



**Implementation of the
2017 – 2022 Cabinet Interagency Agreement**

Highlights

Purpose: To coordinate services and support for children in Florida, and to collaborate on developing necessary local and statewide resources for children being served by multiple agencies to advance the statutory charge of the Cabinet.

Principles: F. Interagency coordination should occur as early as possible and as often as necessary, to include prevention/early intervention services for children at risk of being served by one or more agencies. These children should be discussed as part of the Local Review Team and Regional Review Team meetings.

Roles and Responsibilities: The Department of Children and Families currently serves as the lead agency and convenes monthly meetings at the local, regional and state levels, submits monthly reports and summarizes information to be presented at each Children and Youth Cabinet meeting, as determined by the Chair of the Cabinet.

Timeline of Implementation:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
October 2012	Original Interagency Agreement signed and in effect through June 2017.
December 2017	Updated Interagency Agreement (Agreement) signed and in effect through June 2022.
January 2018	Information about the Agreement communicated via statewide conference calls and within Cabinet agencies throughout the month and into February. Posted the Agreement on the Center for Child Welfare’s website at http://centerforchildwelfare.fmhi.usf.edu/DCFAgreement.shtml
February 2018	Reviewed the data collection process for the Agreement and developed a training webinar on the Agreement that was shared regionally with participating state agencies, their contractors and providers.
March 2018	Members of the State Review Team presented information on the Agreement to the DCF-FCC Strategic Initiative 5 Team focusing on Cross-System Collaboration. The State Review Team conducted six (6) Regional Webinars on the Agreement to focus on.
April 2018	Chair Wansley Walters with the Florida Children and Youth Cabinet (CYC), Director Zackary Gibson with the Governor’s Office, Director Nickie Zenn with the SEDNET Administration Project, and Executive Director Lindsey Zander with the Florida CYC presented the Agreement at Florida School Superintendent Mental Health Summit. Emphasis was placed on how the Agreement can assist School Districts when their interventions are unsuccessful in addressing student’s needs, or if the student’s needs are beyond what the school can provide. A copy of Local Review Team and SEDNET Project Manager contacts in each judicial circuit was provided.



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May 2018	The <i>Process Framework</i> infograph for the Agreement was redesigned to provide a clearer perspective on how cases/student needs can be escalated to Local, Regional or State Review Teams.
June 2018	<p>The data collection process for the Agreement was reviewed and reorganized.</p> <p>Director Nickie Zenn presented the Agreement and <i>Process Framework</i> infograph at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission meeting in Sunrise, FL.</p> <p>Encouraged DCF Community Development Administrators to consider sharing information on the Agreement and the <i>Process Framework</i> infograph during public meetings on Executive Order 18-81 (Enhance collaboration between law enforcement and behavioral health).</p> <p>Conducted a training webinar on the data collection process for the Agreement.</p>
Ongoing	Continue to provide technical assistance and support to circuit and regional leadership from each Cabinet agency on the Agreement.

Opportunities:

- Consider how data collected from Local and Regional Review Teams can be shared with quarterly Executive Order meetings to identify gaps, trends and recommendations.
- Identify how data from Local, Regional and State Review Teams can inform other required legislative reports.
- Collaborate with the Office of Early Learning and Early Learning Coalitions to develop relationships and streamline processes that will provide assistance in meeting the needs of young children.
- Work with the Policy Impact Committee to inform future priorities and recommendations from the Cabinet.