

Front-End Subcommittee

This group will design a proposal for the intake process, or “front door,” of a revised CHINS system.

Some of the topics for this group to consider include:

- (1) The type of entity that should provide the first level of the service continuum and the appropriate service components;
- (2) Whether to recommend the provision of an around-the-clock crisis response and, if so, the nature of that response and the population it should target;
- (3) Who should provide assessment, who should provide referrals, and who should provide oversight;
- (4) Identifying outcome measures to track system performance; and
- (5) Determining length of service engagement.

Proposed Members

Mia Alvarado - DSS
Robert Kinscherff - DMH
Lisa Lambert - PAL
Pat Cone - Juvenile Courts
Paul Andrews - MA Superintendent Assoc.
Probation ?
Molly Baldwin, E.D., roca
Rina Cavalini, PAL Worcester
Asst. Commissioner of Programming, DSS
Chris(?) Essex County (see Pat Cone)
- youth, parents, providers
- others outside of Boston area