

Social Services Working Group



October 16, 2018

Today's Plan

Discussion with AOC

Revise and Finalize ICC

Begin RA




Discussion with AOC

Rec. 2.i

- Ability of DSS staff and attorneys to access judicial system data (e.g., JWisE)

Rec. 3.a.

- Opportunities to allow incarcerated/distant parties to participate in court proceedings remotely



Revise and Finalize ICC


Recommendations related to AOC discussion

- Data systems (2.i.)
- Remote participation (3.a.)

Other revisions

- Focus on highlighted text
- Review recommendation revision re: ongoing oversight

Next steps for ICC



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Stage Two Charge

Regional Administration

- A vision for transitioning the State from a county-administered system to a regionally-administered system.
- Identify general benefits and challenges associated with making such a transition.
- Legislative recommendations not required.

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Information Gathering Process

- Discussion groups and surveys
 - DSS Directors
 - DSS Attorneys
 - County Commissioners
 - DSS Boards
 - Social Services Commission
 - DHHS
 - System stakeholders including
 - Pediatric Society
 - Nat'l Association of Social Workers
 - Guardian Ad Litem program
 - Partnership to Address Adult Abuse
 - Any interested person ([open survey](#))

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Feedback

- What did we do?
 - Described the charge
 - Asked them to identify benefits and challenges
 - Asked “What else does the SSWG need to know?”
- What did we hear?
 - Confusion regarding administration v. supervision
 - Distrust of the process
 - Frustration at the amount of change in social services generally
 - Limited interest in identifying potential benefits from most groups

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Feedback/Themes

Potential Benefits

- More consistency in practice
- Easier for state to supervise
- Economies of scale
- Stabilize staffing

Potential Challenges

- Funding/cost-sharing
- Change management
- Loss of local identity
- Ownership of new entities/county role

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Discussion

What should this section of the report do?

- Description of benefits and challenges
- Should it include anything else?

What should this section of the report say?

- Stakeholder feedback – how to incorporate?
- Other ideas from SSWG members?
- What other information does SSWG need?

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MEETING SCHEDULE AND WORK PLAN

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Schedule/Workplan

Date	Proposed Plan
10/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion with AOC • Regional Administration: Review and discuss feedback gathered from partners and stakeholders; begin developing vision
11/8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Administration: Develop vision
11/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Administration: Review and revise vision
12/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and revise draft report
12/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and revise final report

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Questions



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