

Meeting Co-Chairs: Vikki Thompson and Rosaura Realegeno

Healthy Families Illinois  
PROGRAM/TRAINING/EVALUATION COMMITTEE

September 11, 2017

11-2pm

AGENDA

In attendance: Dara Williamson, Vikki Thompson, Katie Jacobs, Debbie Tiskos, Kit Patterson, Erika Miles, Tracy Small, Ireta Gasner, Luz Ramirez, Natasha Williams, Doris Lusk, Lynn Pucklewartz, Emily Cummings, Heather Moyer, Julia Marynus, Kim Crump, Lisa Ketchem, Sara Barrera, Cecelia Alamazon, Penny Smith,

1. Updates

- a. Prevent Child Abuse- Summit and conference - register and the summit review of what is available-
- b. Ounce of Prevention- Kathy Astin will work with us on the new standards - with a phone call per month. Review with TA folks to ensure that the state expectations meet the HFA standards. Summit: Panel Discussion around certain topic areas, Useful and engaging - Review of standards that have changed. Highlight the ones that are problem standards. CHEERS check in form, leveling form and goal plan. Supervisor training - HFA peers are aware and will be looking at it. Parent Survey training for supervisors. Kit will send Reflective Supervision information groups to the network. DuPage 9-11 on 9-15, Sterling 10-1 9-12, Normal 10-12 on 9-26, Mt Vernon 9-22 Helpful group to remind themselves on reflective issues. Reach out to kit if you want to start a new group in your area.

Reflective supervision - is becoming a one day for three different months. Expanding - not a need for you to repeat but it would be helpful. October 3, October 30 and November 30 in Chicago. In Springfield in late November and in downstate at the end of the year. Contact Bill for more information.

- c. DHS update - NOFO for two Chicago communities and Danville, will be forthcoming and Champaign was awarded.
- d. ISBE update- Penny Smith - Look at screening for eligibility for PI funding. Contact Penny if you need anything. The RFP will be coming out. Home visiting, center based with a HV component and family literacy with HV component. Read the RFP closely - align with every component - there have been some changes. If you did an intent to apply a long time - Submit a new Intent to apply - If you have done it since August you are ok -
- e. Advocacy Update - Ireta - we have a budget - until September 30 they have to get the payment voucher into the comptroller. Make sure that all stuff is in - 7 months since last payment. Problems at Agency let Ireta know - the governor is going to sell more bonds. Make payments until the end of the calendar year. Contracts seem to be moving forward. The permanent revenue increase should be impacting the ease of passing a budget. Early childhood block grant got a 50 million increase. RFP was delayed again. Please look for that information. Miecvh reauthorization - always a period of time for payment. To bills in House - fairly different no bill in senate. hoping for a bipartisan bill - hoping for a committee hearing this week. Want to avoid this as a partisan issue. Children's health insurance bill that it could be attached to. They can do an extension if needed. Peter rakus is on the committee - adam kinziger - and john Shimkus need to be contacted.

f. Cluster Reports-

Central, - Supervisors met and discussed how programs are starting to recover and waiting for payment. Also discussed some supervision issues related to onboarding, supervision of staff specific to safety, paperwork tracking, hiring for reflective capacity, and an update on family connects.

Southern - attended the reflective supervision group instead of a cluster meeting. And the next meeting is November 15, Northwest - Big Thanks for Kim Crump - meeting on Wednesday with a training on drugs - and Kit is presenting on attachment and bonding.

Chicago metro - scheduled to meet September 26, 2-4 at Erika's site.

Suburban Cook - last met August 18, next meeting November 17. Discussed supervisory issues and summit planning.

*If the chairs of these clusters are unable to be present to report, please send your written report to Vikki or Rosaura so that it can be shared with the group.*

## 2. Program Topics

- ❖ Impact of technology 'addiction' on home visiting and parent child bonding. - During the visit the caregiver doesn't disengage from her phone.

Sara sent an article - [http://cmhd.northwestern.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/ParentingAgeDigitalTechnology.REVISED.FINAL\\_2014.pdf](http://cmhd.northwestern.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/ParentingAgeDigitalTechnology.REVISED.FINAL_2014.pdf)

Impact of use on Language and development and safety. What are the strategies to help parents not engage in distracted parenting. Will the use of the reflective strategies impact attachment? This is a place to start. Noticing the baby with their parents so that they put phone down and pay attention.

Is this so different from TV? Documentation will help to identify which families need to have greater intervention. Look into research to see if there is an impact on development.

- ❖ Disclosures on the Parent Survey regarding immigration status—documentation challenges and risk factors - What are folks doing with this - families who are undocumented never documented that in the kemp - don't document

it in the notes, supervision notes, or anywhere. Trained in the updated parent survey - who was told to document the immigration status in the kemp. They were told in training to document in section 2 as a criminal activity. - Dara is working with Lynn from HFA - should we be writing this down? Ultimately your site makes that decision and chooses to document or not. Stressor instead of under criminal activity. We don't have to ask and it is encouraged not to ask - don't have to explore that in the parent survey process - if it is disclosed - you don't have to document it. You don't have to write it anywhere. But know it and keep it in mind as you consider the parent child interaction. Don't ask - during this climate and you don't have to document. In Illinois they are already determined eligible - the score doesn't matter - bottom line - the score doesn't determine that they are eligible. Be consistent. Language of unstable housing rather than document status.

- ❖ Making meetings meaningful—suggestions and tips for creating a productive atmosphere. - Elaine brings topic from cluster meetings and the topics are emailed to vikki - Presentations on resources - lots of changes - some resources are no longer available. The lunch break is not significant so this format is ok - the opportunity to talk about the work. And that we have a variety of things to discuss.
- ❖ Strategies for Collaboration: How to work and play well with others - Community changes - some have coordinated intake. Lots of competition for

target populations. Some programs have money to provide incentives some don't how does that impact engagement. Time intensive to make sure that referrals are and did the program connect with the family - referrals from different place - can they make sure that they only pass on referrals to specific places. Challenges with staff turnover. Also, decision makers are not at meetings. This causes problems with impacting change within the community. Report to referral agencies to ensure that they understand how if you send them to us we will provide the program to the family. Kim crump does a newsletter that she shares with constituents this might help to ensure the referral sources understand the impact the program has on those referrals.

- ❖ Incentives and their role in Family Engagement -
- ❖ Working with challenging populations using a trauma informed strategy.
- ❖ Discussion of funding issues related to indirect costs and impact on programs.
- ❖ Open Discussion
- ❖ Meeting adjournment

Next Meeting Date

December 4, 2017 11am to 2pm

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