

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES LOCALLY

2/1/21 Spokane planning meeting notes

In attendance:

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Presentation Materials: <https://dcyf.box.com/s/w0sbaoczy49qfyi1hbm4hgjvwnxporx>

Notes:

- Special education: is there information on what disabilities are common? - We do not have access to this information
- Spokane is one of the highest in the state for needs of CPS caregivers for substance abuse treatment
- Is there a plan to share service availability data related to the need you're all sharing here?
 - HCA collects this data and may be able to provide it to us
- What is the number of family treatment models in the state? Is there going to be a payer model for this work?
 - Again, HCA would be tracking this because they are in charge of payments. Sounds like a need for connection to HCA around substance use treatment, specifically
- Do you have the breakdown of screened-in per zip code? – we cannot share this publicly because the data can become identifiable with a small N
- Would love to see how you all analyze the data to really unpack the persistent maltreatment and equity issues
- Anecdotally – Providence is seeing increased severity of maltreatment in hospitals and healthcare centers. Is there a way to break down the types of abuse/neglect into more specific categories
 - RDA collecting some tags for medical referrals
 - Data that we have suggests that as a whole, severity has not increased, but that doesn't
- Would focusing on food security in these areas - "when you're well fed, you're less angry"
 - Contributing to stress and feelings of needs being unmet - are there other needs that people are thinking about as well?
- When half of the referrals are neglect, how do we remedy economic concerns without sweeping legislation?



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- When we try to lessen these needs, this are very politicized and it's hard to generate the conversation and buy-in
- Economic needs - hard for families to access benefits - unemployment or CAREs funding
- If resources are available, they're not accessible to the families who need them most
- Looking at collective efficacy as a counter to economic disparities - how to leverage collective voice in a project like this
- Map of households behind on utility payments looks extremely similar to the graphic shown in this presentation.
<https://www.spokesman.com/stories/2020/dec/27/nearly-a-third-of-spokane-utility-customers-are-mo/>
- There is also a graphic depicting historic oppression in these areas, "redlining" -
<https://dsl.richmond.edu/panorama/redlining>
- Diversity-equity in Spokane - how to look carefully at BIPOC kids - overlaps with economic needs as well
 - Data suggests disproportionality at the referral rate, not at screen in decision, but at placement decisions

