



Wisconsin Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
Department of Children and Families and
Department of Justice
Wisconsin State Bar Center
5302 Eastpark Boulevard, Madison, WI 53718
June 29, 2016
1:30-3:30 PM
Monona & Mendota Rooms



MEETING MINUTES

Topic		Who	Notes
I.	Welcome and Introductions 1:30 – 1:35	Secretary Eloise Anderson provides welcoming remarks	Secretary Anderson welcomed everyone who was present in the room and over the phone. She also introduced two new members. Jon Litscher joins the Task Force as the current Secretary for the Department of Corrections. Although Secretary Litscher was not present at this meeting, he will be a part of the Task Force moving forward. Dr. Joy Ippolito was also present in person for the first time. She officially started as the Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinator for the Department of Children and Families on May 16 th
II.	Discussion of ACF Grant Proposal 1:35 – 1:50	Joy Ippolito, DCF Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinator	Secretary Anderson invited Dr. Ippolito to walk the Task Force through a federal grant opportunity that DCF is applying for with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). Joy highlighted the main points of the grant and circulated a signature page for a Letter of Support for Task Force members to sign. Highlights of the grant include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.25 million over 5 years (\$250,000/year) • Geared towards state child welfare, with a focus on cross-system collaboration to build capacity • DCF is proposing implementation of a regional hub model • Stakeholders were consulted during the writing of the grant, including state workgroup leads and external reviewers. • Three major goals proposed: 1) Implement a sustainable regional hub structure across WI, 2) Increase programming that specifically serves youth who have been trafficked, and 3) Analyze data and define cross-system linkages in order to identify youth who are at risk • Process evaluation will also be included in the grant to learn about best practices as the regional hub model unfolds • Seven regions possible for the regional hub delivery model; will consult stakeholders as these are created to determine final number
III.	Presentation from Research and Data Workgroup 1:50-2:35	Attorney General Schimel provides introduction	Attorney General Schimel thanked everyone for traveling and making it to the meeting. He then explained that the main topic for this Task Force meeting would be a presentation from the Data and Research Workgroup. The focus of the presentation was on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current data sources available across state systems • Timeline of data availability • Discussion of linking data across systems

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		<p>This data presentation was made by the workgroup co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kelly Smithback from the Department of Children and Families • Derek Veitenheimer from the Department of Justice <p>Please see the attached PP slides for more information on their presentation.</p> <p>Kelly and Derek (“data team”) asked for questions/feedback from Task Force members at the conclusion of the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fredi Bove, DSP Administrator: asked if members of the Task Force had comments regarding the Dallas Police Model <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Steve Elliott, Appleton Police Dept, expressed how much he has learned from trainers through Dallas Police department--screening tools, investigative techniques, and skill sets while interviewing traffickers have all been implemented into their agency due to training. ○ Data team shared that caseworkers have to start collecting information regarding sex trafficking, however, they have not understood the benefit of it yet. • Attorney General Schimel asked Kelly to elaborate on adding a flag when a certain amount of risk factors were identified for a particular youth; Kelly deferred to Jonelle Brom in the room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jonelle Brom, DCF Section Chief, shared what can be done in our system now and how we can utilize this information to automatically flag youth who are high risk, or could look at other indicators as well that could flag youth in the child welfare system. Depending on what is developed, counties could share with their local law enforcement, particularly if a child goes missing. • Data team noted that efforts need to focus on training workers and law enforcement to be able to understand that HT does exist and how to report it. FBI is pushing the need to collect this data; FBI has increased their efforts to ensure that they’re including their data in uniform crime reporting data in HT data. • Question was raised whether the workgroup is looking into crimes that may be similar to sex trafficking that could inform data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Data team: rather than using state specific statutes, uniform crime reporting gives direction to law enforcement agencies to report any form of human trafficking, no matter local ordinances. It is understood that they should look at prostitution, and other related statutes that could be helpful in identifying HT victims. • Libby Mueller, Milwaukee County DA’s Office: can descriptors be modified? Later on when you realize it’s sex trafficking? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Data team: we are starting to work on these updates to the system, understanding it is not easy and will take some time • Question was raised about juvenile justice workers who do not utilize eWisACWIS in the same way that CPS workers do and whether this will be a limitation to data collection? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fredi Bove: DCF is pursuing how to conduct better data collection within the juvenile justice population.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Coyle, DHS: county MH/SA data not being utilized at this point, there may be a lot of overlap although they are not collecting HT data at this point. Might be future area to explore. • Claudine O’Leary, Rethink Resources: important to think about how the questions are phrased when children are identified at risk by the system. And, if children who are identified are charged with child prostitution, to remember that this <u>is</u> HT. • Question was raised that HT has been reported in all 70 counties in WI--where does this information/statistic come from? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Steve Elliott: we can say that traffickers are working across state lines, county lines, and all depends on how aggressively law enforcement is able to go after them. • Data team expressed the end-goal of the workgroup is to supply specific statistics. They want to provide context and data to support decision-making and development. Open to feedback from others on the best approaches forward.
IV. Workgroup Report Out 2:35 – 2:55	Secretary Eloise Anderson	Secretary Anderson thanked the Research and Data Workgroup for giving an overview of the data landscape in Wisconsin as it relates to human trafficking. She then introduced representatives and chairs of each workgroup to provide a brief overview of the work they have been engaged in since the last Task Force meeting. Please see the attached handout for short updates from each of the workgroups. Updates for each workgroup were given by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State staff lead Naomi Takahashi from the Prevention and Public Awareness Workgroup • Co-chair Mariana Rodriguez from the Training Workgroup • Co-chair Tim Baack from the Identification and Screening Workgroup • Co-chair Dan Magnuson from the Placement and Services Workgroup
V. Updated Workgroup Guiding Principles 2:55-3:05	Julie Braun, DOJ	Julie briefly summarized the changes made to the Guiding Principles, based on Task Force member feedback at the March meeting. This document was previously shared via email with the Task Force, Workgroup, and other Interested Parties. <p>Changes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The word “victim” was removed and replaced with “individuals who have been trafficked”. • Primary prevention language was added. • Added a principle about being mindful of imagery utilized on task force materials, so as not to depict individuals who have been trafficked with depersonalizing imagery. <p>Julie asked for any concerns/ comments that need to still be addressed: no discussion. Task Force members moved to accept them as is. Guiding Principles will be included on the DCF Anti-Human Trafficking website.</p>
VI. Other Updates 3:05 – 3:20	Attorney General Schimel	Attorney General Schimel invited representatives from DCF and DOJ to share updates that may be of interest to the group. <p><u>DOJ</u>: Crime Victim Council continues their efforts; in combination with Rep. Laudenbach, Attorney General Schimel will be rolling out the Human Trafficking poster. Also, the Office of Crime Victim Services is working</p>

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		<p>with DCI to craft an end-demand strategy.</p> <p><u>DCF</u>: Dr. Joy Ippolito highlighted the Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan's Residential Care Center (RCC) contract that will be a facility with ten beds for females only who are under the jurisdiction of the child welfare system in the balance of state, excluding Milwaukee County. The facility will tentatively open in early 2017. Its implementation will focus on best practices. Once the contract is finalized, DCF will share more information with the Task Force.</p> <p>Joy invited Task Force member Tim Baack from Pathfinders to discuss the Urban Institute pilot study in Milwaukee.</p> <p>Tim shared that Wisconsin is one of three states (New York and Texas are the other two) that has been selected for a federally-funded research pilot opportunity to assist with validation of an identification and screening tool. The Urban institute (UI) is conducting this research with a grant from HHS. Training was provided by UI staff. Main highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 adolescents, 12-17 years old, with 100 involved with child welfare Initial Assessment, and 100 youth not involved with the system. The youth will be randomly assigned to a self-administered or practitioner-administered screening in the study. • Screening tool will be embedded in a Life Experiences survey, as a way to utilize a Trauma-Informed-Care format of obtaining information. • The goal is for 75% of youth to utilize a self-administered screening tool, and 25% to be practitioner administered. • Validation will look to see if there is any difference between these different ways of administering. • All youth receive a resource card. They are informed that it is a research study on life experiences of youth. <p>Attorney General Schimel asked for other members of the Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force to share brief updates about any recent developments they felt would be of interest to the Task Force.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Elliott: reported on the School Resource Officer (SRO) Conference on June 13th. Workshop on Human Trafficking primarily focused on awareness and identification and investigations. Awareness is definitely an issue in WI. • Dr. Angela Rabbitt: Proactive Outreach for Sexually Exploited Youth (POSEY) update. Improving training among medical providers by developing an online training that is being integrated into the medical curriculum at the medical college of WI. Also working on getting case-based training into the curriculum, templates in medical electronic records that will guide medical care for medical professionals, and a resource card for youth who are homeless. • Sister Marlene Weisenbeck: LaCrosse Task Force working on awareness with other faith-based agencies. Also finalizing data from a survey conducted with local agencies and their potential to response to HT. Goal was to create awareness of other agencies' work. • Jean Geran from UW Streets: Summit on Gender and Well-being

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		in April with a trafficking track attended by professionals from around the world. Also mentioned an HT art exhibit that will be moving to Beloit in July.
VII. Public Comment 3:20 – 3:30	Secretary Eloise Anderson	Secretary Anderson asked if there were any members of the public who would like to comment on the Task Force meeting proceedings. No public comments from those in the room or over the phone.
Adjournment	Attorney General Schimel	Attorney General Schimel thanked all of the attendees and reminded them of the upcoming meeting schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 7th meeting has been updated to 9:30-11:30 AM December 7th date is a change that was communicated via email after the last Task Force meeting, the time remains the same

Member/Designees Present

Eloise Anderson
Brad Schimel
Joy Ippolito
Mike Austin
Tim Baack
Fredri Bove
Julie Braun
Dawn Bucholz
Pamela Cotton (phone)
Sarah Coyle
Jen Dunn
Steve Elliott
Jodi Emerson
Tony Gibart (for Patti Seger)
Steve Gilbertson
Ramona Gonzalez (phone)
John Gossage (phone)
Linda Hall
Fred Johnson (phone)
Esie Leoso-Corbine
Dan Magnuson
Georgia Maxwell
Tia Medley (phone)
Libby Mueller
Claudine O'Leary
Angela Rabbitt
Mariana Rodriguez
Diane Rondini-Harness
Marlene Weisenbeck

Other Attendees

John Baumon
Allison Budzinski
Jonelle Brom
Kimber Blum
Tania Cornelius
Patricia Cox
Michelle Dubois
BJ Doran
Emily Erickson
Tonia Fischer
Miriam Falk
Tony Gibard
Jean Geran
Ian Henderson
Wendy Henderson
Ron Hermes
Paul Hestekind
Scott LaFleur
Molly Leimonitas
Stephanie Lozano
Lonna Morouney
Tara Muender
Carolina Ow
Amber Peterson
Shira Phelps
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