

Licensing Advisory Committee

September 8, 2010

Meeting Summary

Members present: Dave Collins, Tom Keables, Jerry McLain, Cathy Moyer, Ellen O'Connor, Joni Reynolds, Connie Vigil, Ross Wright, Jerry Yager.

Members absent: Kelley Bowes, Cynthia Dicken, Michelle Molina, Noel Nelson, Lily Nie.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Approval of minutes

Minutes from the 08/11/10 LAC meeting were approved with the following changes:

Page 1, paragraph 1: Correction of spelling of member Reynolds's first name: should read "Joni".

Page 1, paragraph 4: "07" should be stricken.

Page 2, paragraph 1, section 2a should read "Provider Bill of Rights".

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Dave clarified that the Colorado Childcare Assistance Program (CCAP) is not included in the statutes under the purview of the Division of Child Care. As such, LAC has no advisory capacity with regard to CCAP. A CHATS presentation at a LAC meeting may still be possible for informational purposes only.
2. Dave's first rule package will be submitted to State Board this Friday and includes rules related to statutes HB 101 106 and SB 101 108 (discussed at August LAC meeting).
3. The second Division of Child Care memorandum has been issued and allows individualized, singular rescue medicine administration by child care center classroom teachers to a child in their classroom in emergency situations.
4. Departments within the Division continue to offer presentations if LAC is interested. Members expressed interest in presentations on processes of adverse action and appeals, since both of these have had significant changes recently (e.g., Pre-Action Meeting (PAM), Pre-Appeal Determination Meetings).
5. Future rules will address adoption of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC), especially to address adoptions that are preceded by a change of guardianship.
6. The draft rules related to licensure of Neighborhood Youth Organizations (NYO) will be reviewed by an additional stakeholder who is concerned that licensure will become mandatory (as opposed to its current optional status).

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Other items committee members would like to discuss

- a. Ross Wright initiated discussion around his concern about unsuitable families that are rejected for certification as a foster family by a Child Placement Agency (CPA), or that are decertified by a CPA, approaching other CPAs and successfully receiving licensure through them. Discussion revealed that no current process exists to identify and track these families. A variety of possible actions (e.g., involving the TRAILS system and/or review team) were presented. It was noted that there is an established process for families that have been denied licensure to appeal the denial.

2. Topics to cover at future meetings

- a. Division of Child Care presentations on the processes of adverse action and appeals (with advance notice to invite public).
- b. Review of mandatory reporting requirements for suspicion of child abuse or neglect.

INFORMATION

Locations and dates for future meetings

Location: Colorado Department of Human Services
1575 Sherman Street
Room 4A/4B

Time: 1:00 – 3:00PM

Dates: 10/13/10
11/10/10
12/08/10