

# CHILDREN'S COURT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

## EDUCATION EFFORTS

### OCTOBER 2015

Follow up to last year's Courts, Corrections, and Justice Committee presentation regarding the Joint Education Task Force.

- In December 2014, the Joint Education Task Force was disbanded.
- January 2015, the Education Liaison Project was moved to the Children Youth and Families Department for implementation.
- The Children's Court Improvement Commission prioritized education tasks and felt data sharing and localized education efforts would continue with limited funds provided to the AOC by the Casey Family Programs.

#### Education Data Sharing

- January 2015, Memorandum of Understanding signed which allows the Public Education Department, Children Youth and Families Department, and the Courts to initiate data sharing to identify educational outcomes at the statewide level.
- The data has been submitted to the Education Department for data matching then will be provided to the Courts for final review, analysis, and reporting.

#### Localized Education Efforts

- Three-hour meetings convened in San Miguel, Sandoval, Otero, and Chavez Counties to discuss ways to improve outcomes for school-age children and youth people in the child welfare and/or

juvenile justice systems within their counties. Follow up tasks and actions items were developed that need to still be addressed.

- The next set of localized meetings will occur in November 2015 in Bernalillo, San Juan, Dona Ana, and Valencia Counties.

### Concern

As of December 31, 2015 Casey Family Programs will not be able to fund these two efforts. A sustainability plan will be discussed in the upcoming months, but there is concern how to continue with these efforts with no additional funding and utilizing current staff that is already overextended.

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