

## Local Interagency Council 16 Date: January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Location: Child and Family Connections #14

## **Minutes**

### I. Participants:

Tiara Hannah/BGC Brittany Stickland/PSD150 Jim Runyon/Easterseals Gene Seaman/HRA Roxanne Flemming/IDPH Lacie Sherlock/HCCN Natalie Williamson/PCCHD Erica Strunk/CFC Ericka Ivory/Neighborhood House Donna Ashley/Crittenton Kim Glow/ROE Joni Lyons/CFPA Tara Wellenreiter/CFC Vicki Thompson/CHAIL Michelle Harr/CFC

II. <u>Minutes from November 8<sup>th</sup> - Motion to approve:</u> 1<sup>st</sup>- Kim

2<sup>nd</sup> Vikki Minutes approved

III. Spotlight: Michelle Harr, program manager of Child and Family Connections #14 (CFC). CFC 14 is one of 25 CFC's in the state, covering Peoria, Tazewell, Woodford, Henry, and Stark counties. The CFC is the entry point for children birth to 3 years for Early Intervention services. Anyone can make a referral, but it is a voluntary program, so parents/guardians must consent. When a referral comes in, it is registered and assigned to a services coordinator. Service coordinators are decentralized, so referrals are assigned according to where family resides. Each child receives at least two evaluations, a global evaluation and a domain specific evaluation in the area of concern (such as speech). All evaluations are free of charge. CFC staff also conduct developmental screenings free of charge.

### IV. Committee Work/Budget:

- A. The holiday party had 54 people signed in, mostly from the Early Intervention program. Erica did not have a specific number, but roughly 500.00 was spent on gift bags, food, and Santa. We had 8 different table of activities and crafts. Last year, there were double the number of attendees. Erica suggested, that instead of a Spring event, that we try for a resource fair for public awareness. Some suggestions were to have it at the RiverPlex, or any location along a bus route.
- B. Membership agreements were signed.
- C. Erica recently created new MOUs that are in collaboration with the LIC and prevention initiative and/or home visiting programs and preschool for all programs. They were presented to the group, suggestions for any changes were asked of the group. If anyone in the LIC is in need of one or both of these MOUs, please contact Erica with the agency name, director or person authorized for signatures, address, phone number, and email address.

#### V. Jim Runyon, State of the State:

- A. Jim handed out a rundown of the Medicaid managed care plans. These plans changed on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Five of the seven plans are now state-wide. The state is required to move 100% of the Medicaid recipients into a Medicaid managed care plan. Families will be placed into a care plan, but have the right to change. To help inform individuals of the different plans, visit <a href="www.enrollhfs.illinois.gov">www.enrollhfs.illinois.gov</a>
- B. The Early Childhood Forum is hosting "Legislative Happening Hour" on February 9<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 5pm at Kelleher's Irish Pub and Eatery in Peoria. There will be different legislators there throughout the event. The cost is \$12, mail payment to Early Childhood Forum, 233 E. Leadley Ave., East Peoria, 61611 by January 31<sup>st</sup>. Hors d'oeurves, soda, tea, and water is provided.



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### VI. Michelle Harr/CFC Manager's Report:

- A. There have been several new independent and a few agencies have new providers, which has helped with the delay of services for children in EI.
- B. Referrals were down some in December, but no more than normal for the holidays.

### Program Updates/Announcements/Upcoming Area Events:

- 1. Legislative "Happening Hour" is February 9<sup>th</sup> at 3pm to 5pm @ Kelleher's Irish Pub and Eatery, 619 SW Water St., Peoria.
- 2. Good Beginnings is accepting  $2^{nd}$  time at risk mom for the first time in their prenatal classes. For more info call (309)687-7600.
- 3. Crittenton Advocacy Center is moving to 2016 N. Knoxville Ave., Ste A., Peoria. The former center is becoming housing for homeless teens.
- 4. The Tazewell AOK and Lincoln Prairie Behavioral Health are sponsoring the 2018 Lunch and Learn series. The costs are free, and registration is required. CEUs are available. The schedule is attached with the minutes. Please contact Julie Herzog for more info @ jherzog@tchd.net or call (309)925-5511 ext 266.
- 5. Anyone needing MOUs from the LIC, please contact Erica at <a href="mailto:estrunk@cicfc.org">estrunk@cicfc.org</a>.

Next LIC meeting is February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Location: Center for Prevention of Abuse 720 W. Joan Ct., Peoria, 61614

Time: 12pm-1:30pm (approx.)

### LIC 16 Mission Statement:

The Local Interagency Council is a collaborative group of local providers, public agencies and families who work together to support the Early Childhood community through Public Awareness activities, Child Find and Transitions into local school districts. The LIC will strive to strengthen communities, empower families and advocate for the development of children ages birth to 5.