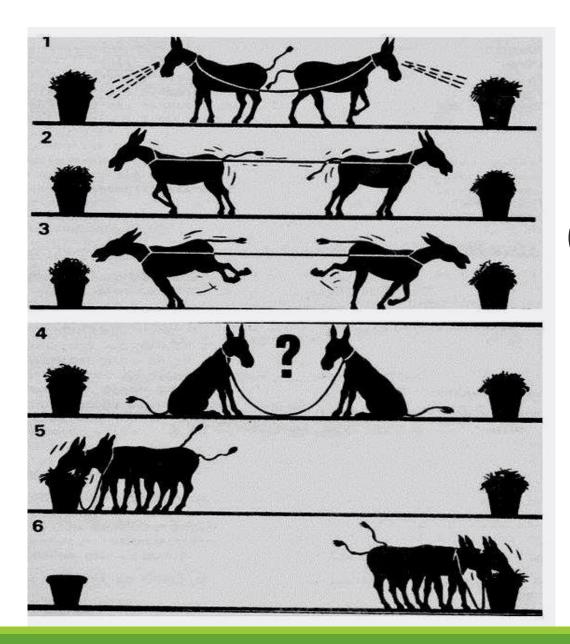




Therapeutic Foster Care: Are we getting what we pay for?

VISIONARY



INNOVATIONS IN COLLABORATION TO IMPROVE THERAPEUTIC FOSTER CARE

Good Collaboration



Collaboration is the process of two or more people or organizations working together to complete a task or achieve a goal.



Referral Sources: needed efficiency in referring to multiple agencies



MCO's: wanted to know how many times a youth moves/disrupts, outcomes of services/EBP's



TFC Agencies interested in outcomes and comparisons to the Network

Start with common needs to develop a solution.....

COLLABORATION BENEFITS

ONGOING MUTUAL
PARTNERSHIP B/W PUBLIC &
PRIVATE AGENCIES

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE MCO OF PROVIDERS SERVING THEIR CATCHMENT

OUTCOMES-INITIAL DATA METRICS AND COLLECTION



PAY FOR PERFORMANCE

CONTINNUM OF CARE
(BASIC FOSTER, THERAPEUTIC
FOSTER CARE, IAFT SERVICE

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE
REPORT FOR EACH PROVIDER

What we set out to do for TFC through Collective Impact & Collaboration

Referral streamlining

Understand where & why youth are moving or disrupting placements?



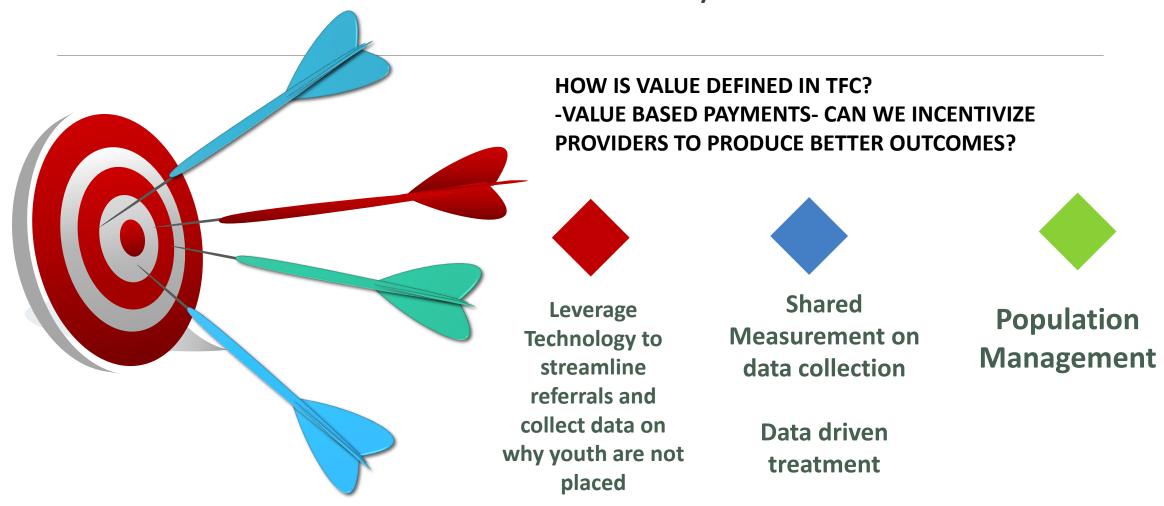
Gather data on certain programs or EBP's producing better outcomes

Identifying a shared vision on "Value" in TFC and larger continuum of care for youth

This pilot project is based on a shared vision to use data to ascertain effectiveness of Therapeutic Foster Care while impacting the efficiency of referral submission and placement response.

Tackling complex factors within the TFC service array

TFC- Can we collect and analyze outcomes?





TFC

Currently how do we know if the following expectations of the TFC Service Definition are being delivered:

- 1. Improvement in functioning,
- 2. Progress (or regression) on treatment goals as identified in the PCP,
- 3. Stability in the current "TFC Family setting" to ensure continued stay and movement towards discharge criteria.

FEDERAL REPORT for Child Welfare

<u>CFSR</u> Report of NC found deficiencies in several areas and the State was issued a Performance Improvement plan to return to "conformity"

- -Inability to track placement history which impacts permanency
- -Inability to link information regarding placements, permanency planning efforts and intra-agency data.
- -No clear method (system) to implement program quality improvement to
- evaluate improvement measures
- -Placement Stability (disruptions)
- -Gaps in services for MH needs of children



3 FACTORS FOR AN INCREASE IN FOSTER CARE

MORE PARENTS ARE STRUGGLING WITH OPIOIDS AND OTHER DRUGS

MORE JUDGES HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITIES AND MAKE REFERRALS TO CHILD WELFARE (NC RAISE THE AGE CHANGE)

MANY CHILD WELFARE AGENCIES ARE GRAPPLING WITH INADEQUATE DECISION MAKING PRACTICES (INVOLVING MORE PEOPLE/SUPPORTS IN DECISIONS), A LACK OF FUNDING, A LACK OF SUPPORTIVE RESOURCES, NO INFORMED EVIDENCE BASE MODELS USED.

1757 CHILDREN IN TFC IN NC

SOLUTIONS & DATA NEEDED......

- 1. HOW OFTEN ARE CHILDREN MOVED?
- 2. WHY ARE MOVES OCCURRING?
- 3. IS TREATMENT A REAL FOCUS OF CARE?
- 4. DO CHILDREN GO TO A HIGHER OR LOWER LEVEL OF CARE AT DISCHARGE?
- 5. WHERE ARE OUR CHILDREN PLACED AT DISCHARGE?
- IF WE HAVE THESE ANSWERS WHERE DOES THIS DATA LIVE? HOW EASY IS IT TO EVALUATE ACROSS THE STATE, COMPARE AGENCY TO AGENCY?

SOL TION

Therapeutic Foster Care Referrals and Tracking

OPENING THE REFERRAL DATABASE TO ALL TFC PLACEMENT AGENCIES WITHIN A PARTICULAR MCO CATCHMENT, FOR MATCHING TFC PLACEMENT AND CREATION OF NEW REFERRALS

Centralized Database

Providing data collection across a continuum of care for youth within the system.

Central database for referrals across BFFC, TFC and IAFT® services

Providing a greater insight into referral demand for MCO management, gaps and service needs.

Demographic tracking for better population management

Tracking lateral moves
within individual
placement agencies; length
of stay; discharge
outcomes and nature of
discharge

Centralized Database

Additional analysis can be provided through changes in data collection, per request of the MCO



Outcome reports on a regular scheduled basis



Additional data collection oversight to ensure reliable reporting

Goals of the Database platform

Reliable and efficient database to facilitate the placement of youth needing out-of-home placements.

Comprehensive Referral and placement process

Ease of referral creation

Data Collection, analysis, tools for performance management

Ease of use for provider/placement agencies

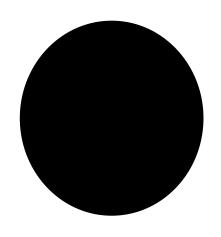
Constant situational awareness for use by the Managed Care Organization



Referral Streamling

IMPROVED EFFICIENCY FOR REFERRAL SOURCES

The Youth



Youth Requiring out of home placement

Possible referral sources:

Hospital

Crisis center

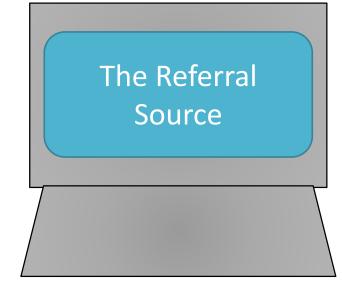
DSS

IHH Teams

MCO Care Coordination

Other Mental Health Providers

Individuals, family members



Placement Agency

Placement Agencies providing out-of-home services

MCO

Placement Agency

Opening the database to a larger number of CPAs will increase the likelihood of appropriate matching

Placement Agency

- An account with the "public" database can be made by any stakeholder.
- The Initial referral is made
- Referral receives its referral ID

The Referral Source

REF_ID 32000

MCO

The Referral Source

participating place agencies.

access to look at and Referals Within their catchment.

Placement Agency

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All Beds Full Placement Agency

MCO

Initial Responses are entered

Yes

Maybe

Placement Agency

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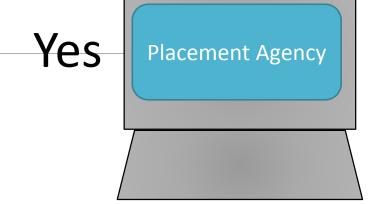
Placement Agency

The Referral Source

Placement agency and Referral source start initial placement details through traditional communications

MCO

The Referral Source



Yes Placement Agency

MCO Monitoring Real-time responses from agencies

Agency	Response	Note	Date of Response	User	Delete
Agency Name	No - Geography	No homes in county	4/22/2013 2:03:53 PM	USER NAME	Delete
Agency Name	No – All Beds Full		4/22/2013 2:04:53 PM	USER NAME	Delete
Agency Name	No - Geography		4/22/2013 2:26:08 PM	USER NAME	Delete
Agency Name	No - Family skill set	Unable to serve client	4/22/2013 2:34:22 PM	USER NAME	Delete
Agency Name	No - Geography		4/22/2013 2:40:40 PM	USER NAME	Delete
Agency Name	Yes	TFCS	4/22/2013 2:48:52 PM	USER NAME	Delete



Sample Report

Metric Tracking:

- Response Times
- Referral to placement time
- Placement and discharge, length of stay
- Demographic Data mining
- Discharge outcomes (where the youth is being discharge to)....treatment success/PCP goal success
- Tracking of lateral home moves within provider agencies

Performance Management, Analysis, and Reporting

Data gives us a look into the following



- 1. clear look at where consumers discharge to,
- 2. gap analysis....where services are needed
- 3. performance level of providers
- 4. success of tx. efforts (were goals achieved)
- 5. outcomes for a number of metrics required by the MCO

(we can customize what is needed)

- 6. success rate of consumers—which providers seem to get the best results
- 7. total of consumers in care and the number and location of homes



Questions & Answers

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