



# **Brevard C.A.R.E.S.**

**Executive Director Report  
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**Strengthening Families...Whatever It Takes!**

## **Key accomplishment(s) this past month**

- Brevard CARES has working with the evaluation team at Fidelity Electronic Health Records to identify the proper assessment for the cases that will be enrolled in the Brevard Behavioral Expansion Grant. The grant initially recommended the uses of the CANS assessment, but the CARES Model references the protective factors survey. The team agreed to streamline the outcomes, the protective factors survey will be used.
- Brevard CARES met with the Brevard Public School student support services team. The team reviewed the requirements when a Mobile Response Team response is needed on site as well as addressed the expired Memorandum of Understanding. The team notated there are no significant changes for the MOU needed and the school board will issue a MOU for the current school year.
- Brevard CARES had one employee participate in pre-service training to become a certified child welfare professional. Kimberly Cone from the Family Support Services team was a part of the training this time and graduated on 8/18/2021.
- Brevard CARES completed their annual monitoring with the Brevard Housing Coalition. Last year, due to COVID and the status of Brevard CARES, only a desk audit was required. This year the audit was performed on site. Overall, there were only minor things missing from the files but no deficiencies or causes for Brevard CARES to be placed on a Corrective Action Plan.

## **Key challenges moving forward**

- Brevard CARES in on the last step towards completing the Behavioral Health application through Medicaid. This step requires a medical doctor to agree to attach their license to our agency for Medicaid billing.

Respectfully Submitted,

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