

## ECTF Minutes

6-27-18

Ft Madison

This meeting of the ECTF was called to order at 9:30 am by chair, Cyndi Mason with the following present: Ginger Knisley, Missy Park, Melissa Daugherty, Carolyn Baker, Christine Van Berkum, Rachael Patterson-Rahn, Jamie Beskow, and Chad Reckling

The agenda was accepted as written.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

**Administrative Update** -Ginger gave a written administrative update including updates to funding, community planning, IWF, and ICAPP.

**Plans for combined meeting with Children First board** – The meeting will be August 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am at the Donnellson Community Room. Chad shared the board would like to hear success stories as well as what is missing or gaps in services or resources. Carolyn agreed that if the board does not know about gaps, they cannot act on it. The ECTF agreed that the large group discussions work well and it would be good to have chunks of time to focus on topics such as the ECTF operates their agendas. One part of the work may be around the regional community plan and board strategic plan.

**Oral Health** – Rachael reported they are in the process of interviewing hygienists and are still accepting applications. She was able to present to the Iowa Dental Board and also attended the Sieda community planning meeting. The community health center dental clinic in Keokuk is open with 2 dentists. Keokuk and Ft Madison Head Start centers may be part of a major study on Silver diamine fluoride.

**Provider Forums**– Cyndi asked for input for the FY19 provider forums. The first one is scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> in Donnellson. Some presentation ideas were: AEA explaining their Early Access process, Mental Health, behavioral health/intervention, 1st Five partnering with AEA if they can come, poverty simulation (or information related to it), cultural diversity, ISU Extension. It was noted that CCR&R is mandated to offer peer to peer meetings in the new FY and perhaps Cyndi could partner with them as well.

**Child Care/Preschool** – Cyndi reported having visited 2 non-registered homes and one of them is interested in becoming registered. Cyndi read a note from Cheryl that Preschool Scholarships will not be funded in FY19 and Cheryl has notified the preschools of this. The state has provided CCNCs with I-pads to conduct the health and safety reviews on site visits for the new IQ4K system.

**Mental Health** - Jamie shared that Van Buren hospital and clinics have been stellar in conducting screens during well child visits and when the system they get templates from was not functioning, they reached out to her to gain access again. This is very promising and Jamie is facilitating that process. She reports that the Community Action health advisory meeting focused quite a bit on behavioral/mental health.

They are seeing a lot of oppositional and aggressive behaviors. Jamie feels this speaks to toxic stress and unmet needs of both the family and the classroom. This is a problem being reported across the state and there is also a lot of drug involvement and parents wanting an instant fix for their child rather than a process to go through.

**Family Support** – Missy explained that the ICAPP grant was awarded but at a lower amount and they are working on the details of the amended budget as well as issues around DAISEY and MIECHV vs. Non-MIECHV families etc. Family Connections will be open to the public in August and the PAT model will be offered later in the year after staff are trained.

**Other business –**

Some issues facing providers and families include difficulty with the referral process with Young House (calls not returned, person answering phone unaware of programs, referrals lost) and the stringent eligibility requirements for Early Access.

Chad shared that there would be a Safety Town event in Burlington tomorrow including car seat checkups and there would also be car seat safety information at the kids' day at the Lee County Fair on July 13<sup>th</sup>. Chad also shared that during a state call he learned that CCR&R would be an auto refer for any child care complaint dealing with emergency preparedness, safe sleep or discipline. Mike Linnenbrink is working with Central Lee to perhaps have a before and after school program and will reach out to the YMCA about possibly operating it.

Cyndi shared that the lead coalition would be providing bags to preschools in Lee County containing soap and messaging about lead poisoning prevention this fall. Some discussion took place around the lack of resources for lead abatement work in our area.

The next meeting of the ECTF will be held on Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> combined with the Children First board meeting at the Donnellson Community Room at 9:30am.

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