



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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**INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL**  
**Thursday, January 16, 2014 – 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.**  
**RI Parent Information Network**  
**1210 Pontiac Avenue**  
**Cranston, RI 02920**

**Attendees: Carol Baum-Gupta, MD , Michael Cancilliere, Christine Branch, Casey Ferrara, Mary Fournier, Ruth Gallucci, Nicole Gotovich, Darlene Magaw, Deborah Masland, Jane Stone-Tatro, Tara Townsend, Leanne Barrett, Susan Hawkes, Elizabeth Hindley, Elsbeth Brown, Abby Marino, Tammy Russo, Lindsay Raymond**

**Informed Absence: Deb Garneau, Nicole Bucka, Brenda Duhamel**

**Welcome and Introductions** - Deborah Masland

**Approval of July Minutes** – Minutes Approved

- Motion to approve Michael Cancilliere and seconded by Tara Townsend

**Family Voices** - Tara Townsend

- Tara discussed the Approved Temporary Caregivers Insurance (TCI)
- **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Partnerships Conference** - March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Warwick. Scholarships will be available for parents. The conference will explore lifespan and what to expect as far as child development. Power sessions will be offered by agencies to make family connections.
- AMCHIP Conference - Presentation to Association of Maternal and Child health Programs.
- Three Proposals by RIPIN have been accepted for Presentation.
- Parents of Miracles Group - Deb Labodeau from SIBLINK presenting Support 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Month from 7 -830
- FV learned that Katie Beckett was in the Governor's budget, a co-payment was mentioned that would be the family's responsibility

**Family Outcomes Survey Overview**

Deborah Masland

- Survey Workgroup is formed which serves dual purpose to look at design and cover letter.
- ICC Input is welcomed. (**First Survey workgroup is scheduled for February 27, 9-10:30am at RIPIN**)
- Date is chosen to pull all children names that have an active IFSP in place and families are selected to Survey.
- This year received back over 800/ 41 % return rate
- Identify one person at EI Agency as a Survey Coordinator to help Agencies own fact that this is their survey.
- Affiliated agencies could help facilitate (Early Head Start can help support families.)

- Surveys are anonymous
- Incentives to fill out provided.
- The earlier submitted the more chances a family has to win.
- Surveys are available in Spanish and English/
- Every comment is recorded.
- Survey used on ECHO Center

### Results of last year's surveys:

- Section B gets reported to OSEP – RI is able to choose the target. For the first time ever we met all 3 targets
- Changes made from previous surveys - Family Demographic – reason for referral as opposed to reason in EI, Who referred you??? New question added this year. Good information about EI is getting to Pediatricians.
- Mary Fournier – very often Pediatrician referrals are provided to parents who in turn must make the initial phone call/referral. In this case the EI process is smoother. Direct referrals from Pediatrician are less smooth.
- Mary Fournier- Educational settings as a referral category. –Daycares and head starts often refer to EI this may be considered as a category of referral on survey in 2014.
- Any suggestions please email to Deb ([Masland@ripin.org](mailto:Masland@ripin.org))
- Ruth Gallucci – suggestion was made to send thank you to Pediatrician for referral for EI services. This would enable the Pediatrician to track referrals that were followed through on. It was suggested to bring up at next EI Association
- Survey Data Sent to Brenda, Workgroup report sent to Brenda Please review more input to reflect EI community survey. Race/Ethnicity very close match to what is in Welligent Income levels and education level not captured on welligent. Reviewing addition of online option.

### Early Learning Council Updates

Leanne Barrett

- Currently focusing on Phase III
- Membership has been reopened.
- Meetings are open to public. Meetings are posted on Early Learning RI.org
- Access Team - Focusing on eligibility and rate issues surrounding EI
- Program Quality – quality of licensed programs Centers/ Home Licensed Programs, EI SPED
- Early Learning Standards and Assessment Committee - Developmental Screening
- Data: Focus on integrating state data systems, Utilize data to support continuous quality for programs looking for EI Person
- Meet 4x per year and recommendations are given to council and provided to Governor.
- Next Council Meeting March 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 -1:30
- Kidscount – Link Cable Access TV show Provide Link Hard copies available please contact ( Request Via Email)
- Change Definition that we are at risk state
- Ruth Gallucci reminding LEA's about compliance with developmental delay. Social Emotional is part of the Domains. Special Ed is not the only resource. Other supports are available. Statewide understanding of other available supports (Directory)
- Please remember council is not just race to the top
- An Issue Brief was handed out regarding Young children with Developmental Delays and Disabilities.

### Subgroup Reports and Discussion

#### **Child Welfare (CAPTA)- Darlene Magaw**

- Joe Carr newest member leading early care group in Northern RI
- Fran and Joe have met with Colleen about data base used by clients DCYF as workers are doing reporting field may be added to make sure families are referred for EI Services
- An Internal Doc for consent to EI referral is going to be created.
- Moving forward, subcommittee hopes to utilize First Connection as the initial point of contact for families.
- The next CAPTA meeting is to be held:

**Feb 4, 2014**  
**1pm**  
**RIPIN**  
*(Large Conference Room)*

## Infrastructure -

Michael Cancilliere

Review of Operating Rules - Deborah reviewed changes in Final Draft (highlighted on Draft Copy) if members have already voted and still agree. There is no need to vote again. Section 3 colon needed minor punctuation issues  
4 more votes for operating rules. Vote taken 16 total "YES"

## Central Directory -

Tara Townsend

- First Section is complete.
- The Resource Section is currently under construction.
- Trying to figure out a key to identify multiple resources. ( color coded/categorize)
- Updating current Resources.
- Discussed possibility of forming ICC Subgroup to collaborate on resources

## Supports for Children with Autism -

Nicole Bucka

- Take systematic look at how many referrals have red flags that could lead to ASD
- In EI what range of services can be offered and what referrals to outside groups.
- How can we really have consistency???? What Process should be considered for families across the board? Even if you do not have dx but would benefit is barrier that you cannot reach resources. Look at other states. What EI can and should be doing.
- Meetings are held opposite of Full Body Meetings. ( 2/20, 4/17, 6/19, 8/21, 10/16, 12/18) 9:30-11:30 @ RIPIN

## New Business

Members

- HealthSourceRI – Molly McCloskey Health Source RI Peer Navigator – Trained to assist consumers with ACA.
- Looking for Outreach opportunities ([mcclouskey@ripin.org](mailto:mcclouskey@ripin.org) / 401.270.0101 ext.105) Please contact with questions
- HealthSourceRI.com under Assistance Tab...HealthyRhody.com search by zip code. Use surrounding zip codes if you cannot find a navigator in your area. Contact Center ( see handout provided)
- Open enrollment Oct 1 to March 31 *Expect long wait times.*
- Center may assist you over the phone. *Not a part of RIREACH.*
- They will direct to Navigator if needed..
- It advisable to establish an account with HealthSource RI to begin the process and make changes as necessary

## Adjourn

Mary Fournier

### **Next Meeting:**

**Thursday, March 27, 2014, 1:00pm to 3:00pm.**

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