



## Attendees

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Carrie Bale, Connie Sherman, Marta Fetterman, Deb Hughes, Megan McKinney Cooper, Lisa Castle, Julie Burns, Corey Newman, Nancy Ward, Jamee Malan, Angela Paxton, John Pierce, Bethany Ecklor, Cynthia Smith, Shannon Garrity, Mary Delaney, Mary Ann Cannon, Suzanne West, Shirley Payne, Amanda Lopez, Whitley Wynns, *Guest: Natalie Break (PPA Workgroup)*

## Key Topics Discussed

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### A. New Members

- Angela Paxton, Indiana University School of Medicine.
- Jamee Malan, Indiana State Department of Health.
- Mary Ann Cannon, Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation, Child Care Resource & Referral.
- Mary Delaney, Indiana University School of Medicine.
- Megan McKinney Cooper, Jump IN.

### B. ELAC Updates

- Amanda shared that the 2018 ELAC Annual Report is now available on the ELAC website under the “Resources” tab. A “Data” tab has been added to the website where the county profiles and the new interactive dashboard can be viewed.
- Amanda also shared that the 2018 Annual Report has a communication plan this year to insure key stakeholders receive the information and understand how to utilize it.
- The ELAC Provider Participation and Advancement, and the Data Coordination and System Integration Workgroups are working towards preparing to present toolkits to ELAC before making them available on the website.
  1. The Provider Participation and Advancement Workgroup is working on a Coalition Building Toolkit that will be presented to ELAC in January.
  2. The Data Coordination and System Integration Workgroup is working on a Data-Driven Toolkit that will guide stakeholders on where to find early learning data and how to use it. This toolkit will be presented at the December ELAC meeting.
- There will be no overall ELAC planning meeting in January. The group is waiting for the new chair to be appointed. ELAC workgroups will each hold their own workgroup planning meeting in January 2018.



- Details for the 2018 Economic Development for Early Learning Summit are being finalized. A date for the summit will hopefully be announced at the beginning of 2018.
- The Request for Funding for the Early Childhood Capacity Building Grant is now available. This opportunity is available to counties that may not be participating in the On My Way Pre-K program pilot.

### C. State/Local Initiatives Update

- The [2016 Indiana Infant Mortality and Morbidity Annual Report](#) is now available on the Indiana Family Social Services (FSSA) website. This report provides an overview of the status of infant mortality and morbidity in the state of Indiana.
- WFYI's "Bright by Text" has expanded to now allow enrollment by Moms in their 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester to receive texts of information about research-based tips and local resources based on their child's age.

### D. Help Me Grow Presentation, Cynthia Smith and Shannon Garrity

- Cynthia and Shannon presented an overview of Indiana Help Me Grow (HMG). HMG will be incorporated through Indiana's Moms HelpLine and will also partner with Connect-2Help 211. HMG intake consultants will receive specific training in order to appropriately answer phone calls and connect families to existing services.
- Workgroup members reviewed the 4 key components of HMG (Child Health Care Provider Outreach, Community Outreach, Centralized Call Center, and Data Collection). Cynthia explained that other HMG committees will be formed or integrated into standing committees/workgroups based on these 4 components. The ELAC Data Coordination and System Integration Workgroup has been asked to serve as the Data Collection committee for HMG.
- Cynthia and Shannon walked the workgroup through the HMG organization chart to propose how HMG Indiana should be managed. The ELAC Child Development and Well-Being workgroup was asked to be the Leadership Team for HMG Indiana based on the workgroup's initial involvement with obtaining the two funding streams to implement HMG and the expertise of workgroup members.
- Members discussed the opportunity and agreed to be the Leadership Team of HMG Indiana. HMG will be a standing agenda item for the workgroup.
- January 23, 2018 will be the HMG kick-off meeting where HMG national will be in attendance. Members from this workgroup will attend the kick-off meeting.

### E. Subcommittee Breakouts



- The workgroup leads reported out on the work they have completed over the past four months.
  - 1. CCDF Intake Subcommittee**
    - The subcommittee shared that they finalized questions and resources during the October subcommittee meeting. Members went through a process of cross walking concerns from the Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning with the new questions and newly identified resources that were not originally readily available to families during the CCDF Intake process.
    - The subcommittee shared that the questions and resources have been sent to the Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning, but no final feedback has been received.
  - 2. Subcommittee on Community Brain Framework/Toolkit/Training, presentation**
    - The subcommittee completed a full draft of the Early Brain slide deck. Carrie gave a full presentation of the Early brain slide deck to the workgroup in order for them to provide feedback and input to polish the presentation.
    - Overall, workgroup members were very pleased with the work that was completed. They provided feedback around possibly having different versions of the presentation based on the audience and potentially having a webinar that could live on the Training Central website.
    - Workgroup members expressed there being a strong need to get this early brain development information to providers and families. The slide deck is mainly for non-early learning professionals, but Early Learning Indiana is working on something that can be geared more towards families.
      - ELI is working to provide 5 short animated infographics that can be readily available and shared on social media platforms.
    - The slide deck is being shared with ELI to ensure alignment of messaging.
  - 3. Subcommittee on Suspension and Expulsion Policy**
    - Connie shared that the Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning has developed a final policy for suspension and expulsion based on the policy developed by subcommittee.
    - On January 19<sup>th</sup> subcommittee members will meet with the office to talk about the policy and ways the subcommittee can support the implementation of the policy.



- Connie mentioned speaking with Dr. Gulliam who stressed the need for a mental health climate when looking at suspension and expulsion. He suggested the subcommittee look at work Connecticut has completed as a point of guidance.
- Amanda shared a tool for building a toolkit. The subcommittee may be interested in developing a toolkit around ways to address suspension and expulsion through a mental health climate. Subcommittee members will review this information in preparation for the meeting with OECOSL.

### Action Items

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1. **All members** are invited to attend the Help Me Grow Kick-off Meeting January 23, 2018.

### Next Meeting

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Tuesday, January 23, 2018 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | St. Mary's Child Center.