Next Meeting:      October 6, 2010**  
**3433 S. Higuera, Room 356**  
**1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**



**CSN Minutes  
DSS Conf. Room 115  
June 2, 2010**

**Present:** Lee Collins, Director of DSS  
Sheriff Patrick Hedges, Sheriff's Office  
Jim Roberts, Family Care Network  
Chief Jim Salio, Probation  
Don Dennison, First 5 Commission  
Julian Crocker, Office of Education  
Gerald Shea, DA's Office  
Lisa Fraser, SLOCAP  
Biz Steinberg, Community Action Partnership  
Kayla Plourde, JJDP  
Sue Warren, North County Connection

**Absent:** Richard Benitez, Latino Outreach  
Jill Bolster-White, TMHA  
Jeff Hamm, Health Agency  
Ron Cuff, PRP

**Staff:** Reva Gonzales, CSN Manager  
Julie Stevens, DSS Administrative Assistant

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1. **Introductions, announcements, critical issues and additions to the agenda**  
Co Chair Jim Salio called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM. Introductions were made around the room.

2. **Public Comment**  
None

3. **Action Items**

- o **Approval of April 21, 2010 minutes**  
MSP J. Crocker/ L. Fraser

4. **Information/Discussion Items**

Second Workgroup on Children and Youth Exposed to Substance Abuse/Methamphetamine Use – J. Salio

Officers from the Sheriff's Dept. Detective David Nottenkamper, Deputy Dale Anderson and Sergeant Andrew Rasmussen were in attendance because they were assigned to the Meth Task Force by their Department; Sue Warren mention there were three (3) interested participants from the Community that would like to participate; Kayla Plourde also mentioned there was someone from the Juvenile Justice Juvenile Commission that was being decided on at this time to join. Currently there has been no first meeting scheduled; the yet to be determined first meeting would introduce the committee participants and they can determine a chair and a co-chair moving forward. Jim Salio would like to be at the initial first meeting but will not be a part of the committee. Jim Roberts and Jim Salio explained how the Substance Abuse/Methamphetamine Use Workgroup came to be; the CSN council established priorities a few years ago and is establishing workgroups to tackle those priorities; because of the magnitude of the meth issue it has now come time to establish a workgroup and set in motion ways to tackle it. Meth use was the first issue that was raised which impacts children and families in the county. J. Roberts spoke of what needs to be done: Look at the

extent of the meth problem; what are we currently doing; how does it impact us and each of our agencies; then there needs to be a plan that is developed which lists issues and action plans to tackle the issue. J. Roberts suggested that the members refer to the Truancy and Dropout Strategic Plan as a model for their future plan. J. Crocker spoke of how this issue is not new; there are people in the county who have been working on how to combat this issue one way or another so this task force will need to come up with more explicit information on the existing resources. Sue Warren spoke with John Elfers and he would like to participate with the meth task force, as well as two representatives from community providers and one representative from the recovery community. The CSN Executive Committee decided to hold off deciding on a date to meet since Reva was not in attendance; Pat Hedges suggested someone from the Medical field be included on this group; some names were suggested by Sue Warren (Dr. Hale) and Detective David Nottenkamper (Dr. Aubersauter); Flor Sanchez a social worker from Child Welfare Services was suggested by Detective David Nottenkamper who has worked a lot with her; Lee would like to see someone from Environmental Health on the committee due to the hazardous material meth leaves behind in the environment. Please send the names and contact information to either Reva or Julie so a meeting can be organized.

#### CANS Assessment – J. Roberts

**C**hildren and **A**dolescence **N**eeds and **S**trength is a free assessment that was developed by John Lyons. An initiative is happening nationwide, the basis standard use for all foster children which will provide consistent language and consistent outcomes; a really nice validating tool. This assessment has been adopted by 14 states; members of San Luis Obispo County will be visiting the County of San Francisco to observe how they have implemented it. John Lyons discovered that in his study of L.A. County there were a number of youths in group homes that did not need to be there or would have benefited in other placements. After the observation of County of San Francisco, we may want to discuss bringing this in our area.

#### Truancy & Dropout Strategic Plan Update – J. Salio

Jim stated the only thing new to report is moving forward with the Curfew ordinance; Gerry Shea and Jim met and spoke with Supervisor Mecham who seemed very interested in the daytime curfew; the next step would be to get Jim Grant, the County Administrator, the information proposed for the daytime curfew, which he review after the Board budget hearings (June 14 - 16), he will get in touch with Gerry at the end of the month. Jim Salio mention they discovered Paso Robles is starting their own ordinance; Lisa Solomon, the Police Chief, is trying to get a meeting together with Commissioner Sefton who hears truancy court cases in Paso so they can start to write up their own; Pat Hedges would like to see all the ordinances be consistent so the youth offenders in any area can not use that loop-hole as an excuse to get charges dropped.

#### Wraparound Services Program Workgroup Presentation – J. Roberts

Jim wanted to let the group know that he, as well as Tracy Buckingham, Jim Salio, Brad Sunseri, and Jon Nibbio, are presenting the week of June 7<sup>th</sup> at the California State Wraparound Institute in Anaheim to present the San Luis Obispo County model, the group will be speaking in two 1.5 hr workshops for over 1,000+ participants; Jim would like CSN to initiate a resolution to the Board of

Supervisors in Sept. (Board meeting date to be determined), showcasing their accomplishments, on their 10 year anniversary. Jim R. would like either Reva or Richard to write up a resolution, with a set date, an agenda put together ; make motion today since the next meeting will not until October. Don Dennison, indicated that First 5 Commission to do a presentation and generate a letter of support.

***Motion was made to have CSN write up a resolution to the Board of Supervisors acknowledging the Wraparounds 10 year anniversary and success.*** MSP J. Roberts/G. Shea.

Review SB 1148 – J. Salio

This Senate Bill is currently in Appropriations currently; this Bill would do two things: (1) it would define as a chronic truant any K-12 pupil subject to compulsory education who is absent from school for 10 percent (18 days missed) or more of the schooldays in a given school year; it would further require the student to be identified as a chronic truant in their permanent records; (2) it lays out a four prong approach to how to handle the process as it happens. The only Bill in the session that deals with truancy which was written up by Elaine Alquist. Julian Crocker indicated that “Home Schools” that are connected with the school districts are tracked but those that are not cannot be tracked.

Update on Operation Medicine Cabinet Follow-up – Sheriff Hedges indicated they are moving forward with the plans to fund drop-boxes for the disposal of unwanted household medications; the Sheriff will have more discussion the week of June 7 with the Criminal Justice administrators meeting to see if any of the cities are interested in participating as well.

Moving Start Time to 1:15 PM – Sheriff Hedges asked if we could move the usual 1 PM start time to a later time, preferably 1:30 PM; it was decided that we would move the start time to 1:15 PM to better accommodate all members who may have appointment before and after the CSN meeting.

5. **Next Meeting:** **October 6, 2010**  
Department of Social Services  
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1:15 – 3:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** 2:10 PM