HUMBOLDT COUNTY Child Protection Reporting Guide (CPRG)

AN OVERVIEW OF HUMBOLDT COUNTY'S CPRG DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND LESSONS LEARNED MARCH 1, 2023



HUMBOLDT COUNTY CPRG ORIGINS

- Attorney General (AG) Stipulated Judgment Requirement
 - 2018 2022
- Recommendation by Evident Change (EC) for inclusion in Judgment
 - EC conducted data analysis on Humboldt County reporting trends
- Online Mandated Reporter Guide one of over 30 requirements in AG
 Stipulated Judgment
- Humboldt County is currently in early implementation stage of CPRG

LOCAL TRENDS IN COMMUNITY REPORTING

California 2020		Humboldt County 2020	
Allegation Rates (per 1,000 children)	43.4	Allegation Rates (per 1,000 children)	76.5
Evaluate-Out Rates Proportion of reports that do not meet the threshold for child protection response.	42%	Evaluate-Out Rates Proportion of reports that do not meet the threshold for child protection response.	64%
Investigation Rates (per 1,000 children)	31.2	Investigation Rates (per 1,000 children)	40.4

CONSIDERING EQUITY

ALLEGATION RATE BY RACE/ETHNICITY 2020



HUMBOLDT COUNTY CPRG WORKGROUP

- "Community Task Force" -Requirement of AG Stipulated Judgment
- Venue for child and family serving professionals to give input to CWS
- Identified in the Judgment as group to develop the CPRG
 - Task Force and CPRG Subcommittee of Task Force develop CPRG



CPRG DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

2019 Inter Rater Reliability Testing, Field Testing, Case Readings 2020 Analysis of Testing Results, Refinement, Deployment of Interim Tool, and Development of Training Materials 2021 Transition to Permanent Web Platform, User Acceptance Training (UAT), Community Demonstrations and Further Refinement 2022 Request For Proposals for Contractor to Facilitate Implementation and Ongoing Sustainability

2018 Workgroup Developed Initial Draft

CHALLENGES

- Framed as a CWS corrective action item with court ordered deadlines
- CWS as the lead agency
- No formal partner agency
- Mandated reporter buy-in
- Community Task Force as workgroup open venue participation with new/changing participants
- Concerns from Tribal community
 - Example No cross report to Tribes regarding their members when report not made to CWS hotline. Humboldt County policy is to notify Tribe at Hotline for all reports received involving one of their members.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Mechanism to connect families to prevention/entitlement/beneficial programs as the driver
- CPRG that structurally supports warm handoff and connection to prevention services
- Lead agency not CWS
- Readiness/buy-in from mandated reporter community
- Tribal consultation
- Agency identified early on for implementation/sustainability



