

Local Interagency Council 16 Date: August 8th, 2018 Location: Crittenton Family Services Center

Minutes

I. Participants:

Tiera Hannah/BGC Sarah Chapman/Crittenton Joni Lyons/SFS Mary Peterson/PCCEO Roxanne Fleming/IDPH Tracey Arahood/Easterseals Erica Strunk/CFC 14 Laura Kelly/PSD150 Donna Ashley/TWHS Michelle Compton/PCCHD Chris Heider/iGrow Amber Ealey/TMCSEA Jim Runyon/Easterseals Michelle Harr/CFC14

II. Minutes from May 9th - Motion to approve:

1st- Joni 2nd Amber Minutes approved

III. Spotlight: Sarah Chapman, Crittenton Centers. Crittenton has been around since 1892. The three main divisions of Crittenton are the Crisis Nursery, Child Development Center, and Family Services. Crisis nursery provides free emergency and respite care 24/7, 365 days a year for children birth to 6 years of age. The Child Development Center provides quality child care and early education services for children 6 weeks to 6 years. Family Services provides a range of vital education and support programs for parents such as the Milestones Program, Stepping Stones for pregnant teens, and family advocacy support and classes.

IV. Committee Work/Budget:

- A. Erica presented the 2018-2019 LEA agreements to the council for review. Agreements will be sent to school districts for signatures.
- B. Due to the 3-month extension of grant, LIC has a budget of 1090.00 to spend by September 30th. After discussion and lots of ideas, the council motioned by Donna, 2nd by Amber, approved by all, voted to spend all of the total budget on the following items:
 - 1. Table top displays
 - 2. Tent and tent weights
 - 3. Projector and compatible Mac cord
 - 4. Spinning Wheel
 - 5. Cart

V. Jim Runyon, State of the State:

- A. The state released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the remaining 9 months of FY19. Easterseals is bidding for CFC 14 and CFC 16. Geographically, the coverage areas will remain the same for all 25 CFCs. The number of LICs and their budgets will remain the same as well. The biggest difference is the change in incentives (from 10 to 4) and penalties (from 4 to 2) the CFCs obtain. Jim is in the process of writing the rebid that is due by August 24th.
- B. Jim is a member of the Illinois Autism Task Force. They represent adults, teens, youth, and children on the autism spectrum to help improve services for them and their families. Anyone with questions or looking to be on their information sheet for services, please contact Jim.

VI. Michelle Harr/CFC Manager's Report:

- A. CFC 14 is hiring for service coordinators for Peoria, Henry, and Stark counties. Anyone interested, please apply at www.indeed.com or www.ci.easterseals.com .
- B. CFC 14 will be closed Monday, September 3rd for Labor Day.



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- C. The stats for FY18 show an overall doing very well. CFC 14 closed the fiscal year with 1,283 participants, more than ever before. Service delays are down to 4.24%, with an annual average of 8.37%. Intake to IFSP days are down to 26, compared to the allotted 45 days. The biggest struggle for CFC 14 has always been receiving younger referrals. The average age for FY18 was 597 days, just under the goal of <600 days.
- D. Case reviews are the 4th Tuesday every month at 10am. El credits are available, and usually transferrable to other CE hours. Please call, text, or email Michelle if you are interested in attending.

<u>Program Updates/Announcements/Upcoming Area Events:</u>

- 1. The 30th Annual Duck Race is Saturday, August 25th at the Eastside Center in East Peoria, beginning at 2pm. There is still time to purchase your ducks! Contact Joni for more information.
- 2. Easterseals wrapped its iCan Bike annual program. For the first time, 100% of the 20 participants could ride a bike by the end of the week.
- 3. The Learning Academy is a specialized private school for children K- 12 with behavior complications and generally all have autism. They have added a 5th classroom to help with the waitlist. Jim invited anyone interested in touring the facility to attend the up coming open house in September/October.
- 4. PCCEO is registering for Head Start @ Webster School (923 W. Millman). Children must be 3 by September 1st. Individuals can call (309)671-3960 for more info.
- 5. World Wide Day of Play is Saturday, September 8th at Glen Oak Park from 10 am to 2 pm.
- 6. IGrow meetings are the 3rd Wednesday each month. Please contact Chris Heider for more information at cheider@chail.org
- 7. Starnet is providing a training on Transition from IDEA part B to part C on September 14th @ Valeska Hinton. Visit www.starnet.org for more information.

Next LIC meeting September 12th, 2018 Location: Valeska Hinton ECEC 800 W. Romeo B Garrett Ave., Peoria, Il 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.