

Planning Region Team 21

November 9, 2018

The Public Meeting Act is posted on the all and available for public inspection.

Sign-in and Welcome

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Attendance: Kim Bolan, Allison Domsch, Stacy Felker, Chris Janovec, Andrea Kidd, Denise Larson, Christine McKinney, Sara Reiff, Kiara Taylor, Jean Ubbelohde, Amber Washburn, Kris Bamesberger, Andrea Kidd, Laura Innes

- **Purpose of the Early Childhood Planning Region Team**

- The purpose of Planning Region 21 is to assist in collaborative planning and development of a family-centered, interagency, community-based system for all children, with emphasis on those with disabilities, birth to age 5

- **Committee Work Break-Out**

- **Committee Reports**

- **CHILD FIND: Co Chairs** Denise Larson, Amber Washburn

- Child Find - Reached out to more MOPS groups, many schedule a year in advance so hoping for a reply next spring, planning to order books and found some talking cards to go with the books at the 0-3 Conference. Principals identified nights that work for setting up a table.

- Planning a to hold Drop In and Play on Saturday for the Title Buildings. Kim and Denise will send invite and staff.

- **PARENT SUPPORT/TRAINING** Co chairs: Sara Reiff, Allison Domsch

- Made [flyers - invitation to come to PRT meetings](#) - give them to teachers to hand out at home visits, Drop In and Play

- Made [flyers for the new Facebook group](#) for early intervention families, started by parent, Bryanne Arter

- Link the flyers to the minutes of the meeting

- Link the parent facebook page on the Early Childhood Facebook page - will

- Post the flyer on the parent facebook page

- Planning to have Carrie Gottschalk speak in February for parents

- ESU #3 is working with their PRT and Carrie to make videos for parents

- Open house for 3 year old transitioning families. Will consult with Rockwell staff about their open house

- **CHILDCARE PARTNERSHIPS** Co chairs: Kim Bolan, Kiara Taylor

Met with Jen Haggert - training session with 2-3 child cares, intro night and informational night, social emotional, development, etc - have someone present and then have a coach (Andrea Kidd) go in and work with them for a few hours for each time. 3 topics, 3 coaching sessions.

- **FAMILY OUTCOMES** Co-chairs: Christine McKinney, Emily Schlater

Created a chart to see what we can do on home visits to help families link EI services, practices, and the family surveys. Survey comes out in Feb. Service coordinators will target talking points in December and January.

- **Services Coordination Report**

Currently serving 128 children

49 referrals since 9/21/18

- 7 verified
- 2 DNQ
- 5 not evaluated
- 35 in process

Referral Source

- 20 school
- 10 physician
- 5 parent
- 4 CAPTA
- 1 Healthcare provider
- 1 Hospital
- 3 other services coordinator
- 2 Early Development Network
- 2 Not recorded

Age at time of referral

- 0-12 mo - 3 referrals
- 12-24 mo - 21 referrals
- 25-36 mo - 25 referrals

Numbers of referrals of less than 12 months is low

Will combine efforts with ESU#3 to hold a Wee Screen at CRCC. CRCC reached out to ESU, believing they have several children under 12 months who are not receiving EI services and would be eligible.

Held Wee Screen in October, 11 families attended with 7 referred on.

- **Year One CAP Closeout**

Training is completed and the state and has said all requirements met.

- **Early Learning Connection (ELC) (Jennifer Haggart)**

- Close to 75 attended the first ever Columbus Day conference “Igniting Your Passion for Teaching” on October 8. Requested that we do it again in 2019
- Almost 60 attended the Early Literacy conference on October 27
- Matt McNiff providing [Making Sense of Challenging Behavior](#) on December 1
- ELC Omaha Region website www.elcomaharegion.org always a great place to visit!
- The 2019 Infant Toddler Symposium will be March 23
- Week of the Young Child is April 8-12, 2019

- **Community Partners Update**

- Nebraska Respite Network
 - We assist family caregivers of those with special needs (across the lifespan) locate Respite providers. This allows the family caregiver to take that brief break to recharge—perhaps go to their own appointments, go to the grocery store or even take a nap. The Respite providers have been annually screened – APS/CPS, Sex Offender Registry, Law Enforcement and upon initial application they are interviewed in person and an orientation conducted. We also call their references of course. We can visit with the family caregiver over the telephone or email/mail the Caregiver Referral Form to them. When they return that form to us we can generate a list of Respite providers that we email and mail to them. The family caregiver then contacts the respite providers, conducts an interview and hopefully has them to call for providing care. NRRS (Nebraska Resource and Referral System): <https://nrrs.ne.gov/respite/>

We can also guide family caregivers to possible respite funding sources such as the Lifespan Respite Subsidy (\$125 per month) (which you have already been approved for!!) as well as the other funding options like Children's Respite Care Center and Health and Human Services

- **17-18 Part C Family Survey (handout)**

See attached link

[17-18 Part C Family Survey Results](#)

- **Grocery Store Project**

Joining forces with others in the Metro to replicate the Supermarket Speak project. Currently working on some preliminary designs for signage and then will set up meetings with local grocery stores to determine willingness to participate.

- **Gaps and Barriers**

-working with children with challenging behaviors in daycare centers.

- **Next Meeting Dates:**

January 18

March 15

May 17 (Annual Meeting)