INFORMATIONAL HEARING
Senate Select Committee on
Children with Special Needs

Tuesday, April 5, 2016 2:00PM—4:00PM
Location: Room 2040 State Capital
Sacramento, CA

EXAMINING INTERAGENCY CARE COORDINATION
FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks (5min)

Senator, Dr. Richard Pan, Chair, Senate Select Committee on Children with Special Needs

Committee Members: Senator Jean Fuller, Senator Ted Gaines, Senator Jerry Hill, Senator Ben Hueso, Senator Carol Liu, and Senator Holly J Mitchell—TBD

II. Overview of Interagency Care Coordination (10min)

David Bergman, M.D., Associate Professor at Stanford University School of Medicine

1. How is interagency care coordination generally defined?
2. What does the current data tell us about the outcomes related to service delivery and service quality when interagency care coordination is inadequate or limited between agencies?
3. What does the current data tell us about the outcomes related to service delivery and service quality when interagency care coordination is established and integrated between agencies?
4. What does the research tell us about the current barriers and challenges for establishing and maintaining interagency care coordination?

Questions and Answers
III. The Family Perspective  

Kausha King, Family Advocate Family Voices of California

1. What has been your personal experience with interagency care coordination when accessing care and services for your child’s needs?
2. What past and current challenges have you experienced with interagency care coordination?
3. Where is interagency care coordination failing?

Questions and Answers

IV. Committees and Pilot Coalition Models Currently Underway in California to Address Interagency Care Coordination  

(25min)  
(10min ea. Model + 5 min Q&A = Total 25min)

A. Model: Alameda County Special Needs Committee  

• Laurie A. Soman, Committee Coordinator
  
1. A brief overview of the model, including the objectives, structure, target population and number of clients served, and stakeholder participation.
2. How has the model improved or strengthened care coordination among key agencies and organizations and care for children with special needs; when possible please provide evidence-based outcomes?
3. What are the systems barriers, either at the state or county level, are obstructing, preventing or challenging the model from doing more?

B. Model: Pilot Alameda County CCS Mental Health Stakeholder Coalition  

• Barbara Sheehy, Mental Health Initiative Coordinator  
• Ellen Muir, Assistant Director, EPSDT Coordinator
  
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Panel Questions and Answers

V. Projects and Programs Currently Underway in California to Address Interagency Care Coordination (25min) (10min ea. Model + 5 min Q&A= Total 25min)

A. Model: Kern County Medically Vulnerable Care Coordination Project (MVCCP) (10min)

- Marc Thibault, MVCCP Project Director

1. A brief overview of the model, including the objectives, structure, target population and number of clients served, stakeholder participation and outcomes.
2. How has the model improved or strengthened care coordination among key agencies and organizations for children with special needs; when possible please provide evidence-based outcomes?
3. What are the systems barriers, either at the state or county level, are obstructing, preventing or challenging the model from doing more?

B. Model: Desert/Mountain Children’s Center (DMCC)—Contracted partnership between Desert/Mountain Special Education Local Plan Area (DM SELPA) and the San Bernardino County Behavioral Health Department (BHD) (10min)

- Michael Schertell, Deputy Director Children’s and Recovery Support Services San Bernardino County BHD
- Linda Llamas, Program Manager DMCC
- Jenae Holtz, CEO DMCC

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VI. State Department Interagency Care Coordination Standards—Organized by System of Care (30min)
(5min ea Dept. + 10min Q&A = Total 30min)

A. System of Care—Physical Health (5min)

• Jennifer Kent, Director, California Department of Health Care Services’ California Children’s Services

  1. What interagency care coordination relationships and activities are currently underway by the Department to address care and services for children with special needs?
  2. What can the Department do beyond what is currently funded for interagency care coordination and are there other opportunities that should be considered to support interagency care coordination for children with special needs?

B. System of Care—Mental Health (5min)

• Karen Baylor, Deputy Director, California Department of Health Care Services’ Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services

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C. System of Care—Developmental Disabilities (5min)

• Brian Winfield, Acting Deputy Director, California Department of Developmental Disabilities
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2. What can the Department do beyond what is currently funded for interagency care coordination and are there other opportunities that should be considered to support interagency care coordination for children with special needs?

D. System of Care—Education (5min)

- Stacey R. Wedin, Education Programs Consultant, California Department of Education Special Education Division
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  2. What can the Department do beyond what is currently funded for interagency care coordination and are there other opportunities that should be considered to support interagency care coordination for children with special needs?

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VII. Public Comment (5min)

VIII. Closing (5min)

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