

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS



Executive Office of Health and Human Services

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INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL
Thursday, November 19, 2015 – 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
RI Parent Information Network
1210 Pontiac Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920

In Attendance: Aguiar, Stacey; Barrett, Leanne; Bobrowski, Leslie; Brown, Elsbeth; Daveluy, Michelle; Donor, Pamela; DuHamel, Brenda; Fantozzi, Kelly; Gallucci, Ruth; Greene-Bromell, Margaret; Lafrance, Carol; Magaw, Darlene; Moniz, Sherri; Novak, Donna; Rivera, Ester; Rivera, Sandra; Sperlongano, Leah; Townsend, Tara; Whelan, Maureen.

Welcome and Introductions

Deborah Masland

Approval of September Minutes

Members

- **1st Carol Lafrance**
- **2nd Maureen Whelan**

EOHHS Updates

Brenda Duhamel

Hasbro EI closing: transitioning families by the end of the year 2015. Annual report, all EI programs will be visited for: Compliance, Quality, Timely services/45 days' timeline and Federal regulations. In general EI sites are doing great, year to year, we seen progress across the state-continuous throughout. We will share date of review with ICC-February 5, 2016. 1st report will be submitted. Continuing to work on our CES-aligned system –state systemic improvement plan 2nd year of reporting-to address child outcome-looking at data to drive those decisions. Reports will be reviewed and posted on website (<http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/>).

***Leslie Bobrowski**, Comprehensive developmental screening: State Improvement plan: Utilizing routine based interview: Practice/collecting data/child outcomes/improvement & analyzing data on social emotional area of development. Providers will be trained & coached.*

***Brenda**-Reinventing Medicaid: Children with healthcare home services needs will be moved to in plan, starting January 2016. Direct services will not require CEDARR involvement (HPTS, RESPITE, PASS), families can get direct services from insurance (RIte Care, Medicaid) or Doctors. Managed care plans can contact agencies directly. Katie Beckett –will continue to be fee for service. The state role is to monitor the plans.*

CEDARR: Will become Cedar and its function will be assessment of needs/action plan & connecting families.

RIDOH

Stacey Aguiar

CHW (Certified healthcare worker) Certification Standards in the process from the RI Department of Health. Healthy Families America, Mental health consultation will be included in interview.

Screening to succeed, looking for practices & healthcare clinics to participate.

Incredible years: Training/child outreach pilot (3, 4, 5 Get your child screen) refer to schools-stay tuned.

<http://r2lp.org/families/the-incredible-years>

RIHAP:

Sherri Moniz & Elsbeth Brown.

Improving diagnostic follow up in new born screening: closing the gap between diagnosis and EI services. The goal is to improve national numbers with appropriate follow up. Goals: How to reach out to families/Guidelines & Improvement of services.

Diagnose by 3 months and EI services by 6 months. Follow up is non-issue-struggle with confirming diagnosis by 3 months of age. Make sure parent know the benefits of EI guideline for recommendation to improve enrollment of EI JCIH (joint commission infant hearing). What are we doing after testing-How are we maintaining? Elsbeth Brown reaches out to families to inform them of EI. 30 children a year. Elsbeth and Sherri have been out to all EI for education purposes. JCIH (Joint Committee on Infant Hearing): CNDC followed how to sustained families and get referrals depending on parent follow up (30

referrals yearly). www.jcih.org Elsbeth Brown-Making Connections support group, 2nd Saturday of the month. Hands & Voices Hands & Voices is a non-profit, parent-driven organization dedicated to supporting families of children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Non-biased about communication methodologies and believe that families can make the best choices for their child if they have access to good information and support. <http://www.handsandvoices.org/>

RIDE

Ruth Gallucci

Early childhood and Access to high quality early care services for children with disabilities. 7 districts are piloting-Special education (Central Falls is partnering with Providence), looking at special Education as extra layer instead providing services where the child is at, research show that services in classroom are more effective than pull out. Stay tuned.

Subgroup Reports and Discussion

Child Welfare (CAPTA)

Darlene Magaw

Valued stream/Map: Prenatal 3-5 process/challenges with children whom are moved from place to place. Importance of screening in early childhood years-will be posted to DOH Data-quarterly/closing loop on referrals still in process-April 2015
Infant & toddler, collecting data from DCYF-will be posted to Children Cabinet website
Next meeting: January 5, 2016. Seven Hills. 30 Cumberland St, Woonsocket, RI 02895.
<http://cycprovidence.org/>

Act Early

Stacey Aguiar

Meeting will be held monthly instead of bi-weekly starting in January 2016.
Next meeting 8:30-10am CNDC.

WIC and EI nutritionists are with each other and would like to be known as a nutritional program (Flyer attach)

Supports for Children with Autism

Carol Lafrance

Group need to reconvene and will be looking into continuing on possible different dates
Draft will be review and share with ICC (Margaret will follow up on reaching out to group).

ICC Website

Tara Townsend

Still in the works, Tara will be reaching out to group and gather information from Elizabeth Hindley.
Update will be on next ICC meeting.

New Business

Members

Other Updates and Announcements

Members

Adjourn

Deborah Masland

- ***1st Sandra Rivera***
- ***2nd Maureen Whelan***

***Next Meeting:
Thursday, January 21, 2016, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
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