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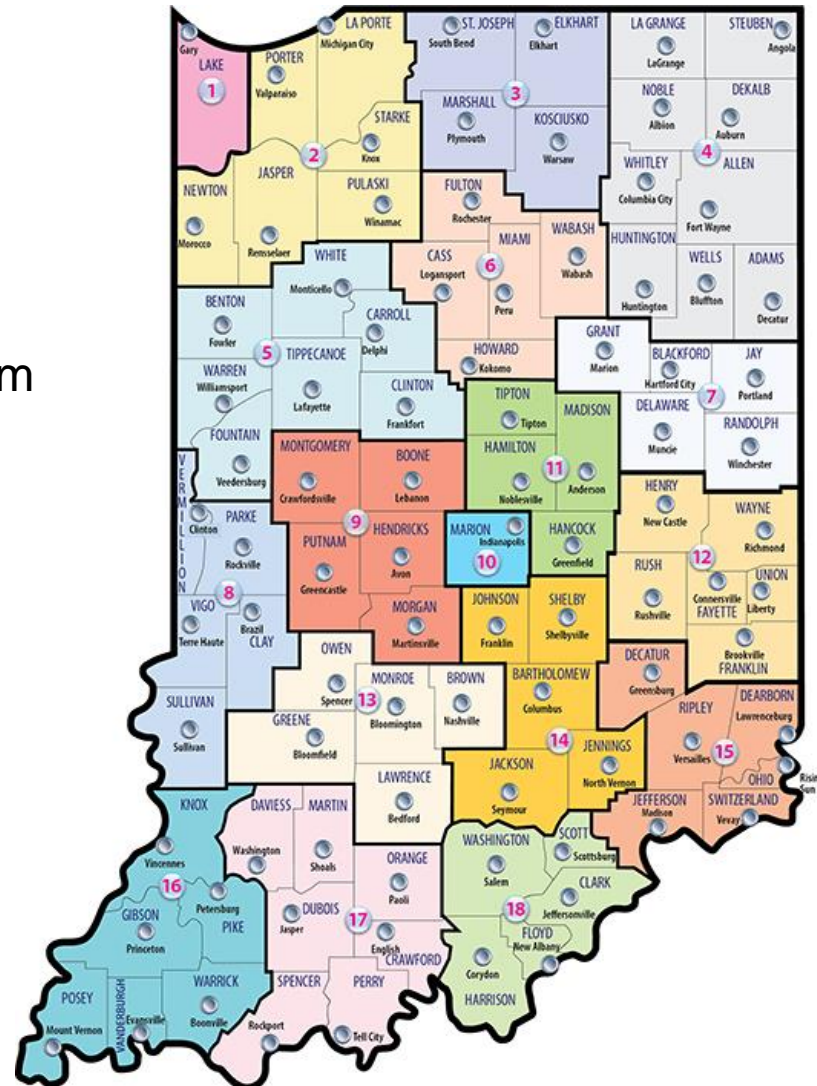
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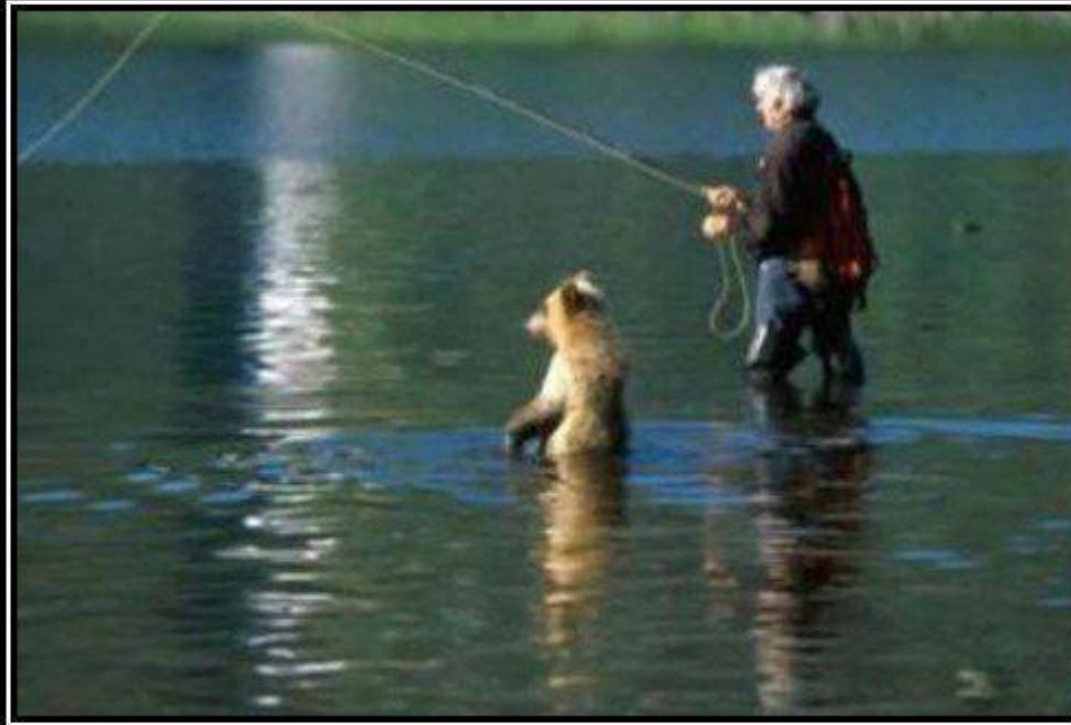
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# Welcome and Introductions

- CMHC CEO/COO/CFO
- Other CMHC Leadership Team
- DCS Regional Manager
- DCS Central Office
- Indiana Council
- Other State Agency
- Other





# PARTNERSHIP

"You give me half the fish, and I tell my mom to let you live."

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*Children thrive in safe, caring, supportive families and communities*

# The DCS/CMHC “Partnership”

## Rate the “State of the Partnership”

0-2 Poor (many challenges)

3-5 Fair (working but strained at times)

6-8 Good (working with few challenges)

9-10 Excellent (strong partnership in place)

\*Transparency and honesty are required.



# The DCS/CMHC “Partnership”

- Partnerships must be guided by a ***shared vision*** and purpose that builds trust and recognizes the value and contribution of all partners.
- Each partner must understand and accept the importance of the agreed-upon goals. This leads to improved coordination of policies, programs, and service delivery.
- Shared and transparent decision-making processes are also essential as partners work towards their common purpose.

Does the current DCS/CMHC Partnership satisfy these three components?



# Shared Vision

*A shared vision is what you want to create or accomplish as part of the partnership. A shared vision is not imposed by one of the partners as a mandate. Rather, it is derived from the partners, creating common interests and a sense of shared purpose.*

Does DCS and CMHC partners have a shared vision?

If so, what is it?

If not, could one be created?



# Agreed-Upon Goals

*In 2014, these were listed as partnership goals for DCS/CMHCs;*

- Ensure Indiana families and children are connected to the most appropriate and most effective services to meet their needs both short term and long term.
- Maximize utilization of Medicaid reimbursement for behavioral health services.

Do these goals still represent the current partnership's needs? Have they been achieved?

If not, what adjustments could be made?



# Shared and Transparent Decision-Making Processes

As it relates to the DCS/CMHC partnership, are there processes and/or forums in place to make shared and transparent decisions?

If so, what are they?

If not, what could assist in creating them?





# Open Discussion Items



# Next Steps/Action Items

