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See attached report prepared with assistance of Claudette Morris. Password to follow

Weekly Report Natuashish, December 16th -20th, 2013

No children were taken into care this week.

There were no solvent abuse reports.

This week was the first crossover of the fly in/out staff.

All files/cases belonging to the Natuashish office were reassigned across the five CYFS social workers. The permanent CYSF worker completed case transfer meetings with the workers assuming responsibility for the newly assigned cases. Case reassignment and review of files from other workers is an ongoing process.

The permanent CYSF worker left for three weeks leave over Christmas. Prior to her departure, case coverage consultations were conducted on files as necessary.

The community support intervention workers indicated that their stress level has been reduced as a result of the assistance of fly in/out social workers.

For the first time, CYFS workers in conjunction with the RCMP's "Toys for The North" campaign assisted in the organization and delivery of a Christmas party for pre-school children and their parents (approximately 100 children). Treat bags for the children were compiled and given out by the CYFS workers. Santa's attendance at this party was facilitated by the CYFS elves.

The fly in/out clinical supervisor met with the Labrador Grenfell Health mental health counselor for preliminary discussions on how we can work together to serve mutual clients as effectively as possible. It was determined that further consultation would occur after Christmas when the mental health counselor's supervisor could be contacted and was available.

The request previously made to the band council regarding more office space for CYFS staff was further addressed by the fly-in/out clinical supervisor.

CYFS fly-in/out staff completed the organization of their accommodations and delivered the resulting garbage to the dump as per the other related duties clause.

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From: Lundrigan, Wanda
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2013 11:49 AM
To: Dooling, Genevieve (Gig)
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As per your request

December 20th

Questions answered:

[REDACTED]: age 2 crms 751258

[REDACTED] age 2 crms 759707

[REDACTED] age 6 crms 597999

[REDACTED] age 9 crms 585726

[REDACTED] age 10 crms 585723

1. [REDACTED] have been placed with the coordinator of the women's shelter who is a foster parent in Natuashish. [REDACTED] currently in our care and in the process of transitioning home because the parents had been doing well. The two oldest children, ages 9 and 10, are in the home on a current supervision order. The 6yr old is on an extended Christmas access visit while the Judge is awaiting agreement between legal counsels to grant a supervision order.

[REDACTED] were placed in a foster home which fell through due to a medical emergency of the foster parent. [REDACTED] without the knowledge of CYFS, were left with their parents on Dec 11, 2013. When CYFS discovered this, a support worker was put in place to extend the weekend access that was already in place. On December 19th the mother indicated to CYFS staff that she could not cope with all five children on her own, the father had left the home and was presumed to be drinking. She indicated she was able to care for the three older children but could not cope with [REDACTED]. The community support workers were able to identify a family able to care for these children and they moved yesterday afternoon.
2. The community workers called every family they could think of in this community in an attempt to secure a safe placement for these children. I called and left a message with the staff of the Roddikton office to explore the possibility of placement in case the children could not be placed in the community. The possible of a placement in the local shelter was discussed with the Zone Manager but was not explored further because a placement in a foster home placement was found in Natuashish.
3. The majority of professionals are leaving the community for the holidays, this can be explored with any professionals that remain and can be identified. However I would be reluctant to place children with any professional without an assessment process.
4. It is my understanding based on my past child welfare work, understanding of attachment theory, and very limited knowledge of the Innu culture that placing children outside of the community is only done as a last resort when there are no other option available. We found another option. The CYFS social worker is currently working on a plan for family visits and the community workers are in the process of finding supports for both the biological and the foster family.
5. The Parents have been willing to work with us which is why the children were being transitioned home. There have been recent concerns regarding the father using alcohol, however the mother has acted in a protective manner and the father has only used when he is away from the home. The CYFS social worker met with the mother yesterday to reconfirm that she will call the RCMP

if the Father is intoxicated and/or returns home. The Mother also agreed to call CYFS if she does not feel able to care for the children as she has done in the past.

6. I have introduced myself to Kathleen Benuen and discussed the possibility of moving office space. She was not consulted regarding the placement of these children nor have I had the opportunity to discuss possible placement options with her.