AB 2035
Healthy Futures for Foster Youth

February 24, 2020
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Information to Participate

Call-in information:
Phone Number: (415) 655-0052
Access Code: 216-041-801

To submit live questions, click on the “questions” panel, type your question, and click “send.”

Presentation materials and audio will be sent to all registrants and posted at www.jbay.org under “Training Archive.”
Agenda

Introduction and Welcome
Disproportionate Health Outcomes for Youth in Care
State and Local Needs
Legislative Proposal – AB 2035
How to Get Involved
Question & Answer Session
Panelists

Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio, AD 48
Anna Johnson, Senior Project Manager, John Burton Advocates for Youth
Christina Maricic, Youth Advisory Board Member, LA RHEP
Cherie Schroeder, Foster & Kinship Care Education
Darrian Palmer Greggs, Youth Advocate, John Burton Advocates for Youth
Luciana Svidler, Policy Associate, Children’s Law Center
Rebecca Gudeman, Senior Director, Health, National Center for Youth Law
Disproportionate Health Outcomes for California’s Foster Youth
Parenting Youth in Child Welfare & Probation
2015-2019

October Point-in-Time Count of Parents in Care, Age 10-20

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<th>Total in Care</th>
<th>Out of Home Placement</th>
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<td>1,135</td>
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Pregnancy Rates:
Counter to the National and State Trend

% of Females who Report Ever Having Been Pregnant

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<th>CA Foster Care</th>
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Teen birth rate in CA down 80% since 1991 for general population
Pregnancy: Unintended and Intended

ASKED WHETHER MOST RECENT PREGNANCY WAS WANTED

- Definitely no: 34%
- Probably no: 4%
- Neither wanted nor didn't want: 29%
- Probably yes: 8%
- Definitely yes: 26%

- Definitely no: 16%
- Probably no: 21%
- Neither wanted nor didn't want: 33%
- Probably yes: 14%
- Definitely yes: 15%

Data Source: Courtney et al., Findings from the California Youth Transitions to Adulthood Study: Conditions at Age 19 (2016).
Prenatal Outcomes: Disproportionately Poor Outcomes

OF FOSTER YOUTH SURVEYED AT AGE 17 WHO REPORTED PREGNANCY

- Live Birth: 35.80%
- Stillbirth or Miscarriage: 42.70%
- Abortion: 11.80%
- 20.7% Never Received Prenatal Care

Data Source: Courtney et al., Findings from the California Youth Transitions to Adulthood Study: Conditions at Age 17 (2014).
STI rates:
Disproportionately High STI Rates

Percent of Young People Reporting STI Diagnosis at Age

- **44%**
- **26**

- **23%**
- **18%**

In Foster Care

- **Young Women**
- **Young Men**

Not in Foster Care

- **11%**

Child Trends, 2017 using data from Midwest Study by Courtney et al.
Barriers:
Disproportionately Poor Health Outcomes

Logistical barriers, such as transportation

Practices that actively infringe on youth rights and access

Inconsistent access to comprehensive sexual health education & trusted adults

Lack of policies and training lead to confusion about reproductive rights & responsibilities
State and Local Needs
Welcome!

Issue & Need Overview

District and Statewide Goals

A Healthy Investment

What Helps to Move Legislation?
Describe your understanding of healthy relationships and comprehensive sexual health education.

What barriers to care have you experienced? How did you overcome those?

What would you like folks listening in on the webinar to do?
SB 89 (2017)
CA Foster Youth Sexual Health Education Act
Ensuring Access: Sexual & Reproductive Health Care

SB 89 Implementation

- Inform Youth of their Rights and Removal of Barriers
- Improve Access to Sexual Health Education
- Quality Sexual Health Training for foster caregivers, case managers, and judges.
Training: Caregivers & Professionals

SB 89 Implementation

**Training Provision**
Requires sexual health training for:
- County social workers and probation officers
- Judges
- Resource families during pre-approval training
- STRTP/group home administrators during certification training

**Topics Required**
- The reproductive and sexual health rights of youth in care
- The duties of caregivers and case managers related to these rights
- How to document in the case plan
- How to engage with youth about sexual and reproductive health
- Information about contraception methods and additional resources
**Training: Resources Available**

### SB 89 Implementation

Links to available training curricula can be found here:


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Improved Access: Sexual Health Education

SB 89 Implementation

Requires case managers to verify and document in a case plan if youth ages 10 and older have received comprehensive sexual health education (CSE), as defined by California Healthy Youth Act (CHYA)

For youth and young adults who missed it, case managers must document how the child welfare agency or probation department will ensure that youth receives the missed instruction.
Improved Access: Sexual Health Education

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For More SB 89 information:

www.jbaforyouth.org/sb89/

CWS/CMS Bulletin

CDSS Guidance on CSE Documentation

JBAY Webinar on Providing CSE in a Community Based Setting

California’s CSE Provider List

California’s Planned Parenthood List
Right to access age-appropriate, medically accurate information about reproductive and sexual health care.

Right to consent to sexual and reproductive health services and his or her confidentiality rights regarding those services.

How to access reproductive and sexual health care services and facilitated access to that care, including by assisting with any identified barriers to care, as needed.
Informing Youth: Resources on Rights & Removing Barriers

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- CDSS Guidance on Supporting Healthy Sexual Development
- CDSS Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights Youth Brochure
- JBAY/LA RHEP Developmentally Appropriate Youth Factsheets & Guide
- JBAY/LA RHEP Webinar on Resources to Have Sexual Health Conversations with Youth
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Tell us about yourself!

Did you receive comprehensive sexual health education?

What barriers to care have you experienced? How did you overcome those?

How can caregivers, judges, attorneys and case workers help?
Tell us about Foster & Kinship Caregiver Education

Why is training resource families on sexual and reproductive health for foster youth important?

Pre-approval training does require some basics on sexual and reproductive health, why would it be important to cover this for all resource families?

Do you think caregivers appreciate this education?
**Provisions: Healthy Futures for Foster Youth**

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- **Training Requirement for Resource Families**
  - Offer online and classroom trainings for RFs who did not receive pre-approval curriculum

- **Adding CSE, Rights Receipt, Barrier information to the Court Report**
  - Currently documented in CWS/CMS and would be added by caseworker to the court report for judges and attorney support

- **Annual Reporting and Analysis of Performance and Health Outcome Measures**
  - Use existing data sharing agreements between agencies to share key measures
### Provisions: Training Requirements for Resource Families

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- **~20,000 Resource Families caring for children and youth ages 10-21**
- **Caregivers need reliable, comprehensive information so they can support youth in receiving timely care and services**

| Information and resources can be specialized depending on age, sexual orientation, gender, identity, expression of the youth | Online and classroom training options available |

| Many did not receive SB 89 pre-approval training since they were approved prior to implementation | Updated guidance and dissemination of training offerings |
Provisions: Adding CSE, Rights, & Barriers to Court Report

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- Social Workers and Probation Officers already enter information into CWS/CMS
- Updated ACIN guidance has been issued by CDSS
- CWS/CMS fields can be pulled and entered into existing sections of the court report
- Court Report Education and Health Sections
- Allows Judges and Attorneys to support youth with access to CSE and care
- Verify CSE and Make Proper Orders to Ensure Needs are Met
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Provisions:
Annual Reporting & Analysis of Performance & Health

California Department of Social Services
- CWS/CMS, Foster Care Demographics, Expectant and Parenting Status, State and County level analysis

California Department of Health Care Services
- Health care services billing, HEDIS and child core set measures, prenatal, birth and postnatal care

California Department of Public Health
- STI and STD data, syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, HIV
$266,616 one-time SGF
- Training Guidance, Update, Dissemination
- Updating Rules of Court and Forms
- Hiring Data Positions & Measures Development

$687,553 ongoing SGF
- Online & Classroom Training
- Annual update to the court report by caseworkers
- Two full-time data positions

50% federal match:
- Training
- Caseworker time
- CDSS data position
Cost Savings Potential

Intimate Partner Violence
Sexually transmitted infections
Maternal mortality & morbidity
Stillbirth
Miscarriage

Healthy Relationships
Comprehensive Sexual Health Education
Contraceptive counseling
Prenatal & postnatal care
Healthy births

Court, Hospital, Personal Costs
Treatment Costs
Hospital Costs
Education and Employment Costs

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How to Get Involved
February 21: Deadline for bills to be introduced

Feb/March: Budget hearings

Governor releases May Revise

June 15: Budget bill passed by midnight; goes into effect 7/1/20

Assembly HS Committee

Assembly Appropriations Committee

Senate HS Committee

Senate Appropriations Committee

Bill goes to Governor

Bill goes into effect 1/1/21

January 10: Governor releases budget

May 29: Last day to pass out of Assembly

August 31: Last day to pass out of Senate

September 30: Last day for Governor to sign or veto

Legislative and Budget Timeline

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AB 2035 Faces Considerable Challenges

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- Instability at the federal level creates uncertainty at the state level
- Worthy, competing priorities
- Concern about the economy
Join the Coalition!

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• Follow this link to stay informed about the status of both proposals and how to be involved.
  https://forms.gle/GZVuaiPvZfxv6V457

• Email will be kept to a minimum.
Send Support Letters

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• Send in a support letter for Asm. Rubio’s bill to support@jbay.org


• Add your organization’s name to the budget letter by sending your logo to support@jbay.org
Attend Hearings and Testify

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• Attend and testify at budget and policy committee hearings:
  • Assembly Human Services Committee Hearing – March Date TBD
  • Assembly Budget Hearing – March 25th at 2:30 p.m. at State Capitol
  • Others to be scheduled
• Meet with legislators in their district office (usually Fridays)

• Email us if you’d like help organizing or preparing: anna@jbay.org

• Great opportunity for young people

• Legislators like hearing from the people they represent!
Use Social Media

• Follow JBAY on Twitter and Facebook and YouTube
• We will be pushing out social media weekly
• Share, Like, Retweet and Repost!
Enter your question or comment in the Control Panel

Presentation materials will be posted at www.jbaforyouth.org under “training archive”

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Thank You

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