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Citizen Review Panel Meeting- September 9, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

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elizabethmohler: H.

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elizabethmohler: And then, Margie, so, by way of context, this, Christian and Ronnie and, I guess, Dr. Brooks, if... if...

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elizabethmohler: Dr. Brooks is able to join us, are, going to be sharing CFSA's response to the CRP annual report that, Margie and Ronnie prepared and submitted. When... when was it?

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elizabethmohler: Submitted?

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Margie Chalofsky: it was...

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elizabethmohler: End of May, beginning of June. Okay.

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Margie Chalofsky: One of those days. It was late, as I usually am, a little bit.

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elizabethmohler: And there was a, an attachment to...

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elizabethmohler: the email that included the written responses, I think everyone should have gotten that, in an email that, Tony sent out.

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elizabethmohler: Maybe.

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elizabethmohler: Last week, yeah.

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Margie Chalofsky: So I figured we could just go through them, instead of sharing the screen so that we can see each other as we talk, maybe we could just go through them point by point. And also, just a little...

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Margie Chalofsky: History also, you know, often the annual report is recommendations from work groups, but the work groups are just really getting into the meat of their stuff, so a lot of... so...

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Margie Chalofsky: Some of them were general recommendations, and some were preliminary recommendations coming from the work groups. So,

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Margie Chalofsky: if... between Elizabeth and Ronnie and Christian, if you want to facilitate, going through...

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Margie Chalofsky: The recommendations one by one, and having discussions on those that would.

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Carolyn Woods: That would be terrific.

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Margie Chalofsky: However.

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elizabethmohler: Okay. Elizabeth, I want to do that.

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elizabethmohler: I know, Ronnie and Christian, what would you like me to...

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elizabethmohler: Read the recommendation, and then you all can respond, or what would make the most sense?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): That... that makes sense to me.

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Roni Seabrook: Okay.

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elizabethmohler: Let me find it. Hold on, give me a second.

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Margie Chalofsky: I have it printed out if you want me to start while you're finding yours.

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elizabethmohler: Sure, yeah, that'd be great. Thanks, Margie.

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Margie Chalofsky: Sure. So the first recommendation actually relates to the family time work group, so I'm gonna perk up,

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Margie Chalofsky: Tyra and Wanda's years here.

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Margie Chalofsky: And it... the recommendation was, based upon national data showing a correlation between family time and successful reunification, we recommend that for families in out-of-home care.

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Margie Chalofsky: Especially those with the goal of reunification, the length and frequency of family time be frequently tracked throughout the case from the beginning to the end.

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Margie Chalofsky: Additionally, any barriers to increasing family time or transitioning to unsupervised family time should be consistently evaluated and documented.

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Margie Chalofsky: And the response from CFSA was that this recommendation is already in place with the implementation and launch of STAND and the Family Time Plan.

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Margie Chalofsky: So this is actually when I thought there might be some Some substantial questions from,

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Margie Chalofsky: especially the workgroup and anybody else on the committee about, about your response in terms of the recommendation already being in place. So I... I would want to ask,

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Margie Chalofsky: Dr. Thompson, Dr. Moore, either of you want to.

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Wanda Thompson: Well...

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Margie Chalofsky: Questions?

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Wanda Thompson: Yeah, well, we're gonna be having the STAN training a little later this week, so we're excited about doing that so that we can really, jump in and really begin. But, I was curious in reference to the, response that

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Wanda Thompson: The recommendations are already in place, and so I guess I would just like to hear a little bit more about, the Family Time Plan as defined by CFSA, what that... what that refers to. And also, I know that we're going to have the training, but maybe if you could just say a little bit about how

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Wanda Thompson: You know, how family time is tracked a little in the stand, that would be helpful.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Thank you for your question. I do not have the exact definition to share at this time, but I'll make sure to get it and share it with this team by the end of the week.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): With regard to the time, my understanding is that we are going to,

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): to implement the recommendation that you shared with us, I mean, that we have already implemented. All the data is being tracked right now in the system.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I think it would be best to perhaps, you know, wait until you receive the training to get a better sense of how exactly we are going to measure family time. I hope that that addresses your question.

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Wanda Thompson: Well... Okay, I guess I just...

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Wanda Thompson: I know that you may not have the exact definition for family time plan, but I guess anything that you could just share with us in terms of how...

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Wanda Thompson: What that means in terms of...

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Wanda Thompson: How you all define it, or...

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Wanda Thompson: Guess anything about it would be helpful.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So I will be transparent, I am not,

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): you know, the best qualified to answer this question at this time, but what I can say is I will make sure to get that definition for this team and share it by the end of the week.

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Wanda Thompson: Alright, thank you.

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Carolyn Woods: Thank you, huh.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I might just add, I... I can appreciate what you're sharing, Christian, in response.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I think what we're hoping to see

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): some of the categories we were... we were trying to track, I think, just were not clear in faces. Things like,

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): what constitutes, like, the decision making, or how are decisions being made between moving from supervised to unsupervised. So, I'm hoping that as we do see more about STAND, we'll get to see more of how the data is tracked in a way that I think is more consistent across cases.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Because I think what we found when we went through the cases is a lot of the information we wanted to know about was really hard to suss out, even from the narratives that social workers were putting in, and we didn't really understand the decision-making process, we didn't understand timing, we didn't understand a lot of the things that we're seeing in literature are really important to, kind of, the correlation or the connection between family time and reunification.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): So hopefully we'll get that, and maybe some of what you're going to share with us, but also in getting that in the STAN training. I think one of the things I was curious about, maybe also, I don't know if either of you could speak to it, is...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): about whether the STAN training was... was just focused on moving from, like, one data capturing system to another data capturing system, or whether there was also some training around family time, and how social workers should be navigating that.

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Roni Seabrook: And Christian, I'm now going to apologize. In the past, and Christian is new to joining us, we have had program staff at these meetings.

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Roni Seabrook: Christian and I do not work in programs, so I apologize, we cannot answer your program-related questions. But we will get responses to you, but I do encourage you during the, STAN training to ask them to specifically look at the family time plan. I, myself, have not seen it.

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Roni Seabrook: And, it would have been great to have Ann here. She's been able to join us in the past, so I want to just go ahead and put that out. We know some program stuff, but we are on the macro side of things, and so we're not practitioners.

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Carolyn Woods: and...

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Roni Seabrook: and doing the work, and I'm not even familiar with Stan, so I need lots of training, you know, to catch up, to be able to do the pieces that I'm responsible for, so just in transparency, I want to go ahead and share that ahead of time. But whatever questions we can't answer, we will, speak with the staff and get back to you.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Could you maybe... Margie, I see you wanting to say something. I just wanted to check in and see if there was anything you could recommend, or... I mean, obviously, we'll want to see, kind of, how things are tracked, but... and I'm wondering if we should bring in, kind of, our...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): some of the categories we were looking to track before, so that we can see where there are correlations, or where some information still may be missing? Is there... would there be appropriate time in the training for that, or are we just going to just kind of get information provided? Is there... would it be more of... will the staff doing the training be open to kind of...

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Carolyn Woods: Allowing us to look through the...

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Roni Seabrook: The training is being provided by, who's doing... is Belinda doing the training? Christian, do you know?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): It would be Bill and Doug, probably.

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Roni Seabrook: She's also not a program person, but very... will be very familiar. I mean, I... Dr. Marri would say it can't hurt to ask.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Okay.

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Margie Chalofsky: So what would be the appropriate, then, and we totally get that, and this is the first time I think we're doing it this way, the feedback, and Christian.

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Roni Seabrook: Yeah.

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Margie Chalofsky: and this... I've never been part... you know, so this is all new, and it's just fine, we're developing.

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Roni Seabrook: You know.

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Margie Chalofsky: But what would you suggest? So, since this is a new data system, and this group has, you know, some pretty,

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Margie Chalofsky: clear ideas of things they would love to see tracked. How... how could those recommendations

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Margie Chalofsky: actually be made to program staff to see whether that's possible. So, in other words, here he's saying that it's not in your lane, and it's not really in the lane of the person doing... so, would we then have that communication with Ann, or...

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Margie Chalofsky: So...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I can answer that question. I think the best way to proceed would be for this team to share the detailed recommendations of what you would like us to track.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): And perhaps we could work together to design.

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Carolyn Woods: I hate that.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): dashboard that would include all of that information. We would be able to work with program to make sure that everybody's on board with, you know, designing a dashboard, but our team has the skills needed to create one for you.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But all we will need is for you to list all the data elements that you would like us to track, and we'll do our best to capture that in a dashboard.

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Margie Chalofsky: That's wonderful, thank you. There is background noise coming... Carolyn, I think it's actually from your phone.

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Carolyn Woods: Warrior.

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Margie Chalofsky: Maybe you could maybe just maybe mute your... your... I think she stepped away.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, whitney?

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Whitney's iPhone : I was just gonna, point out and ask Carolyn if she could mute her... Her, her device.

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elizabethmohler: Yep.

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Wanda Thompson: Let me just also just say one more thing in reference to the family time, that hopefully we'll be able to do. One of the things that I'm trying to do is to research a lot of the national data, and I would just be curious to know what sources you all use to compare them so that

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Wanda Thompson: As we're talking, you know, we're talking from the same.

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Wanda Thompson: From the same data and all as well, too. There's some very good... some of the states have some really good,

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Wanda Thompson: ideas and data and points that they make, and I'm just curious if we're going to be talking about the same one, so...

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Wanda Thompson: Thank you.

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Theresa Gibson: I have a question, is there, like, another opportunity to... to go through this?

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Theresa Gibson: When there's other... when there's people on the... on the call that might know the answer.

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Theresa Gibson: I mean, because we put the recommendations out.

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Theresa Gibson: So I'm wondering if there's another opportunity to kind of, like, have this meeting with CFSA.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So, thank you so much, and I want to recognize that, you know, not everyone is at the table right now, and so we probably will not be able to address all your questions tonight. If you think we should

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): you know, have another meeting, and invite, you know, specific staff from CFSA, I think we can definitely do that. I'm not sure we will be able to schedule that meeting in the evening.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So I wonder if there could be some flexibility, maybe, to have a meeting during the day?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): If that's possible, then yes, we can definitely try to, to invite other CFSA staff.

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Margie Chalofsky: Maybe what we could do is go through the recommendations and see which ones still,

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Margie Chalofsky: need work and need more of a deeper response, and then if it's specific to one work group, then we can work with that work group to, as you said before, to put in those recommendations. If it's more general and we need more people, then we can deal with that and see how that goes.

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Margie Chalofsky: And maybe just, you know, get through...

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Margie Chalofsky: As many as we can address tonight.

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Margie Chalofsky: And go forward in that way. Does that make sense to people?

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Margie Chalofsky: Is that okay?

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Margie Chalofsky: Sure. So, Wanda and Tyra, can I move on to the next one, which is also in your... is in your lane?

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I just wanted to pose one other question,

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): just maybe that we could get it back in the report. One of the things we've had a question about is, which is a little bit separate from this recommendation, but connected, we've been hearing that the family time, or right, what's still called, like, super,

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Child and parent visits, supervised visits, that that policy was going to be updated at some point, but we didn't get clarity on when

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): The, like, administrative policy would be updated, so we are still curious about that, and if that's in process right now, or that's something that's maybe not going to be addressed.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Yes, it is in process. Our targeted date for finalizing those updates is the end of this month, so we'll make sure to keep you involved in that update.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Okay. Would it be possible in the STAN training to get maybe a... I don't know if you share drafts or, like, working kind of drafts of something, so when we're kind of meeting about the STAN training, we could also get a sense of where it's headed?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I'm going to see. This will require an internal conversation, because it hasn't been fully reviewed by our legal team yet, but I will do my best.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Okay, thank you.

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Margie Chalofsky: So, you know, back in the day, there was,

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Margie Chalofsky: there were often external people at the table when policies were being redone. I sat through many of them myself when I was at FAPAC. So, you know, wondering if the policy is still in draft form, if there may even be a chance to incorporate some of the

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Margie Chalofsky: Things that, you know, people who are working on that project might, so maybe that's something that...

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, Christian and Ronnie, you could maybe get back to us on whether there's still any opening in whatever format you're at.

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Margie Chalofsky: in the draft form, that there might be some possibility for some input. I have a lot of fond memories of sitting around policy tables for hours and hours arguing with legal, but it was still fun, and we got a lot done. So, just wondering about that.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Absolutely, I... yes, that... most definitely, and I will make sure to, get everyone involved in this, yes.

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Margie Chalofsky: Elizabeth, did you want to go for the second question, or do you have.

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elizabethmohler: Yeah, sure. So, second recommendation...

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elizabethmohler: Also related, I believe, to family time is,

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elizabethmohler: that the CRP recommends that CFSA begin designing a pre-test, And then implement periodic

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elizabethmohler: Post-test measures to assess the factors they want to see present in families prior to reunification, excuse me, based on the qualities and traits they have observed in successful reunifications.

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elizabethmohler: And then the response from CFSA was recommendation under consideration. CFSA is committed to gaining feedback from biological parents.

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elizabethmohler: To inform practice, and we'll determine the best clinical approach.

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elizabethmohler: To obtain this information.

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Margie Chalofsky: And let me just say that we, again, this was a preliminary recommendation before we really got into

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Margie Chalofsky: Project, so definitely open to hearing where

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, what other approaches or any conversation on... on this, and again, I'll sit back and let...

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Margie Chalofsky: Dr. Thompson and Dr. Moore take the lead on any questions on this.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I think...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I think you said it well, Margie. We're just looking to, I think, hear more about where... what kind of feedback loop there is, and what ways CFSA may be doing or considering gathering that kind of information. We're kind of

moving, as the report said, from a quantitative to a more qualitative approach, because of some of the struggles we had in kind of getting that more,

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): finite data. And so...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): we would love to be able to access any of that information in any way that CFSA is gathering it now, and...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): you know, would be happy to make some recommendations and build off of the recommendation we already made, going forward, so I don't know if that's something that could also happen in that stands training, or if this is... now we're talking about a separate meeting with program staff, as you mentioned.

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Wanda Thompson: And, you know, maybe at some point it might even be helpful to have

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Wanda Thompson: a focus group with some of the social workers to talk about the things that they have seen in successful reunifications, and...

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Wanda Thompson: And how they go about thinking about that, measuring it, qualitatively, even, as they move forward, to do... to think that, parents, for example, are actually...

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Wanda Thompson: You know.

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Wanda Thompson: gaining from the coaching, from everything else that's been going on, so that the reunification can occur, so...

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Wanda Thompson: We can talk about that later, I think.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So if I can just respond, I think this would be an amazing opportunity to partner.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Our team, you know, if you would like us to, we would love to participate in those conversations with, social workers, and gather that, qualitative feedback, with you.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But if you prefer to have those conversations separately, then that is also fine, and we're happy to facilitate, I mean, to help you.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Facilitate those meetings.

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Margie Chalofsky: The great possibility of partnership, that sounds really good.

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Margie Chalofsky: So the work group can talk about that amongst themselves and figure out where to...

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Roni Seabrook: Yeah, and this, again, is another question. I think I wish Ann Riley was in the room. This is her area, and so when we consider meeting again, we definitely need to have her at the table, because she's gonna have all the expert content knowledge and kind of background information and current status of practice that you all want to hear.

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Margie Chalofsky: She was really... she's been really helpful. She met with.

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Roni Seabrook: It's amazing, yeah.

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Margie Chalofsky: reaching out work group. We had a meeting, so we, we certainly know that,

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Margie Chalofsky: That could be a successful mating, also.

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Roni Seabrook: Yep.

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Margie Chalofsky: We finished with this question?

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Roni Seabrook: Yeah, we have it on hold for Anne, but yes.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay.

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Roni Seabrook: In part, yeah.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Great, thank you all.

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Margie Chalofsky: Back to you, Elizabeth.

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elizabethmohler: Okay, so I think this next recommendation pertains to the youth aging out.

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elizabethmohler: Work group...

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elizabethmohler: To our knowledge, the only housing data CFSA has for youth aging out of care is on the actual date they leave care. We recommend that youth be followed for a year to better understand outcomes regarding housing.

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elizabethmohler: And CFSA responded, CFSA agrees with this recommendation and recognizes the value in collecting post-transition data.

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elizabethmohler: We will do so for youth who opt in to youth aftercare services post-involvement with CFSA. We also commit to continuing collaboration with DHS for youth who may require

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elizabethmohler: additional supports and services.

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Margie Chalofsky: Anybody specifically from Youth Aging Out want to comment on... on the CFSA response?

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Theresa Gibson: So it sounds like... If the youth age out, And it's not an aftercare.

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Theresa Gibson: You all wouldn't consider, like, Reaching out, just find out How they're doing, or what's...

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Theresa Gibson: So is that, is that kind of like what it was said?

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Theresa Gibson: I mean, because... Right.

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Theresa Gibson: Yeah.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So, I think the concern here... Is that we...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): We want to be cognizant that, you know.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): There could be government overreach in that case, and...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): If a youth, you know, is not participating in those services.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): then they... they might have an expectation that CFSA will... will not reach out to them, you know.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): continuously, in order to gather data on them. I think that is the key concern.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But if you still think that we should engage youth that do not participate in those services, please let us know, and we can try to have this conversation internally.

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Roni Seabrook: Christian, can I ask this, is this not NITED data that we...

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Roni Seabrook: Do we not collect NIDA data on housing?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): We do collect 90 data, they're... there...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): there are some limitations on what we can share, I believe.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But, but let's continue this conversation, and I will make sure to elevate those concerns internally.

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Margie Chalofsky: Ronnie, what did you say?

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Roni Seabrook: Yeah, so they need a quick and dirty united, and...

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Roni Seabrook: My teammate, has... works on NID, it's not my project, so I'm going to ask Christian to help me. I know... so NITED is the National... National Youth in Transition Database, and the Children's Bureau requires that all jurisdictions actually collect data on youth that have aged out up to 21.

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Roni Seabrook: I think, and it's on services, and that's what I was asking, is one of those services housing. Part of the challenge I've seen over the years is that after they leave care, for some youth, they don't want to be contacted.

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Roni Seabrook: Right? They just, they're done with the foster care system.

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Roni Seabrook: maybe it's a good experience, maybe it was a bad experience, maybe they're just done. So I know, as they get older, like, it's easy to get the 17s, the 18s, as we get to 19, 20, 21, and we're trying to just track to see how they're doing, it's hard, because there's no requirement that they stay in contact with us. But I know we do collect NIDA data, and there may be public information around NIDA on

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Roni Seabrook: the federal website, so it's in the National Youth in Transition Database, and so I would... I would see what's out there. I'm not familiar, it's not my project, so Krishna, I don't know if you want to add anything to that.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Right, and so I, I think,

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): one commitment I can make is that we could, discuss sharing that highlighted data with you. We are building a dashboard at this time.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): All that information is shared with the federal government, but I do think that this could be an opportunity to, you know, to be more transparent about the services received by youth, and we could, you know, we could share that with this panel, if that's something that you think could help.

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Margie Chalofsky: You know, I think, and please, please, Teresa and other people on the Oldie Youth Group, correct me if I'm wrong, but I think that our recommendation was that CFSA

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Margie Chalofsky: learn that information more than it was that we learned that information. So, in other words, it...

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Margie Chalofsky: Since we are told that you only

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, no youth is homeless on the day that they age out. That's not really knowing what happens.

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Margie Chalofsky: 6 months down the road. So that... so that was... we were recommending that

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Margie Chalofsky: that CFSA tracked that, I think, was...

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Margie Chalofsky: The most important part of the recommendation, not necessarily that we have it, because our project is very specific at this point to 18- to 21 year olds, and

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Margie Chalofsky: who are in care. So,

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Margie Chalofsky: Am I... am I accurate on that? Those of you in the youth aging... Theresa, do you agree that what we were really recommending was that... that CFSA be able to track those youth later on, not necessarily that we know what...

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Margie Chalofsky: Or is that the external unit?

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Theresa Gibson: Right, that's right.

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Roni Seabrook: But I want to just be very clear, the legislation

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Roni Seabrook: requires that we share data with you, with the Citizens Review Panel, and so, I mean, we'd certainly talk about it, but I don't think it's data.

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Roni Seabrook: We would be able to keep, if you needed it, if we wanted to share it, if it's something you wanted to report out on.

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Roni Seabrook: And so...

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Margie Chalofsky: could be in a next stage. I guess at this point of recommendation, it was really...

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Roni Seabrook: confidentiality agreement.

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Roni Seabrook: Legislation is really clear.

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Roni Seabrook: About the agency. Not just our agency, just the states across the country sharing information and data with the citizen review panels.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): And so Ronnie and, I believe maybe one of the next steps could be to share information about NID with the panel, and.

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Roni Seabrook: I did ask Andrea, I'm sorry to interrupt, Andrea to come and talk to them about NID, knowing that they do this project. She agreed to do that, so maybe we'll invite my colleague, who's been working on NID for years, just to come and kind of give an overview and some of the challenges she had, and you might have some recommendations that might help us to be able to secure information from these teens

who age out, because sometimes we're just kind of spinning our wheels and just trying many ways.

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Roni Seabrook: Just getting little information back as the youth get older.

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Roni Seabrook: I think it'd be great if the Youth Aging Out group could meet with her, and then anybody else from the panel who wanted to join could certainly join, but focus on.

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Margie Chalofsky: And that... I think that would be great.

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Roni Seabrook: So, just let me know.

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Theresa Gibson: Okay.

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Margie Chalofsky: Any more comments on this one? The next one is also related to older youth.

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elizabethmohler: Do you want me to just keep reading?

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Margie Chalofsky: shirt?

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elizabethmohler: Okay. Oh, let's see...

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elizabethmohler: Okay, so to our knowledge, although CFSA may offer older youth many resources, none are required, and all are voluntary.

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elizabethmohler: Although we understand wanting to build youth autonomy and empowerment, as most parents know, older youth often don't know yet what they will need in their future, so parents need to place some requirements.

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elizabethmohler: As CFSA holds the parental authority regarding what is required of youth.

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elizabethmohler: And what cannot be required, we recommend that there be ongoing decision-making on this issue that balances the interest in giving youth choice with preparing them for the future.

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elizabethmohler: And CFSA's response recommendation under consideration. CFSA will work with the Citizen Review Panel's Youth Aging Out Work Group in consultation with the Office of the General Counsel.

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elizabethmohler: To determine the most appropriate legal approach to addressing lack of youth engagement.

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elizabethmohler: The youth's voice and choice must remain at the forefront when planning their transition from care.

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Margie Chalofsky: Comments, anybody?

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Margie Chalofsky: Especially anybody on youth aging out.

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Margie Chalofsky: I have a comment, but I want to take a backseat if other people have...

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Margie Chalofsky: Anything they would like to say?

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, then I'll talk. I think there's the tension between the youth choice and... and no... and... And...

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Margie Chalofsky: Preparing youth is one that has been, you know, we've been hearing about for years and years, like, from... especially from the foster parents of older youth who,

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Margie Chalofsky: kids return back saying, how come I was never made to go to therapy? How come I was never made to take my medicine? How come, you know, and...

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Margie Chalofsky: Yet, definitely understand the... fact that...

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Margie Chalofsky: These are not young children, that they are teenagers, but...

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Margie Chalofsky: most of us who are parents of children who are not in care know that there are certain things that we require. So, the answer,

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Margie Chalofsky: I don't get much out of the answer. I mean, I guess I get maybe, if CFSA is saying that

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Margie Chalofsky: We can have further conversations about that.

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Margie Chalofsky: I don't really know that it's necessarily just the CRP that has, you know, concern. I mean, as I said, I've heard this from foster parents over the years,

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Margie Chalofsky: That the youth often age out unprepared.

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Margie Chalofsky: and... I don't really have an answer for that.

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Margie Chalofsky: But our survey is going to be figuring out, you know, whether youth really know what

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Margie Chalofsky: what resources are available, and we... another... we are not going to the next step at this point as to,

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Margie Chalofsky: looking at why they're not participating if they're not, but I think this conversation about the fact that youth don't participate in a lot of things is... it's very... it's sort of like an elephant in the room when you're talking about services for the elder youth. So I just wondered if anybody...

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Margie Chalofsky: Else had any comments about that, or what it means to,

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Margie Chalofsky: CFSA will work with... who would that be? Would that also be Anne? Would that be OYE? Or... how would that happen?

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Theresa Gibson: So, I feel like if that issue really wants to be resolved, it needs to be with

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Theresa Gibson: a multitude of people, in different areas. CRP, CFSA, foster parents.

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Theresa Gibson: As well as those organizations that work with youth aging out.

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Theresa Gibson: You know, maybe it's having a roundtable or something.

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Theresa Gibson: Of all these people.

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Theresa Gibson: To come up with a solution, because if you're saying, if they're not prepared when they age out.

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Theresa Gibson: But why? I...

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Theresa Gibson: Is it because before they age out, they're not required to attend these things? Because you said they're not required to do anything after they age out.

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Theresa Gibson: But while they're in, are they required?

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elizabethmohler: -

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Theresa Gibson: They're not.

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Margie Chalofsky: No, nothing's required.

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Margie Chalofsky: I know... Those of those foster parents on this panel who have had older youth,

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Margie Chalofsky: can probably speak to that better than I can, but, it...

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Margie Chalofsky: I don't know that there's a simple answer, because on one hand.

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Margie Chalofsky: acknowledging the youth, as the recommendation said, the youth's voice and choice, and also acknowledging that it is a youth's right to be parented, and what does that also mean?

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Margie Chalofsky: Because I know the foster parent doesn't necessarily have the right to mandate things, and so does the agency. So, yeah, I don't really know where to go. I mean, what to go... where to go with this, necessarily. I do think, Teresa, you're right, that

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Margie Chalofsky: that if CFSA wanted to really address this, they would really need to pull together a lot of voices. Youth, foster parents, agencies, you know, a lot of different groups to sort of

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Margie Chalofsky: Try to deal with it.

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Wanda Thompson: It also sounds like some legal, assistance would be helpful in that group, and all as well, too, to understand.

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Wanda Thompson: Just what can be done, and also what can be legislated.

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Wanda Thompson: As well, too.

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Margie Chalofsky: And whether it's a legislation, or whether it's... I mean, it's just...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I mean, you know, it...

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Margie Chalofsky: again, I... I... this may be outside the context of this meeting here,

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Margie Chalofsky: I just know that being in the situation of representing foster parents for so many years, and knowing that even the allowance couldn't be tied to... necessarily to chores, or tied to going to classes, or tied to...

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Margie Chalofsky: it's hard to figure out, because then you have youth coming back and saying, I was not prepared, and now I want to live on your couch, and I don't know how to do anything.

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Margie Chalofsky: So I don't think it's an easy thing. Maybe...

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm wondering if the Youth Aging Out group, Teresa, if you would... if maybe, as we're moving forward with the survey, if we are finding that there is a number of youth who are not taking part in things, if we could maybe...

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Margie Chalofsky: just make a recommenda... another recommendation, or maybe when we write our next report back to CFSA as to how they might

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Margie Chalofsky: Pull people together to deal with this.

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Margie Chalofsky: or, if we will consider it outside of our scope.

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm struggling with it a little bit here.

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Theresa Gibson: And I'm... I mean, there are opportunities between the time they... before they age out for youth to be in the room with people. Like, they go to OYE,

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Theresa Gibson: It's a white e-ay. And...

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Theresa Gibson: I'm just... I'm just wondering, my wondering is, is the time that's spent with them time well spent.

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Theresa Gibson: So, what I'm saying is... If you're... if there are times when

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Theresa Gibson: The young people are getting together. They're all coming to something.

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Theresa Gibson: For whatever reason, or they're there.

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Theresa Gibson: what's... is it... is it meat and potatoes? Like, steak given to them, or just bologna? You know, like, you see what I'm saying? Like...

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Theresa Gibson: I guess what I'm saying is, the opportunity you have to catch them, it's like when you... you can't put a lot of information to their head at one time, but you can try to make each opportunity that you have with them more productive.

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Theresa Gibson: You see what I'm saying?

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Margie Chalofsky: So maybe we need to take this back to... you know, as I said, this is a pro... this was a report that was before we even had necessarily focused on which part we were going to do. So maybe we can take this back to committee, and as we're working through our first stage, we can

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Margie Chalofsky: come back with a recommendation to CFSA as to... and maybe we can help host some sort of a roundtable around this topic. I don't think that would be off-scope.

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Margie Chalofsky: If everybody's okay with that, we could... we could move on. I don't know...

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Margie Chalofsky: My foster parents are being very... on this committee are being very quiet, so...

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Andy Miller: I have a question really quick,

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Andy Miller: And I guess... I don't know if anybody from CFSA could answer this or not, but, like, is there a jurisdiction, like, in this country, or particularly urban jurisdiction, that does aging out?

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Andy Miller: well. Like, aging out is complicated, right? It's... it's... either way, it's... it's not ideal at all. It's not, like, set up to be, like, a...

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Andy Miller: A, a, you know.

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Andy Miller: first option or whatever for... for exiting the system. But, like, is there a jurisdiction that has best practices that do it well? And, like, what, you know, is CFSA looking into best practices for... for aging out?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So I think one document that could help us, for this is the CFSR.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): There are federal metrics that allow us to assess, you know, how well we are doing for youth aging out.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): And so maybe what I can do is gather the data from CFSR, from the last round of CFSR, and let you know which jurisdiction is doing, you know, well in that area. I don't have the data right now, but I will gather it for you.

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Margie Chalofsky: Thank you. We do plan in the Youth Aging Out group to look at some national best practices, so that would help us a lot.

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Margie Chalofsky: Thank you. And then we could, because we did want to compare what CFSA... one of the things was to compare what CFSA...

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Margie Chalofsky: is doing with national best practices on... specifically on housing, because that's what we were taking on that time. So that would be helpful.

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Roni Seabrook: Can you quickly tell them what the CFSR is?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Yes, absolutely. It is a federal document, that, basically, it's a federal review of our performance as a jurisdiction, and there are many areas that are assessed.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): When there are areas where a jurisdiction is not doing well, the

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): the federal government asks us to produce a PIP, so a Program Improvement Plan, in order to demonstrate that we are making efforts in order to achieve better performances in the future. So CFSR is the Child and Family Services Review.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Does that ever get published as, like.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Like, community... for community consumption.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): It is, it is published online. You can, actually go to our website in order to see, what our performance has been over the past 20 years. I'm going to put the link in the chat.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Perfect, thank you.

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Roni Seabrook: And you could look for other jurisdictions as well, because it's required across all the states.

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Margie Chalofsky: Great, thank you.

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elizabethmohler: So, we probably should keep moving in the interest of time.

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elizabethmohler: And maybe we'll just go... there's 3 additional recommendations with responses, so,

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elizabethmohler: Next recommendation, youth aging out of care.

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elizabethmohler: Require a full district effort.

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elizabethmohler: We recommend that CFSA lead a process to ensure that all other district agencies DBH, DCHA, DHS, etc.

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elizabethmohler: Share responsibility for our vulnerable youth as they face adulthood on their own, and work together to ensure positive outcomes on housing, vocational opportunities, etc.

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elizabethmohler: And CFSA responded, CFSA agrees with the concept of this recommendation and recommends this be elevated by the CRP to the Deputy Mayor of Health and Human Services.

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elizabethmohler: As CFSA remains an agency that is part of the system, That supports the district's residents.

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Margie Chalofsky: Well, we can certainly elevate it, but I think we were recommending that CFSA also,

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Margie Chalofsky: Pull in outside agent... the other agencies to... to...

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Margie Chalofsky: to support youth, that it... that it... once they leave CFSA's care, that it falls on the other agencies. So this response sounds like CFSA itself doesn't,

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Margie Chalofsky: See it as its role to bring the other agencies involved?

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So, what I will say is we have strong partnerships with those other agencies. We engage them, you know, on a very frequent basis.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I realize that this is not the answer that we provided, but I can assure you that we have those partnerships, and if you think that we should engage our sister agencies on this topic.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): fairly confident that this is something that could be accomplished in the future. I'll make sure to elevate your concern internally, and we will have to circle back with you on this.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, thank you, and again, Elizabeth,

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Margie Chalofsky: I hear what you're saying about, the time, so I would say that let's... let's deal with the next one, and the last one we can hold, because

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Margie Chalofsky: I... that's more of a systemic stuff between CRP and Moda, and I'm not sure that...

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Margie Chalofsky: this is the... necessarily the right form for that. So.

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elizabethmohler: Okay.

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Margie Chalofsky: So let's just go to the next one, which is more related to prevention.

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elizabethmohler: Yes. So, we recommend that CFSA track recidivism on cases that were not opened as investigations.

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elizabethmohler: I.e, if a family has received multiple reports, but none rise to the level of CPS involvement.

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elizabethmohler: We recommend tracking data on whether the resources being offered

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elizabethmohler: Actually decrease future foster care involvement.

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elizabethmohler: And, the response, recommendation already in place

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elizabethmohler: With the implementation of the district-wide 211 warm line.

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elizabethmohler: Data related to resources and support will be made.

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elizabethmohler: district-wide.

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elizabethmohler: I guess I'm not clear if... the...

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elizabethmohler: The response related to the warm line connects with the recommendation that CFSA tracks recidivism.

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elizabethmohler: So, what we're interested in is, you know, A family may...

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elizabethmohler: There may be a report on a family,

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elizabethmohler: services are offered, but then what is... is there a way of tracking whether those, you know, has that been useful to the family? Do we continue to see,

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00:45:33.820 --> 00:45:36.049

elizabethmohler: Reports on the family.

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elizabethmohler: I'm kind of trying to... and it doesn't seem like the warm line would really be...

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elizabethmohler: Doing that tracking.

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Margie Chalofsky: I didn't see the recommendation as really answering the...

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elizabethmohler: Oh.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So, so I can definitely speak to that.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Some referrals that are made to CFSA are eventually redirected to the 211 warm line, because there is not a need for investigation.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): In those instances, we will know what services the family received.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): And we will be able to track whether that family came back to the attention of CFSA. So we do have that information internally. Now, I don't think the recommendation was to share that information, so... so I can definitely assure you that we are tracking that data internally.

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Margie Chalofsky: So you're tracking the data of the...

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Margie Chalofsky: and this will relate to the... so I think this really overlaps with what the prevention work group is going to be looking at, which is the screening-out process and what happens to those families.

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Margie Chalofsky: But what I think the recommendation was,

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Margie Chalofsky: the way it doesn't relate is that the warm line is, again, a voluntary service, right? So, it's not CFSA tracking data on

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, 7 calls have come in on Family X, and what has happened to... how does that relate to services that were offered to family... that Family X actually took? So I think that there's...

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Margie Chalofsky: From the perspective of what we've been discussing in our work group, the warm line is only a piece of...

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Margie Chalofsky: Of what addresses this... this place in the continuum.

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Margie Chalofsky: Help me out here, people on the prevention group.

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Margie Chalofsky: Anybody?

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Emily Bloomfield: I think the...

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Whitney's iPhone : I'm sorry, I was just gonna say, Margie, I think you got that just about right.

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Whitney's iPhone : in terms of, at least from my perspective, I'm seeing it the same way as well.

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Margie Chalofsky: Thanks, Whitney. Emily, you were gonna say something?

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Emily Bloomfield: Yeah, I think the root question had to do with, for...

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Emily Bloomfield: Entities or organizations like schools that may call several times about a family.

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Emily Bloomfield: And they don't see anything happen. How... how do they understand

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Emily Bloomfield: What the process is, so that's one thing, but then also for families who come in

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Emily Bloomfield: Where there's not, like, anything mandated, but they're...

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Emily Bloomfield: Sort of at that level of being recommended

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Emily Bloomfield: supports and services, how do we know what was accessed or not, and whether they eventually then

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Emily Bloomfield: Had some kind of, mandated involvement in CFSA.

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Margie Chalofsky: The second part, I think, is... was really what this recommendation meant. The first part of what you said is what the work group is gonna... is... will... will look into, those screened-out calls, but exactly what you said in the second half.

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Margie Chalofsky: Which is, how does CFSA know what...

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Margie Chalofsky: how does CFSA know whether people are actually taking advantage of of... Prevention opportunities and,

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Margie Chalofsky: Again, at this point, it was just...

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Margie Chalofsky: This is a preliminary recommendation without having... without having yet done our study.

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Emily Bloomfield: Right. And it's not always...

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Emily Bloomfield: I was just gonna say, it's not just whether they took advantage of it, but whether it was possible to access it. So, say, with mental health services, where there's a shortage of supply, it can be strongly urged or whatever, but if a family

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Emily Bloomfield: Can't get access.

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Emily Bloomfield: Is anybody noticing, how is it being tracked, what's being...

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): So, so I can definitely... sorry.

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Wanda Thompson: I was just gonna say, in some ways, it's almost analogous to the... what we were talking about before with the youth aging out. I mean, if a case has not been opened.

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Wanda Thompson: Then it almost seems like tracking it is almost a level of opening.

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Wanda Thompson: Okay, so how does one then justify Tracking, if, in fact.

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Wanda Thompson: it's not opened. So, it would be up to the family to determine whether or not they're going to accept the resources or whatever. Where it's analogous is, like, in the young person who comes back and says nobody ever

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Wanda Thompson: told me that, and the family could say the same thing, but if you essentially closed the case, or not opened it, rather, then it seems like you can't really track. But when it starts to be recidivism, like, for example, if one of the

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Wanda Thompson: One of the questions, have you ever been, you know, investigated before, or something like that, might be a trigger.

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Wanda Thompson: And... and so if there's a way to... to,

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Wanda Thompson: elevate it, if, in terms of the question being asked, if you've ever been in the system, if you've ever been contacted before, in reference to your child, then it seems like that might elevate it to another level. So, so how to...

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Wanda Thompson: How to, have some effect

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Wanda Thompson: if there's recidivism, because if it's not recidivism, I don't see how the family is obligated

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Wanda Thompson: to give up any information on how CFSA can really justify Tracking.

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Wanda Thompson: If they haven't opened the case.

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Wanda Thompson: That's just me.

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00:51:49.600 --> 00:51:52.980
DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): No, no, no, no, it's... you are definitely right about this.

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00:51:53.060 --> 00:52:12.940
DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): And so what I can say is we try to engage families who are receiving referrals from us, even though the investigation hasn't started. It is very difficult to get that information from them, unfortunately, and for legitimate reasons, right? They do not want the government to be involved in their lives, and we have to respect that decision.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But we are still doing our best to track that data.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I know exactly which databases we are using in order to track that data. In some cases, we are using, you know, QuickBase. In other cases, we are using FindHelp in order to really understand whether the family engaged in services or not, but I will recognize that the quality of that data is not at the level where we would like it to be.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Simply because it's very difficult to get, you know, to get that information from the providers and from families. So we can assess whether a referral was recommended, we can assess whether a referral was made, and whether it had any kind of impact on recidivism.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): But if the goal is to assess whether the family participated in services.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): That's very, very difficult. Honestly, we've tried to do this for the past 5 years, and it's been a challenge. Even, you know, we have tried to engage

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00:53:13.470 --> 00:53:24.629

DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): All of our partners in order to, to use the same system, to better track, you know, participation in services, and those efforts have not been successful so far.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, I think in the... and because of time, we should...

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Margie Chalofsky: We'll go back to the prevention group and clarify this question, and after we do our study, you know, we'll have

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Margie Chalofsky: we'll be clear on what we're looking at, and, you know, again, as I said, this was preliminary, and the first time that we're really delving into these

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Margie Chalofsky: into this process. So, looking at the fact that we have gone over the time, I think...

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, we'll pull the notes together and, do some work between CFSA and the individual work groups on some of these topics, unless anybody has anything they wanted to add.

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Margie Chalofsky: Or we can let CFSA go, and we can get to the rest of our meeting.

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Margie Chalofsky: Does anybody else have anything they wanted to add at this point?

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Margie Chalofsky: Thank you, Christian, and Ronnie, you...

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elizabethmohler: Thank you very much.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, but thank you.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Thank you so much.

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Margie Chalofsky: Christian, you're welcome to stay for the rest of our meeting, but I don't think you want to, but you can.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): Thank you. Unfortunately, my son is right here, so I'm gonna have...

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elizabethmohler: too.

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DC - Christian Gineste (he/his): I'm gonna have to go, but thank you so much, it was a pleasure to meet you, and I'm gonna try to get all the data that you requested.

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00:54:45.750 --> 00:54:48.229
Roni Seabrook: Thank you so much. Thank you, Samara.

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00:54:52.200 --> 00:54:54.980
elizabethmohler: Okay, hmm...

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00:54:55.830 --> 00:54:57.260
Margie Chalofsky: Back to you.

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elizabethmohler: Yeah, I'm looking for the agenda. What did I do with it?

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Margie Chalofsky: The report is next.

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elizabethmohler: Okay.

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elizabethmohler: The fiscal report, Andy.

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Andy Miller: Alright.

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Andy Miller: So I believe the financial report is accessible on the

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Andy Miller: portal. But I'm gonna go ahead and read the financial report, For this past...

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Andy Miller: Period. So this is for, June, July, and sorry, July, August, September. So we received our first of two payments in the amount of \$37,192.65 on February 5th, 2025.

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Andy Miller: The second and final payment for this fiscal year will be in the amount of \$12,807.35, which we will more likely, which we will more likely receive sometime in December 2025.

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Andy Miller: For the month of July 2025, a total of \$3,942.26 was spent, that being salaries, which is \$3,749.99. Supplies, \$10 for extra Zoom extra cloud storage space, storage of meeting recordings, which is \$164.70, and then annual Zoom renewal, which is a total of

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Andy Miller: \$174.70. Website maintenance, for Homestead was \$17.57.

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Andy Miller: Which leaves the total of \$3,942.26.

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Andy Miller: Our remaining balance is \$46,052.60, and this amount includes our future second drop of \$12,807.35. So that was July.

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Andy Miller: For the month of August, a total of \$4,179.41 was spent.

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Andy Miller: Again, salaries... part of that is consisted of salaries. It's \$3,749.99. Supplies, \$10.30. Website maintenance.

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Andy Miller: Homestead of \$17.57. Meeting and retreat costs, \$41.25... \$41.25, which is a reimbursement for one of our members' travel.

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Andy Miller: Other working group activities, \$360.30, and this amount was used for one of our team-building events, where the gift card failed to go through. We will assign a gift card in the amount of \$360.30 to this category for any future purchases, which is a total spent so far of \$8,121.67.

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Andy Miller: Our remaining balance is \$41,878.33, and this includes our future second drop of \$12,807.35, and that concludes our fiscal report.

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Margie Chalofsky: Thank you.

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elizabethmohler: Thank you, Andy. Any questions about the fiscal report?

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elizabethmohler: Okay, well, moving on, next on the agenda, Our work group announcements?

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elizabethmohler: So, maybe starting with the family time work group, are there... Any announcements?

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elizabethmohler: Workgroup would like to make to the rest of the CRP members, any updates?

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Margie Chalofsky: And just to clarify, you know, I thought this was a time if any of the groups needed help from anybody, you know, they wanted.

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elizabethmohler: Mmm.

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Margie Chalofsky: Like... Required, like, you don't have to give an update if you don't...

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Margie Chalofsky: have any, you know, but I knew that, like, youth aging out had some things they needed, so...

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Margie Chalofsky: That's what that's about, so if you don't... Have an announcement that's okay.

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Wanda Thompson: I don't think so.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): Well, maybe we could just share, Wanda, that we are doing the stand training, so I think it's going to be a smaller group, right? Margie was, great about scheduling that.

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): And so...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): I don't know how much time they'll have, but if someone has questions about something that you all are tracking in another work group that we could maybe at least ask about, we'd be happy to bring that to the team, to the...

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Dr. Tyra Moore (she/her): CFSA team to see if we could get some feedback, if that would be helpful for any information you may want for your work group.

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Margie Chalofsky: Great idea, thank you.

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Margie Chalofsky: That's on Friday, so Bruce would have to get that to you pretty fast.

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elizabethmohler: Oh, okay. What is stand again? Is it replacing faces?

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Margie Chalofsky: Yes.

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elizabethmohler: How about, announcements or requests from the Youth Aging Out Work Group?

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Theresa Gibson: Okay, we recently met with Miss, rally, right?

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Theresa Gibson: Raleigh from CFSA was very, very helpful. Out of that, we present... she has our survey, we let her know that we're trying to

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Theresa Gibson: get the survey completed from the foster parents, as well as the youth ages 18 to 21. Came up with some ideas of getting that done.

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Theresa Gibson: I, I, I just recently, and Mar- and, Margie...

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Theresa Gibson: a letter that we... they were writing to the foster care parents, and attaching the link for the survey to that letter, and CFSA... well, at least Ms. Roddick said she would help get that out to the foster parents.

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Theresa Gibson: And we talked about some couple of... I think there's an event coming up in October, talked about going to, to get some foster,

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Theresa Gibson: some of the kids, youth aging out, 18 to 21 year olds. Now, where we might need help is when we find about these events.

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Theresa Gibson: I guess kind of, like, reaching out to see who can attend, these events, to get these surveys done.

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Theresa Gibson: We are going to be providing, gift cards to everyone who... well, to all the youth who...

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Theresa Gibson: who, who actually does the survey?

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Margie Chalofsky: And... is there anything else anybody else want to add?

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Andy Miller: I think you might have mentioned this, but yeah, Ms. Riley provided a list of group homes for us to reach out to, and that'll probably be our quickest, most efficient success. Or...

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Andy Miller: successful project, with us going to the group home and simply having the QR code on display, youth taking it on site, they show us confirmation that they took it without, you know, showing any names or anything, and we just give them the gift card right then and there.

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Margie Chalofsky: Yeah, we did talk about... because this... the group, I'm so...

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Margie Chalofsky: impressed and proud of this group and how far it has come. And the surveys are ready to go, and we were struggling with, are we gonna, you know, do it electronically, are we gonna do it in person, and how are we going to do it, and how are we going to keep the confidentiality? And I think the group pretty much landed on trying to do them.

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Margie Chalofsky: In person, but electronically. So, they would all be put into the data system, but... but they would be given in person as much as possible, so that we could then give the gift card right there, as opposed to, as... as Anne Riley said, if we did it electronically.

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Margie Chalofsky: that adds a whole other step in terms of, then the youth would be sitting on the backs of the social workers, wanting to know where they're, you know... anyway, so that's

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Margie Chalofsky: What the group could really use is volunteers

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Margie Chalofsky: who may not be on the Youth Aging Out group, but who are interested in perhaps going to a group home and being able and administering the survey, with clear instructions from Youth Aging Out, or going... partnering with somebody from the committee and going out, because there probably will be a number of sites, so...

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Margie Chalofsky: Extra hands would be really helpful.

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Margie Chalofsky: So if anybody thinks that they might be interested in that, if they could let Teresa or me know, that would be great. You don't have to do it right now, but...

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Margie Chalofsky: If you think that you'd be interested in taking a group home and going along,

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Margie Chalofsky: Probably best to go in twos anyway, so maybe going along with a member of the committee, it would be really helpful.

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Margie Chalofsky: Anything else, Teresa, or anybody else on the committee?

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Theresa Gibson: Nope, that's it. You guys wrapped it up.

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Theresa Gibson: That's it. Thank you.

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, back to you, Elizabeth.

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elizabethmohler: And then, last but not least, the, prevention plan, I was... or the prevention...

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elizabethmohler: work group, I should say,

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elizabethmohler: we feel like we're finally making some headway, which is exciting, and I really want to...

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elizabethmohler: Shout out Amanda.

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elizabethmohler: and Patrick, who've been able to join the most recent, Meetings that we've had, and...

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elizabethmohler: Big kudos to Amanda that was able to kind of pull our discussion together into a draft project plan.

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elizabethmohler: And I had just asked Amanda, maybe if you could just share, kind of, the project overview and purpose and research questions?

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elizabethmohler: So folks have an idea of What we're thinking.

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Amanda: Yeah, thank you, Elizabeth. So, as you all know, we've been exploring a project focus related to those screened-out hotline calls, given the volume, and

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Amanda: Particularly the prevention opportunities that this area represents. So our purpose was to examine CFSA's screened-out policies and practices, but at the same time capture some of the perspectives of the mandated reporters, of those that are making those phone calls.

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Amanda: So our hope...

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Amanda: is kind of a dual approach. The policy review and that stakeholder input. We just really feel like it'll provide some insight into both

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Amanda: system-level decision-making and the experiences of those interacting directly with the hotline. Some of the, obviously key elements of our

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Amanda: draft plan, and I say draft in all capital letters, is that policy review, that we will look at their policies and any related administrative issuances that come out

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Amanda: with the... at the same time, doing some surveys of mandated reporters. So we're currently developing a, brief mixed-method survey, to capture some of the mandated reporters

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Amanda: Perceptions, their confidence level in reporting, and even their frustrations with some optional interviews.

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Amanda: to,

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Amanda: just really deepen the understanding. And this is going to also include some data requests. We're anticipating requesting some of the aggregated information that, Christian mentioned earlier on screened-out calls, and the clarity on how,

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Amanda: new tools, like...

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Amanda: stand, and understand how they function in this practice. So, lots of work to do, but super, super excited.

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elizabethmohler: Thank you, Amanda.

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elizabethmohler: Okay, Margie, I was...

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm gonna add one thing to that.

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elizabethmohler: Yes.

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Margie Chalofsky: Amanda, you have really added a tremendous amount to the group, and I want to thank you for that. The other thing that has made the group move forward more is the fact that we met with the ombudsperson.

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Margie Chalofsky: Because they are also looking at the screened-in calls, but they were not looking at the mandated reporters themselves, so that was the piece that we felt we could do that would also correlate with the work that the Ambuds Office is doing, and could be helpful to their report, so that it felt like we were not just

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Margie Chalofsky: Sort of out there on our own.

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Margie Chalofsky: So I think that gave us motivation and a focus, and so we were able to take some of the things that people like Emily, who had been involved for a long time and had been really focused on some of that, the mandated report of the schools and Megan with the hospitals, we were able to take that and then actually channel it into something that looked like we could do it. So I think every group is trying to, you know, move

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Margie Chalofsky: from these big general ideas into something, as Teresa says, the sandwich that you can hold and chew at the same time, because.

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Margie Chalofsky: capacity is capacity, and... and so I think that this is... this group is finally moving in that direction, so being able to actually get, you know, something that we can do, so I wanted to add that. And just... I wanted to just applaud everybody working on all the groups, because I think there's been a lot of...

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Margie Chalofsky: Work this summer, that has moved things forward.

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Margie Chalofsky: Despite the fact that everybody is dealing with so many other things in their life, and in the world, and in the district. So, thank you.

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elizabethmohler: My turn, facilitate a report. Your turn, Margie.

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Margie Chalofsky: Back on schedule, look at this.

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Margie Chalofsky: Well, my first thing was overview of progress, so I... I feel like, though we have, you know, we didn't have a formal meeting in July, we had our

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Margie Chalofsky: our social gatherings, and I thought they were really successful. Most people were able to come to at least one.

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Margie Chalofsky: I do have to say that the one that we did at the Navy Yard, we had this wonderful conversation and then walked out to the first night of the federal presence, which was quite a little bit jarring, coming out of our wonderful dinner.

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Margie Chalofsky: But I really felt good about people coming together and, would like to, you know, keep on having these occasionally, especially for people who aren't able to come or meet each other, because I think it's a really good team-building opportunity.

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Margie Chalofsky: Membership updates. Elizabeth is now our Vice Chair, as we said before, and as we also said before, apparently that was decided sometime in the summer, and...

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Margie Chalofsky: they neglected to tell us. So, but we're very excited that it's happened now. We do have still a few openings. When we, had the... we had 5 new people on the mayor's side, but, 2 did not work out, so we have...

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Margie Chalofsky: Those two openings, and we have...

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Margie Chalofsky: one opening that we had held for a birth parent with lived experience, and so I've taken on the task of reaching out to some of the organizations that work with birth families to see if we can

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Margie Chalofsky: Get some recommendations, and then move those forward, through, through that open spot.

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Margie Chalofsky: I decided I'm gonna name Emily our membership coordinator, because... recruiter, because,

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Margie Chalofsky: She has been sending people, and, one... one person that she recommended has applied, and...

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Margie Chalofsky: we're gonna meet later to talk about somebody else, so if anybody has any ideas of people that you think might be interested, please talk to me, and I'm happy to meet with them, and...

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Margie Chalofsky: Give them information and work them through the application process.

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Margie Chalofsky: I am going to be continuing to try to meet with Moda about the cumbersome process. So I... I've been reaching out, and I'm not gonna let it go.

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Margie Chalofsky: So, that's something. And the other important thing is the National Conference, which some of you are going to want to go to this year because it is in San Diego at a resort hotel on 44-acre Island in San Diego's Mission Bay, June 1 to 3rd.

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Margie Chalofsky: Surrounded by water. If nobody wants to go, I'm going. So, think about the fact whether you would like to be CRP's,

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Margie Chalofsky: membership representative, and, Elizabeth did it last time. There was none last year, but the one before. I think you found it a pretty good experience, and it probably wasn't even as pretty a place as this one sounds like it's going to be, so...

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Margie Chalofsky: Anybody who might be interested, please, let me know, and, and,

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Margie Chalofsky: We can talk about that. We definitely have room for...

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Margie Chalofsky: finances to send one person fully. If two people are interested, we could try to move something from another budget item. So, if you're interested, please do let us know.

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Margie Chalofsky: And, that is my report, unless anybody has any questions.

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Wanda Thompson: Minutes? The minutes from May.

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm so sorry.

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Margie Chalofsky: The minutes, yes. Did anybody actually get a chance to look them over?

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Wanda Thompson: Yeah.

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Margie Chalofsky: Because if not, we can... we can do that by email. That was my... I take full responsibility, thought that it had gone... I thought I sent them out and had not.

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Margie Chalofsky: Wanda, you're often the only one who looks... who has... have you had a chance, or would you rather do it by email later on?

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Wanda Thompson: I mean, we could do it by email. I was just gonna move at some point that we accept them.

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Wanda Thompson: As is, but, it...

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Margie Chalofsky: If you love it.

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Wanda Thompson: If you haven't read it, we can do it by email.

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elizabethmohler: I move that we accept the minutes.

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elizabethmohler: As they stand, does anyone second that?

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Wanda Thompson: I second.

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elizabethmohler: Okay, all in... all in favor? Raise your hand.

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elizabethmohler: Anyone opposed to...

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elizabethmohler: Okay.

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Margie Chalofsky: I think we have some recordings, so they're usually pretty accurate, other than a couple of...

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Margie Chalofsky: grammar mistakes or whatever in there.

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elizabethmohler: Okay, great.

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elizabethmohler: Yeah, thanks.

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm gonna get my.

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elizabethmohler: So...

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Margie Chalofsky: You're not getting them out sooner.

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elizabethmohler: No worries, Margie.

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elizabethmohler: Are there any comments? I... we... we have 5 minutes for public comments, but any... any comments or feedback from...

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elizabethmohler: Panel members, or anything else that we haven't covered this evening?

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Margie Chalofsky: really have public any outside observers, since we don't count, former members as in that category, as Megan asked us. Okay. But, yeah, that's great that you opened it up to just any final comments from members.

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Margie Chalofsky: Any comments about the CFSA part? Disappointment?

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Margie Chalofsky: Okay, whatever, anything you want to say about anything?

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Theresa Gibson: As it regards to today's...

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Margie Chalofsky: As regards to anything?

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Theresa Gibson: Yeah.

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Margie Chalofsky: Oh, yeah.

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Theresa Gibson: I was disappointed that they really couldn't answer.

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Theresa Gibson: A lot of questions, especially the first group that went Prevention, right? That was prevention?

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elizabethmohler: family time.

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Theresa Gibson: Right, yeah.

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Theresa Gibson: We're disappointed that they...

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Amanda: I don't feel like they answered any of the questions.

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Theresa Gibson: They didn't really ask any questions.

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Amanda: My follow-up question is, being new, is this typical dynamic between our group and that...

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elizabethmohler: Yes.

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Theresa Gibson: It is. Yeah, I mean, it's either, it's either,

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Wanda Thompson: You all really want to have this discussion right now.

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Theresa Gibson: Right, it's either you do it, or you're looking into, you know, we could talk about it. It's either you do it...

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Wanda Thompson: We still have CFSA with us.

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Margie Chalofsky: Well, Ronnie's here, but she's... yeah, she's our liaison. Ronnie, are you still there?

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Roni Seabrook: Yeah, I'm good, I'm... I'm good, because Marjorie and I are going to talk after.

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elizabethmohler: Alright.

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Margie Chalofsky: Yeah, I mean.

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Amanda: Nice.

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elizabethmohler: I think this is a... something maybe we... to be continued to our next meeting, perhaps? I mean, it won't be...

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elizabethmohler: specifically related to these responses, but I...

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elizabethmohler: I do believe this is an ongoing concern, so...

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Margie Chalofsky: I think this is the first time, correct me if I'm wrong, those of you who've been on longer, that, they came to a general meeting to actually talk through the recommendations.

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Margie Chalofsky: And I, I think that...

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, it's Ronnie's chain of command, which is not necessarily the program staff, so that...

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Margie Chalofsky: But yes, maybe we should have a meeting where we just process that. I don't know... and Ronnie, you're welcome to... I mean, we have, like, 2 minutes, if you wanted to say anything. I don't know that...

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Margie Chalofsky: Christian was resistant, I think he just didn't have the information.

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Roni Seabrook: I think he just didn't have the information. We did expect

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Roni Seabrook: our Deputy Dr. Brooks, I don't know...

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Roni Seabrook: what happened with her. I know in the... we have not, in the past, discussed the recommendations. There's always been a written response that's required. We have discussed recommendations on some of the previous reports, and I thought those were really productive, because we had program staff in the room, and we had the director in the room. Do you remember, Margie, when Ann was there, and Robert was there, and...

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Roni Seabrook: I don't know if it was before your time, but...

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Margie Chalofsky: Or high time.

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Roni Seabrook: But I thought we were moving in another direction. You know, it's been my aim to ensure that

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Roni Seabrook: that there is a healthy relationship with a child welfare agency, and just so you all know, I work for CSA... CFSA, but I always stand on the side of what's right, so I take none of this personally. I mean, if you want me off the meeting, I can leave, but I'm... I'm good, and I'd rather hear, because my

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Roni Seabrook: role is to help and support, and to ensure that we're meeting our legislative requirements, you know, with the CRP. That's why you heard me, hey, say the legislation allows you guys to have data.

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Roni Seabrook: And we're not going to keep that from you. So I'm here, I'll be transparent as I can be,. I couldn't answer the questions, I don't work in programs, and so we absolutely needed program staff on board, and I think if you guys want to request another meeting where that happens, I think it's within your right to do so.

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elizabethmohler: Thank you, Ronnie, and we... we always...

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elizabethmohler: really appreciate your support. It's critical, so thank you.

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elizabethmohler: For that.

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elizabethmohler: With that, I think we're at 8.30, and we can adjourn if there's no other, nothing else.

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elizabethmohler: Our next meeting will be November 11th.

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Wanda Thompson: Holiday

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elizabethmohler: Dive on.

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elizabethmohler: on... oh, is that...

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Wanda Thompson: Veterans Day.

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Margie Chalofsky: It is.

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elizabethmohler: Oh, that's Veterans Day.

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Margie Chalofsky: So we'll... we'll...

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Margie Chalofsky: we'll set... we'll send... we'll talk about that by email if we want to change it. Okay. But also, I think, in terms of the CFSA recommendations, I... I think, Elizabeth lets you and I talk. Maybe what we could do is... is set up a meeting of anybody who wants to be part of it, just internally, and process what we want to...

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Margie Chalofsky: you know, how we want to move forward with that, to continue this conversation, so we don't have to... Sounds good.

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elizabethmohler: All right, thanks everyone very much. Enjoy the rest of your evening. Stay safe.

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elizabethmohler: Be well.

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Margie Chalofsky: Thank you, everyone.

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Wanda Thompson: Bye.

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Patrick Foley, DCFYI Open Table Program Coordinator: Sure.

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Wanda Thompson: Take care, everybody.

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Margie Chalofsky: I'm like.