Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee

Attendees

Betty Walton, Brandon Meyers, Laura Stephens, Charlie Geier, Matt Hetzel, Kristina Musielak, Sara Abdalla, Sue Burrow, John Peirce; *Oh phone:* Amanda Lopez

Key Topics Discussed

A. ELAC and Other Updates

- The [2017 Indiana Summit for Economic Development via Early Learning Coalitions](#) will be held on June 5, 2017 at the Monroe County Convention Center in Bloomington, Indiana.

  - Over 300 people are registered, representing 55 Indiana counties. Please help spread the word! Registration is still open on ELAC's home page.

  - Keynote speakers will be videotaped!

  - The full Coalition Summit agenda with speaker and panelist names will be posted on ELAC website to help "advertise" the Summit. Perhaps another email blast should be sent out when these materials are released?

- A new state agency, the Management Performance Hub (MPH) is absorbing INK, effective July 1st. The crux of what INK provides (an education data pipeline) will be retained. Matt Hetzel will be working on marketing for MPH, and less with INK, going forward.

- ELAC will help with the next phase of OMW Pre-K expansion to 15 counties!

- Upcoming webinar critical to our work: *Using Administrative Data To Address Policy-Relevant Research Questions in Early Care and Education*. Tuesday, June 20, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EDT). Includes information about building a strong partnership with State agencies to conduct policy-relevant research! https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/935435188787906307

- NIEER State of Preschool Report came out this week. Indiana was mentioned; we hit one current benchmark and one new benchmark, yeah!

B. Data-Driven Toolkit Outline

- Charlie presented an overview of the draft toolkit outline (uploaded to Wiggio).

- Workgroup carefully reviewed each section of the outline and suggested revisions and additions. (An updated outline will be posted in Wiggio.)

- John suggested creating visualizations around the "why" in the introduction of this toolkit. Amanda offered language from the Coalition Toolkit, "Use data to understand the current state, and then ongoing for continuous improvement."

- Amanda suggested organizing the Data-driven toolkit sources by key indicators; Kyle suggested organizing them by type of data source. Others said both would be helpful.

- Another suggestion was to organize the data sources by geographic "level" (state, county, city, town, census tract, neighborhood) and topic. Either way, once the resources are categorized, it will be easier to identify the gaps!

- Suggestion to include an *interactive* glossary of references in the Data-driven Toolkit.

- Lora suggested the Data-driven Toolkit begin with "how to" perform a community needs assessment.

- Workgroup decided to wait to work on their data policy deliverable until after creating the Data-driven Toolkit.

Action Items

1. Matt agreed to finalize the Coalition Summit presentation.
2. Charlie agreed to find a simple "process to action" graphic.
3. Ann and Sara agreed to work on a Top 10 list and some "Don't dos" for toolkit.
4. Brandon agreed to take a stab at writing some guiding questions for using toolkit.
5. Matt and John will continue work on the data resources page (re-organize, categorize, etc.)
6. Try to participate in this webinar if you can! *Using Administrative Data To Address Policy-Relevant Research Questions in Early Care and Education*. June 20, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EDT) https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/935435188787906307

Next Meeting

Thursday, June 22, 2017 l 1pm – 3pm l Ice Miller Offices