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The Idaho Implementation Plan lists specific tasks and due dates that are necessary to meet the objectives of the Plan. This is the work that will be done to build a transformational process that will lead to a new system of care for children with serious emotional disturbance (SED). The work will be mapped out in greater detail in the [YES: Children's Mental Health Reform \(CMHR\) Project plan](#) that is published on this website. Stakeholders who are interested in participating in the YES: CMHR Project can use this link to [contact us](#).

Please see the [calendar](#) to read the meeting schedules of the workgroups.

#### **Parent Network**

Parent Network representatives are planning on organizing Parent groups in each region. Some of them are considering attending the Children's Subcommittees of each of the Regional Behavioral Health Boards. They may contact each regional office eventually to establish a link with the Chiefs across the state.

The Project team is also working out how to maximize parents' input and participation in the building of the system — not just as outsiders who review the features of the new system after they are built.

Please [contact us](#) if you are interested in working with this group.

#### **Intergovernmental Team (IGT)**

The IGT membership has requested orientation to the project, including the Implementation Plan, system of care concepts and roles and responsibilities. Dr. Israel will meet with the IGT for a 4-hour orientation and education session on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. The workgroup has set recurring meetings scheduled for the 1st Friday of each month. By-laws are now drafted and they are currently addressing the need for increased parent voice and engagement in the Project.

#### **Clinical Advisory Workgroup**

The Clinical Advisory workgroup is working in subcommittees to address the development of clinical components in the new system of care including the assessment, treatment plan, child &



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family team, crisis model and wraparound. The scheduling of the subcommittee meetings are arranged so that the membership can work in various subcommittees if they are interested in multiple components.

Please [contact us](#) if you'd like to participate in this workgroup or any of the subcommittees.

### **Workforce Development Workgroup**

The Division of Behavioral Health is finalizing the scope of work for a contract with Boise State University (BSU) to help develop and implement a Workforce Development Plan. The Plan will address the recruitment, training and retention of the workforce the state will need for the implementation and ongoing operations of the YES system of care. The Plan is due in February 2017, and we'll start implementing it in May 2017. Please [contact us](#) if you'd like to participate.

### **Child and Adolescent Needs & Strengths (CANS)**

The Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) has obtained initial approval to pursue a sole-source contract with Chapin Hall, at the University of Chicago, to help DBH automate the CANS tool and to provide the suite of reports that will be needed to operate a TCOM process (Transformational Collaborative Outcomes Management).

The impact of this decision is that DBH will be able to rely on the experience and expertise of the organization that has already been successfully performing this type of work.

### **Regional Transition Workgroup**

The regional Children's Mental Health Chiefs, managers and administrators converged in Boise in November for education, collaboration and camaraderie on various topics related to planning and implementing the YES system of care.

Dr. Nate Israel of Chapin Hall joined the YES Project team to provide an agenda of listening and discussion over two days, resulting in new ideas for proceeding with the work of implementation. Dr. Israel shared a lot of information on developing a sustainable system of care, as well as information about the components that Idaho's new system will contain, including CANS, Wraparound, and TCOM.

Attendees discussed concerns about the transition of our children's mental health system and participated in small group exercises centered on communication, wraparound and reviewing/analyzing the mapping work done in all regions earlier this fall.



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Together, the group determined they wanted a monthly face-to-face meeting with the Children's Mental Health Chiefs. Rosie Andueza ([Rosie.Andueza@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:Rosie.Andueza@dhw.idaho.gov)) will be using the monthly Video Conferencing meeting to check with the regional staff on the regions' latest developments and newly identified training needs.

The Wraparound Workgroup was initiated with a plan for moving forward with the inclusion of providers and parents.

### **Quality Management Improvement & Accountability (QMIA) Committees**

The QMIA Data & Reports Committee is finalizing the estimates of Class Membership size. As soon as those estimates are confirmed, they will be posted on this website.

If you are interested in serving on one of the quality committees, please [contact us](#).

DBH will be forming the **Automation, Communication, Practice Manual** and **Transformation** workgroups later this year.

If you have any questions or comments about this status report, please [contact us](#).