

## Brevard C.A.R.E.S. Report May 2019

**Strengthening Families...Whatever It Takes!** 

## April 2019

The majority of this month was spent writing the System of Care Expansion and Sustainability Grant and Child Abuse Prevention activities. Unfortunately, due to a submission error at the County, we were eliminated from the review process for the grant. Although Ian tried, there was no way to reverse SAMHSA's decision. We continue to be thankful for the County's initial support and are committed to moving forward with some of our plans, just at a slower pace and will revisit this funding, if possible, in the future. Phil and I will be meeting with our grant writer to seek other funding opportunities.

I have put together a budget request and program expansion proposal and shared it with Phil and Jim for critique. We would like to continue the process of aligning our programs and seeking to expand the Behavioral Health service options in order to expand our potential revenue sources. Medicaid substitution codes are available for MRT and Wraparound. It will take further credentialing to be able to use these codes. The Clinical Services Manager will be able to focus on creating the procedures if some of her current tasks are moved over into the "Family Safety" Program. We would also like to add support for relative/non-relative caregivers through Parenting with Love and Limits (PLL) and reunification support services to fill a gap within our System of Care.

We have been meeting weekly with FidelityEHR and will be testing the system within the next couple of weeks. This addition will increase our data driven practice and assist in ensuring fidelity to practice.

I will be traveling to Virginia with the Executive Director from PLL, John Burek May 19 – 20 to present PLL at the National Health and Human Services Summit; I always look forward to sharing lessons learned and having an opportunity to collaborate with strong partners.

And finally, thank you again to Christa, for the Easter baskets. They disappeared almost as fast as they arrived!

Respectfully Submitted,

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