



Local Interagency Council 45
Minutes from
April 10th, 2018 @ 11 am
Location: Geneseo Community Center

I. Participants:

Nicole Enderle/BHSROE	Brittany Lewis/Abilities Plus
Janean Friedman/Wetherfield 230	Ethan Hernandez/Abilities Plus
Janelle Trapkus/Hammond Henry	Sarah Brody/Abilities Plus
Nathan Wager/CFC	Courtney Mighill/Hammond Henry
Jim Runyon/Easterseals	Lori Doyle/Abilities Plus
Julie Theill/Hammond Hery	Michelle Harr/CFC
Erica Strunk/CFC	

II. Minutes from February 13th, 2018

Motion to approve: 1st - Nicole
2nd - Lori; Minutes approved

III. Spotlight: Janelle Trapkus, physical therapist, Hammond Henry Hospital. LIC was happy to have Janelle and Courtney present today. They spoke about the different services the Hammond Henry offers in addition to the multiple Early Intervention services. They also shared an upcoming event, "Free 2 Play", which is Tuesday, June 6th at the athletic field, one block west of the Geneseo Community Center. This event is free to all. It is a national movement initiative to help encourage kids about the appreciate and enjoyment of exercise.

IV. Jim Runyon/State of the State:

- A. Jim explained his role as the fiscal agent to both CFC 14 and CFC 16, and his newer role as the superintendent of the Learning Academy. All of the CFC's are up for rebid, along with EI monitoring, training, Clearing House, and credentialing. Easterseals still has intention to rebid for both of the CFCs but are waiting on the RFP's to be posted. The contracts will now have to be rebid at least every 3 years, instead of the previous 5 years.
- B. EI is continuing to be paid through the court order. Even if the state fails to approve a state budget, payments for CFC's and providers will still be made.
- C. House Bill 5347 would greatly impact Early Intervention if it becomes law. This bill would allow parents of children in Early Intervention to continue services through the age of 5 or till starting kindergarten.
- D. House Bill 5070 proposes to provide that "health care professional" includes dentists, occupational therapists, pharmacists, physical therapists, clinical social workers, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and hearing instrument dispensers (rather than any clinician licensed to provided medical services under Illinois law) via Telehealth.
- E. House Bill 4289 is a bill that could help children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Medicaid receive Autism specific services. Currently, only children can receive the additional services if they have private insurance, leaving a gap for children in need of services. This Bill number is expected to change as changes are being made. For more information on these House Bills, visit, www.ilga.gov.

V. Budget: The group discussed the egg hunt, and some of the challenges. It was discussed that it may be better for future events to have two smaller events in different locations to help for better turnout. The remaining budget is 1, 472.49. Michelle brought some products that CFC16 has, and group voted to spend \$1,000, motioned by Nicole, 2nd by Janelle, on promotional products to be handed out at events such as Free 2 Play and Hog Days.



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VI. Manager's Report/Provider Information (Michelle Harr):

- A. CFC 14 is fully staffed. Michelle is still helping at CFC 16, so please call her cell if needed help.
- B. CFC 14 is doing great with their monthly stats. Services delays are down to 7%, average days from referral to IFSP are 23.85 days, and average age at intake is down to 590 days.
- C. CFC 14 has their site audit May 8th and 9th. Monitoring is pulling 34 files to audit. Staff will be available during audit to help with any questions.
- D. Case reviews for the next two months have been cancelled. In their place are two trainings that are open to our community partners. Please contact Michelle for additional questions/registration.
 1. How to Successfully Work with an Interpreter. Presented by Evelyn Denny with Shine Therapy Services. Friday, May 4th at Hyvee on Sheridan @ 12pm- 2pm.
 2. Autism Training. Learn how to identify "red flag" indicators. Training will be at the CFC office, 3000 W. Rohmann Ave, West Peoria, on May 22nd, @ 9:30am to 12pm.

VII. Program Updates/Announcements:

- a. Group Connections for TIPs program presenting sign language class by Courtney Mighell on April 25th, from 1-2pm. Contact Brittany for more information.
- b. BHSROE has hired 3 new parent educators, adding their 2nd bilingual educator to their agency. This is freeing up their wait list and opening up availability.

*****Next LIC #45 meeting date: June 12th @ 9am location: TBD**

Purpose/Mission Statement of LIC #45

The Henry/Stark Counties Local Interagency Council functions within the Child and Family Connections (CFC) and its purpose is to promote a comprehensive, coordinated local early intervention service system to meet the developmental needs of children birth to 5 years of age and the needs of their families.

It is the council's belief that early intervention services in Henry and Stark Counties should be designed to fulfill this purpose by accepting, supporting and empowering young children and their families to become active participants in all facets of early intervention service delivery. This mission also includes the need to inform and educate the community about the availability of services and enhance public awareness regarding issues relevant to children with special needs.