



Local Interagency Council 16  
Date: August 12th, 2015 @ Noon  
Location: Easter Seals, 507 E. Armstrong, Peoria, IL

## Minutes

### I. Participants:

Marsha Streicher, CFC/LIC  
Erin Stout/Peoria Co. Bright Futures  
Jamie Capitelli/Crittenton Center  
Tracey Arahood/Easter Seals  
Joni Lyons/HOI-SFS  
Erica Strunk/CFC #14  
Katie VanCleve, Parent

Cara Murdock, SAL/CCC  
Awisi Quartey/intern from Illinois  
Marianne House, PCC/Health Dept.  
Gary Reed/CFC #14  
Gene Seaman/HRA  
Julie Herzog/TC Health Dept.

### II. Minutes from June 10th

1<sup>st</sup> motion: Julie H.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Gene S.

Minutes approved.

### III. Spotlight from Gene Seaman/Human Rights Authority

Gene shared information about the Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission. This agency is made up of 9 regional Authorities around the state. They investigate alleged violations of the rights of disabled persons, any age birth to death. The person whose rights may have been violated do not need to have a legal disability to qualify for eligibility for help. They do not provide guardianships but will help support achieving guardianships. Gene is the only state employee in the Human Rights division. The HRA is the division that investigates and is assisted by volunteer advocates. There are 9 people on the board that investigate the allegations. 3 of those people are service providers, and the others are members of the community. The HRA is not an enforcement organization. They make suggestions how to solve the situation. The provider has 30 days to respond with how they are going to correct the situation, and if they neglect to remedy the problem, the HRA can make the allegations public, or turn the complaint over to the licensing department in charge of that provider, such as the Dept. of Public Health, ISBE, etc.

### IV. FonDuLac Farm Park Report: The family activity was well attended and enjoyed by the EI and PI families. Water bottles and fish crackers were provided to adults and children after their farm park visit. Appreciation for the activity was expressed by many of the families attending.

### V. Budget and Binders/Report:

a. Binders were distributed in Peoria, Tazewell and Woodford Counties. Appreciation was expressed by many of the receiving medical facilities.

b. The next round of binders have been purchased and will be assembled for area daycare centers.

d. LIC monies for 2015 have been spent on postage, colored ink, paper, 20 binders and on radio spots to advertise the CFC/LIC services. Gary is waiting to air those radio spots until after the CFC's financial situation is settled. The CFC/LIC does not know how much money we may have in the FY2016.

### VI. LIC 16/Manager's Report/Gary Reed

a. Jim R. was unable to attend but shared some "State of the State" notes through Gary. The state is deadlocked and no movement has occurred. There is an unprecedented gulf between our Governor and the Speaker of the House. Jim also noted that only 20% of state agencies are not funded at this time, unfortunately the CFC is part of that 20%. The CFC is currently operating under a line of credit that was obtained by Easter Seals. When that line of credit runs out, the CFC may have to go on another furlough until further funding becomes available. It is not too late to ADVOCATE! At this time, the CFC is open, and all



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referrals should go through the CFC office. Everyone will be notified if the office does shut down again.

- b. Referrals: June 2014-94      July 2014-88  
                  June 2015-95      July 2015-84

147 cases were closed in June 2015, which is a larger than normal # of closures, most were due to the child aging out of the program.

- c. The CFC has discontinued the use of the U of I Consultative services for medical case reviews. Mary Beth A. and Tina A. have moved to new positions. Malinda Radloff is the new Consultative Physician.

#### VII. Committees: Group Discussion & Reports:

- a. Transition Committee-update current flow chart to ensure it is current and create a more detailed, local flow chart for local options.
- b. Provider Recruitment-make a list of providers that are not currently in Early Intervention, contact them to see if they would be willing to give EI a try. Use the list of agencies so new graduates can look at the area providers. Locate neutral sites for providers to work in rather than homes. Contact agencies that hire new interns, introduce the interns to EI services.
- c. Public Awareness-use Facebook, keep it current. Suggestions made on what could go on the LIC Facebook page. Developmental milestone posters distributed to Health Depts., WIC offices, food pantry's, etc.
- d. Parent Group-parent café, this fall, with a topic of Transitions after 0-3. Marsha will contact area libraries to see if we can use some of their space to meet.

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

- a. Heart of Illinois/Safe from the Start Coalition will meet on Monday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, 10-11:30 and will have 2 special speakers, Special Agent Eric Bowers from the US Department of Homeland Security and Kim Penna, Victim Assistance Specialist. They will present "Preventing Online Child Exploitation" Please contact Joni L. if you plan to attend so she can provide enough chairs
- b. The Center for the Prevention of Abuse has its annual Duck Race, which is their major fundraiser. It is Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at noon at the EastSide Center.
- c. Community Resource Fair at the Neighborhood House, 1020 S. Matthew St., Peoria, Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 10-2
- d. World Wide Day of Play, Saturday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> in Glen Oak Park, 11-3.
- e. Fall PEP day, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Valeska Hinton, There will 4-5 breakout sessions in the AM & PM. Registration will be online.
- f. AOK- Safe Sleep Posters are completed and ready to be distributed. Contact Julie Herzog if you want some.
- g. AOK- upcoming Bridges out of Poverty trainings. Poverty Café: Assumptions & Stigma, August 20<sup>th</sup> 9-12 or Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 (attend 1) Location: Pekin Public Library, register: [lritchason@ci.pekin.il.us](mailto:lritchason@ci.pekin.il.us); Poverty Simulation, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 9-12 or October 5<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm (attend 1). Facilitated by Ill. Central College, registration coming soon; Bridges out of Poverty Workshop; October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8-5 at Pekin Public Library, registration coming soon.
- h. AOK- New Family Yellow pages booklet are available through Julie Herzog
- i. Home Visitors Network will meet on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at TW Head Start, 11:30-1:00. LeAnne Daniels from the Center for Prevention of Abuse will speak on what home visitors may see/hear while in homes and what should be reported. RSVP to Marsha at [mstreicher@cicfc.org](mailto:mstreicher@cicfc.org) if you plan to attend

Next LIC meeting: Wednesday, September 9th

Location: The Center for Prevention of Abuse, 720 Joan Court, Peoria

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



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### 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.