



Attendees

Sarah Parks-Reese, Candice Wise, Nancy Ward, Marta Mendez, Maria Almanza Guerrero, Stephanie Beverly, Jessica Yoder, Charity Coopola, Kristi Linson, Cori Newland, Deb Hughes, Bethany Ecklor, Brittany Butterfield, Cynthia Smith, Marta Fetterman, Angela Paxton, Mary Delaney, Shannon Garrity, John Peirce, Megan McKinney Cooper, Gail Strong, Connie Sherman, Lacey Kottkamp, Amanda Lopez, Margaret Smith; *On the phone*: Marissa Rose, Katie Swec, Nancy Michael

Key Topics Discussed

A. Updates

1. ELAC

- a. Connie is stepping down as co-chair of the Child Development and Well-being workgroup, but plans to remain an active member of the group.
 - i. ELAC is accepting nominations for a new co-chair. Nominations can be sent to Lacey Kottkamp, Interim ELAC Chair (Lacey.Kottkamp@fssa.in.gov) and the ELAC Project Management Team (Amanda Lopez, a.lopez@transformconsultinggroup.com and Margaret Smith, m.smith@transformconsultinggroup.com).
 - ii. Nominations will be discussed and considered at the ELAC meeting on September 14th.
- b. ELAC is in the process of creating and finalizing bylaws.
- c. The Early Learning Summit (indianaearlylearningsummit.org) is scheduled for October 16th.
 - i. The focus of this year's Summit is the return on investing in early childhood.
 - ii. The Summit planning team is currently accepting nominations for Community Early Learning Champion Awards.
 1. Nominations can be made for individuals or groups.
 2. Nominations will close August 31, 2018.
 3. Submit nominations here:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe3zBiKICVw4tXatJgUAZ7hzhfjetHXIjhw8-LqPTRa_AHS_g/viewform

2. National News

- a. Preschool Development Grant: The current grant opportunity is focused on system building in birth to age five, and is not intended to fund new programs or direct services.



- i. A committee has formed to discuss the possibility of Indiana applying for this competitive grant.
 - b. Project Hope: Core team has met to begin the process of brainstorming the state's project.
 - i. Shannon will be shadowing a staff member in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) office to learn more about the inequalities present in certain geographic regions.
 - ii. Lacey and Shannon will be travelling to Dallas in October to present their portfolio and the work the team has engaged in.
3. New online marketplace through the Alliance for a Healthier Generation-Megan
 - a. [Jump IN](#) is working with the [Alliance for a Healthier Generation](#) who has started a CACFP approved Amazon marketplace.
 - b. A training webinar to introduce the marketplace took place last week.
 - i. Megan will post a copy of the webinar to Glip.

B. 2018 Workgroup Priorities

1. Suspension and Expulsion Subcommittee
 - a. Next steps to support implementation
 - i. The flowchart drafted by Katie will be better used within the medical setting.
 1. Katie, Angela and their colleagues will share information with their medical networks regarding the implementation of this policy.
 - ii. It would be helpful to send the letter intended for child care providers to medical professionals and other secondary audiences (First Steps, Indiana Academy of Family Practice, Nurse Practitioners Association, CHIP-IN, First Steps, DCS, Community Mental Health Center).
 1. Is a communications plan needed for secondary audiences/institutions? Transform Consulting Group (TCG) will follow up with the Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning (OECOSL).
 - iii. A behavioral tracking document has been created for early childhood education providers.
 - iv. CCR&R coaches will be helping providers through the implementation process and will have access to additional implementation resources.
 - v. There are a number of documents and resources, received from Arkansas, that need to be tailored to Indiana.
 1. TCG will follow up with OECOSL to see if this is a task the workgroup can assist with.
 - vi. The workgroup discussed the importance of providing resources on trauma and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).



1. Related resources were included in the resource packet.
2. Additional training will be available on Brighter Futures.
- vii. Information on conscious discipline was also included in the resource packet.
 1. Lacey shared that Head Start is holding a conscious discipline training on September 25th and 26th that has 60 open spots. Lacey will share information about this training with the workgroup.
2. Early Brain Development Slide Deck
 - a. Next steps: Recording and dissemination
 - i. WFYI will record it for us
 - ii. Christopher Weintraut, Executive Director of Indiana Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics, has agreed to narrate.
 - iii. TCG will coordinate scheduling a recording session.
3. Help Me Grow-Leadership Team
 - a. HMG workgroup report outs
 - i. Data Collection and Analysis workgroup-John
 1. At the last meeting, the data workgroup spoke with a HMG national representative (Erin Cornell) via phone about HMG and related data needs.
 - a. HMG is positioned to improve and build on what is already going on at the local level. The data workgroup needs to find a way to collect and use data related to local level activities.
 - b. The data group was given a guideline list of data the national HMG would like them to collect.
 2. Kristi will create a report out template. All workgroups will report out at September's Leadership Team meeting.
 - b. One-pagers were developed to explain HMG to different providers and community groups. These documents were sent out to experts for a review of language and content.
 - c. The organizing entity talked to HMG national this week about an early childhood mapping process that will begin soon. Surveys will be used to collect data to map Indiana and the relationships and collaborations existing across the state, in relation to early childhood.
 - i. This mapping process will be similar to a network analysis or stakeholder map.
 - d. HMG national team members will be coming for a second site visit in January or February. Prior to that time, the Leadership Team and organizing entity must identify what information and progress will be highlighted during this visit.



- e. Shannon and Cynthia will be presenting about HMG in Elkhart and at the [Institute for Strengthening Families](#).
- f. HMG Care Coordinators have been hired.
- g. HMG Community Capacity for Change Synthesis & Report:
 - i. Workgroup members split into three subgroups to discuss low scoring areas (Family & Community Climate; Community Leadership & Political Will; Early Childhood Funding) and to form recommendations.

Action Items

1. TCG will follow up with OECOSL regarding next steps in supporting the implementation of the Suspension and Expulsion policy.
2. Lacey will share information about the Head Start conscious discipline training with the workgroup.
3. TCG will coordinate with Chris and WFYI to schedule a recording session for the early brain development presentation.
4. Kristi will create a HMG workgroup report out template.

Next Meeting

September 27, 2018 | 10:00am – 12:00pm | St. Mary's Child Center