

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Instructions: [F-01922A](#)

Name of Governmental Body: Governor's Birth to 3 Program ICC Council		Attending: Council Members: Julie Walsh (Chair); Jennifer Bibler; Lisa Roberts; Laura Holmes; Kristine Nadolski; Rosemarie Navarro-Red Hail; Terri Wixom and Deb Rathemel; Ginger Brath; Lisa Subeck; Linda Hall.	
Date: 10/21/2020	Time Started: 9:02 a.m.	Time Ended: 2:20 p.m.	Public Attendees: Starr Burke; Suzi Wolf; Rebecca (Becky) Hoffman; Alicia Stensberg DHS/BCS State Staff: Jamye Chapman, Langston Hughes; Autumn Knudtson; Regena Floyd-Sambou; Dana Romary; Clara de La Garza; Lori Wittemann; Laura Grulke-Rueter; Tara Sommersberger; Dan Kramarz and Kate Johnson; Kelsey Vincent; Lydia Essenmacher; Alyssa Zirk; Kathryn Van Hampler; Nicole Miller; Laura Hanson;
Location: Wisconsin Department of Health Services Building, 1 W. Wilson St., Room 751, Madison, WI or Zoom		Presiding Officer: Julie Walsh, Council Chairperson	

Minutes

Welcome/Introductions and Announcements: Julie Walsh, Chair

- Call to Order, Greetings and Introductions of current and 3 new Council members, guest presenters and Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) staff.

Public Comments:

- None

Operational:

- Approval of July 22, 2020, Draft Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Terri Wixom; seconded by Rosemarie Navarro-Red Hail to approve minutes. Motion passed unanimously. (handout)

Briefing and Council Input

- Health Equity Information and Discussion
 - Presentation was provided by DHS staff regarding racial equity as it relates to government health care systems and supports and services provided by family support programs like the Birth to 3 Program. Discussion included what outcomes are important to best change social determinants of health for families served by these programs.
 - Council members provided input about what racial equity efforts can be implemented in the program to ensure families of diverse racial backgrounds are being supported equitably and more effectively.
- Birth to 3 Program Access Discussion
 - DHS staff provided information about an upcoming public service announcement (PSA) campaign to support child find efforts within the program and increase awareness and understanding of program operations by referral network partners. Audiences include families, physicians, child care and DCF partners, and family advocacy agencies. These materials and efforts are in the initial phases of development.
 - Council members shared other considerations, provided input and feedback about important messaging and shared recommendations for additional audiences and stakeholders including collaboration with the Well Badger Resource Center and “lived experience” family focus groups.

- BCS staff provided a draft template and information about the new “All in for Kids: Birth to 3 Program Family Newsletter.” First publication and distribution of the newsletter is targeted for November and includes articles to promote referrals, completion of the Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Family Outcome Survey and to support families in communication with their primary care providers.
 - Council members provided ideas for future topics and articles. Members recommended identifying methods for helping families read and understand the newsletter as well as making the newsletter publically available and distributed for posting in shelters and other agencies serving the community.

DHS Updates: Deb Rathermel (Bureau of Children’s Services)

- Social-Emotional Innovation Grant Status and Presentations
 - Bureau of Children’s Services (BCS) staff provided background information about the development of the Social Emotional Innovation Grants, application process, ongoing reporting activities and participation requirements for grantees. Two county programs shared information about their grant activities and strategies for improving social emotional development for children and families in their programs.
- Survey Briefing and Council Discussion
 - Alicia Stensberg from MetaStar, the DHS-contracted health care quality improvement organization, presented information about the Birth to 3 Program: Program Review Protocol, a process to understand the quality and impact of Birth to 3 Program services statewide. Each county program experiences a review conducted by MetaStar staff, as an independent review agency. Alicia presented detail about:
 - Content reviewed as part of the pilot year from July 2019 to June 2020 including: family engagement, evidenced based practices, child outcomes, social and emotional practices, and BCS priority areas of access, inclusion and transition, and
 - Focus topics for 2021 administration of the protocol, including IFPS child outcomes, family engagement including racial equity and rights, social emotional practices and transition.
 - Council members provided feedback on the areas of scope of the review.
 - BCS staff shared overview of results from the ECO Family Outcomes Survey, highlighting areas of strengths and areas of opportunities for improvement for family outcomes in the Birth to 3 Program. Areas included access to information, family support, and participation in the community.
 - Council members provided feedback about potential barriers preventing families from being or feeling supported with transitions or being connected to information and the community.

Next Meeting Steps:

- PowerPoint Presentations from 10/21/2020 presentations will be sent electronically to council members and attendees.
- DHS will send background information to all council members prior to the January meeting to orient new members to the Birth to 3 Program Annual Performance Report (APR) and federal compliance and results indicators.

The next ICC meeting will be held on January 27, 2021. Remote meeting forum will be available.

Motion made by Laura Holmes; seconded by Rosemarie Navarro-Red Hail to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

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