

Educational Presentations at Dependency Team Meetings

The Yamhill County Juvenile Dependency Excellence Committee (JDEC) meets the first Monday of every month. The Committee consists of members from DHS, Attorney General's office, DA's office, CASA, CRB, parents and children's attorneys, court staff, foster parents, judges, and others. The meetings usually consist of announcements, current issues and an educational presentation. Here is an overview of some of the presentations that were made in the last year:

- Review policy regarding "Consultation with Child" for permanency hearings. Judge Easterday
- Oregon Safety Model review. Deena Loughary, DHS
- Adoption Process Timeline. Stacey Daeschner, DHS and Simonne Weyand, AAG
- Use of psychotropic medication for kids in foster care. Steve Lindeman, CRB field manager
- Presentation by Angela Fasana, Trial Court Administrator, The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. Information on services, cultural activities for children / tribal members and videotape to be shown.
- Follow up on Model Court Day from 8/13/13; review action plan for implementation of goal: to reduce the number of APPLA plans where appropriate.
- Presentation on "Working with Relatives of Dependent Children" by Steve Lindeman, Field Manager, CRB. Mr. Lindeman attended a training that was identified as a strategy, as a part of the Model Court Plan, to reduce APPLAs.
- Review Foster Youth Bill of Rights, SB 123; 2013
- Review DHS Safety Threshold Criteria. Stacey Daeschner, DHS Branch Manager
- "Temporary Visit and Contact Plans" and "Ongoing Visit and Contact Plans" pursuant to OAR 413-070-0860. Presentation by DHS
- Supervised visitation; OAR 413-070-0830; discuss frequency of visits depending on different age groups; when does first visit start. DHS will present DHS protocols. Kim Lorz and M. Navarrette, DHS
- Appellate update – recent case law. Rachel Negra, attorney
- 2013 legislative changes. Judge Easterday