

DIRECTOR'S REPORT
OCCY COMMISSION MEETING
June 17, 2022

PERSONNEL

Business Manager: The position was posted, interviews were held, and a candidate was selected. The candidate accepted the job, but days before this person was to start, the candidate decided not to take the position after all. An offer was made to another candidate, but she had just started a new position. We will be posting the position again and starting over the process. My continued thanks goes to Assistant Director Mark James for all of the extra work he has put in while this position has been vacant.

Parent Partnership Board Program Coordinator: We are thrilled to announce that Isabel Rodriguez has joined OCCY to serve in this position. She comes to us with years of experience serving parents while working at the Latino Community Development Agency.

Freestanding Multidisciplinary Team Program Manager: Sadly, Mr. Jimmy Widdifield, Jr. resigned at the end of May to take a position with the National Child Advocacy Center. We wish him continued success in his new role. We will be posting the position as quickly as possible.

Temporary Position: Please welcome practicum student Max Smith to OCCY. He will be working with the Child Death Review Board throughout the summer.

FINANCES

General Budget Monitoring: Monthly finance meetings with the OMES and OCCY staff continue. ***(Please see attachment in Commissioner Packet.)***

SFY 2022 Expenditures: In addition to the general OMES reports that you receive, Assistant Director James will be providing a powerpoint presentation regarding our proposed SFY 2023 Budget.

OCCY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Post Adjudication Review Board - PARB (Keith Pirtle)

Update on PARB Database: Meetings continue to occur between the OU E-Team and PARB staff to fix glitches in the new database and create canned reports. This new system will provide information regarding the types of recommendations made to the court and the amount of time a child is out of the home. Currently, 30 out of the 43 PARBs are utilizing the new database.

Calendar Year (CY) Information: At the conclusion of Calendar Year 2021, there were 287 individual volunteers serving on 43 PARBs. There were two new PARBs created during that year in Pushmataha and Logan Counties. Unfortunately, the Muskogee County PARB became inactive during that year.

	2019	2020	2021
PARB Volunteers	315	298	287
Deprived Cases Reviewed	4,047	2,497	3,581
Delinquent Case Reviewed	458	131	129
Children Involved in the Case Reviews	6,823	3,419	5,344
Volunteer Hours Reported	8,441	6,848	7,277
Judicial Districts Served	25	25	25
Boards that Reviewed 100% of the Deprived Cases in their jurisdiction	27	13	19
Members Attended Training	146	383	363

Oklahoma Child Death Review Board – CDRB (Lisa Rhoades)

Number of Cases Closed: CDRB staff continue to make progress on setting up and closing cases. As the below table shows, a total of 75 cases were closed and a total of 57 cases were added to the database these past three months.

Year of Death	March 2022	April 2022	May 2022
2017	240/260	244/260	244/260
2018	137/243	188/243	194/243
2019	2/229	12/229	26/229
2020	0/248	0/249	0 /250
2021	0/ 84	0/107	0 /139

The first number is the number closed/the second number is the number of cases established in the system for review.

Practicum Student: Mr. Max Smith is now working with CDRB staff and staff from the Oklahoma State Department of Health, Maternal and Child Health Service to create and implement an environmental scan regarding safe sleep education for parents/caregivers (e.g., non-childcare center-related). He will be with us for the summer only.

Office of Planning and Coordination - P&C (Danielle Dill)

Upcoming Events:

- 1) In partnership with HARUV USA, P&C is hosting a “Children of Incarcerated Workshop” on June 24th in Tulsa. Keynote presenters include Dr. Nancy Correa of Texas Children’s Hospital and Dr. Hilary Cuthrell of the University of Wisconsin. A special feature of the event will be a panel comprised of individuals who have had experiences either being incarcerated or having an incarcerated loved one.
- 2) A fatherhood summit is being planned for Friday, August 12th from 10:00 to noon. A virtual presentation titled “The Global Boy Crisis: Why Our Boys are Struggling and What We Can Do About It” will be given by author Dr. Warren Farrell.

Parent Partnership Board: Children’s Trust Fund Alliance Consultants Kara Georgi, Edward Casillas, and Michael Huesca provided an in-person “Strategic Sharing” training for board

members in May. The goal of the training was to assist board members in crafting their parenting experiences into short, concise stories that would be useful in policymaking.

The Homeless Children and Youth Steering Committee: In April, 73 stakeholders joined the steering committee for a one-day strategic planning session facilitated by Falen LeBlanc and Amanda Aunko from the OU National Resource Center for Youth Services. Their goal was to devise a plan that would set priorities for reducing child and youth homelessness. ***(Please see attachment in the Commissioner Packet.)***

Communications (Rob Agnew)

Commissioner Welcome Handbook: In addition to the many handouts and powerpoint presentations that Mr. Agnew has created during the past three months, he created the new commissioner orientation handbook. This document will replace the notebook that commissioners were provided with when they first joined the commission. A copy of the handbook has been emailed to each commissioner.

Legislative/Policy Issues (Marcia Johnson)

Ms. Johnson will discuss legislation pertinent to OCCY at the commission meeting. ***(Please see attachment in Commissioner Packet.)***

Office of Juvenile Systems Oversight (Harold Jergenson, Tina Pendergraft, and Mark James)

	New Complaints	Closed Cases	Facility Complaints	Facility Oversight Visits
Jan 2021	24	29	0	0
Feb 2021	37	23	0	0
Mar 2021	42	27	0	0
April 2021	28	28	0	0
May 2021	30	53	1	0
June 2021	46	20	2	0
July 2021	25	37	0	0
Aug 2021	39	21	0	0
Sept 2021	46	43	0	0
Oct 2021	60	20	0	0
Nov 2021	37	39	0	1
Dec 2021	37	18	1	2
Jan 2022	34	49	0	0
Feb 2022	24	30	6	0
Mar2022	41	25	1	0
April 2022	34	36	0	0
May 2022	39	23	3	0

TOTALS	New Complaints	Closed Cases	Facility Complaints	Facility Oversight Visits
SFY19	404	368	7	1
SFY20	334	545	15	5
SFY21	364	337	3	3
SFY22 YTD	416	341	11	3

Foster Youth Matters/Foster Parent Voices (Mark James and Tina Pendergraft)

	# of Youth Complaints		# of Foster Parents Complaints
January 2021	27		10
February 2021	12		13
March 2021	29		18
April 2021	29		23
May 2021	41		9
June 2021	51		16
July 2021	41		6
August 2021	42		22
Sept 2021	35		14
October 2021	37		9
Nov 2021	30		18
Dec 2021	24		16
January 2022	28		9
February 2022	24**		14**
March 2022	26		17
April 2022	21		16
May 2022	46		10

TOTALS	# of Foster Youth Complaints		# of Foster Parent Complaints
SFY19	183*		180
SFY20	395		178
SFY21	405		182
SFY22 YTD	354		151

*Program stated in November 2018 (SFY19)

** In previous reports, the foster parent and foster youth numbers for the month of February were transposed.

Juvenile Competency Evaluations (Mark James)

	# of Referrals	# Competent	# Not Competent	Pending Completion
January 2021	5	4	1	0
February 2021	1	1	0	0
March	1	0	1	0
April 2021	2*	0	1	0
May 2021	1	1	0	0
June 2021	1	0	1	0
July 2021	5	0	5	0
August 2021	5*	2	2	0
Sept 2021	4	1	3	0
October 2021	5	3	2	0
Nov 2021	3	0	3	0
Dec 2021	2	1	1	0
January 2022	3	0	3	0
February 2022	2	0	2	0
March 2022	5	0	3	2
April 2022	4	0	3	1
May 2022	6	1	0	5

*One evaluation dismissed

TOTALS	# of Referrals	# Declared Competent	# Declared Not Competent	Pending Completion
SFY19	32	19	13	0
SFY20	34^	14	18	0
SYF21	37+	10	24	0
SFY22 YTD	44*	8	27	8

^Two evaluations canceled

+Three evaluations canceled

*One evaluation canceled

Children's Justice Act Grant: Completed Trainings (Jimmy Widdifield, Jr.)

1. Helping All Children: LGBTQ+ Youth and Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Systems
Presenter: Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth
Date: Mar. 1, 2022, 8:30a – 10:30a
Location: Virtual
Number of attendees: 16
Note: Requested by The CART House (El Reno, OK) due to an increase of cases involving LGBTQ+ youth.
2. It's Just Marijuana! The Effects of Marijuana & Other Drugs, Legal and Illegal, On Oklahoma Children
Presenter: Mary Stockett, MD, Oklahoma Children's Hospital at OU Health
Date: Mar. 3, 2022, 9:00a – 12:00p
Location: Virtual
Number of attendees: 170
3. Sex Offenders: Understanding and Respond to Sexual Crimes
Presenter: Cory Jewel Jensen, MS, Center for Behavioral Interventions, Inc.
Date: Mar. 24, 2022, 8:30a – 5:00p
Location: In-person, Oklahoma City, OK
Number of attendees: 35
4. Sex Offenders: Understanding and Respond to Sexual Crimes
Presenter: Cory Jewel Jensen, MS, Center for Behavioral Interventions, Inc. in partnership with Ray of Hope Center, Inc.
Date: Mar. 25, 2022, 8:30a – 5:00p
Location: In-person, Broken Arrow, OK
Number of attendees: 75
5. A Look Under the Hood of DNA in Sexual Assault Investigations
Presenter: Campbell Ruddock, Forensic DNA Laboratory, Oklahoma City Police Department
Date: Apr. 13, 2022, 9:00a – 10:25a
Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North
Number of attendees: 50
Note: This course was an advanced training institute at the 28th Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference; up to 5.00 continuing medical education units were available.
6. Diagnostic Imaging Approach to Non-accidental Trauma in Children
Presenter: Sateesh Jayappa, MD, Arkansas Children's Hospital, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
Date: Apr. 13, 2022, 10:35a – 12:00p
Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North
Number of attendees: 50
Note: This course was an advanced training institute at the 28th Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference; up to 5.00 continuing medical education units were available.
7. Current Child Maltreatment Medical Research and Controversies
Presenter: Ryan Brown, MD, and Larissa Hines, MD, FAAP, Oklahoma Children's Hospital at OU Health, University of Oklahoma College of Medicine

Date: Apr. 13, 2022, 1:30p – 2:55p

Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North

Number of attendees: 50

Note: This course was an advanced training institute at the 28th Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference; up to 5.00 continuing medical education units were available.

8. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners and Child Sexual Abuse in Oklahoma

Presenter: Kathy Bell, MS, RN, Tulsa Police Department

Date: Apr. 13, 2022, 3:05p – 4:00p

Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North

Number of attendees: 50

Note: This course was an advanced training institute at the 28th Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference; up to 5.00 continuing medical education units were available.

9. The Rainbow Response: PFLAG Panel on Respectful Strategies for Helping LGBTQ+ Children and Their Families

Presenter: Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Date: Apr. 14, 2022, 10:30a – 12:00p

Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North

Number of attendees: 40

10. It's Not Voldemort: Enhancing Intercultural Competence with Families with "New Age" and "Pagan" Religious and Spiritual Beliefs

Presenter: Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Date: Apr. 15, 2022, 10:30a – 12:00p

Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North

Number of attendees: 10

11. Oklahoma Child Advocacy Centers and Free-Standing Multidisciplinary Teams

Presenter: Carrie Little, MS, Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma; Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Date: Apr. 15, 2022, 1:30p – 3:00p

Location: In-person, Hilton Garden Inn Edmond / Oklahoma City North

Number of attendees: 10

12. Overview: ChildFirst® Forensic Interviewing Protocol

Presenter: Rita Farrell, Zero Abuse Project

Date: Apr. 29, 2022, 9:00a – 10:30a CT

Location: Virtual

Number of attendees: 31

13. ChildFirst® Oklahoma EX: Expanded Forensic Interview Process

Presenter: Maria Rosales-Lambert and Vicki Boan, OK Interviewing Services, Inc.

Date: May 2-3, 2022, 8:00a – 5:00p each day

Location: In-person, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Number of attendees: 5

14. Oklahoma Child Advocacy Centers and Free-Standing Multidisciplinary Teams

Presenter: Carrie Little, MS, Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma; Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Date: May 12, 2022, 8:30a – 12:00p

Location: In-person, Poteau, OK
Number of attendees: 13

15. Helping All Children: LGBTQ+ Youth and Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Systems
Presenter: Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth
Date: May 12, 2022, 1:00p – 4:00p
Location: In-person, Poteau, OK
Number of Attendees: 15
16. Child Abuse and Neglect and Mandated Reporting in Oklahoma
Presenter: Tricia Gardner, JD,
Date: May 17, 2022, 8:00a – 5:00p each day
Location: In-person, Woodward, OK
Number of Attendees: 33
17. Core Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Awareness
Presenter: Eric Nation and Stacey Reed, National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children
Date: May 24, 2022, 1:00p – 2:30p
Location: Virtual
Number of Attendees: 48
18. Interviewing Children with Disabilities
Presenter: Tomiko Mackey, Zero Abuse Project
Date: May 26, 2022, 1:00p – 2:30p
Location: Virtual
Number of attendees: 51

Children’s Justice Act Grant: Upcoming Trainings (Jimmy Widdifield, Jr.) *For more information about the below trainings and/or how to register, please contact Makala Pittman at (405) 606-4903 or makala.pittman@occy.ok.gov.*

1. Beyond the Bruises: Coercive Control in the Lives of Victims of Intimate Partner Violence and their Children
Presenter: Jacqueline Steyn, Oklahoma State University
Date: June 14, 2022, 1:00p – 4:00p
Location: Virtual
2. How Do I Know It Is Intimate Partner Violence?
Presenter: Jacqueline Steyn, Oklahoma State University
Date: June 16, 2022, 1:00p – 4:00p
Location: In-person, Lawton, OK
3. Pediatric SANE
Presenter: Kathy Bell, RN,
Date: June 20-24, 2022, 8:00a – 5:00p each day
Format/Location: In-person, Tulsa, OK
4. Interviewing Adolescents
Presenter: Catie Dahl, Zero Abuse Project

Date: June 28, 2022, 9:00a – 10:30a
Location: Virtual

Children's Justice Act Grant for Training (CJAG): The third quarter report for the CJAG was submitted to the Oklahoma Advisory Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect. Below is a summary of results. OCCY exceeded grant requirements of 25 trainings and two ChildFirst® Oklahoma trainings.

- 30 training events completed
- 58 unique sessions/topics
 - 17 local trainers
 - 14 national trainers
- 87 sessions provided (includes 12 repeated topics)
- 2,483 participants
- 23 training events were provided virtually and 7 were provided in-person
- 209.50 hours of training provided

Freestanding Multidisciplinary Teams (Jimmy Widdifield, Jr.)

New Orientation Training: Mr. Widdifield collaborated with Carrie Little, Executive Director of Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma, Inc., to finalize an orientation training curriculum for multidisciplinary teams. The training was provided to District Attorney District 16 and the Choctaw Nation on May 12.

Special Recognition: In April, Mr. Widdifield was awarded the Barbara L. Bonner Award for Distinguished Service by the Interdisciplinary Training Program on Child Abuse and Neglect at the Center on Child Abuse and Neglect, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center.

Board of Child Abuse Examiners (BCAE): Dr. Stockett continued development of training curriculum for child abuse medical examiner training, participated in Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner coordination and training, and developed training sessions for upcoming events. Makala Pittman and Dr. Stockett are working to schedule child abuse medical examiner trainings, which will highlight local medical providers, for District Attorney districts 6, 17, and 19 via the Children's Advocacy Centers and/or FSMDT in those districts.

Child Death Reviews by the Chief Child Abuse Examiner (Dr. Mary Stockett):

	Death Cases Reviewed by the Chief
July 2021	2
August 2021	2
September 2021	1
October 2021	1
November 2021	2
December 2021	1
January 2022	0
February 2022	0
March 2022	3
April 2022	0
May 2022	8

Respectfully submitted,

June 17, 2022

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