

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Name of Governmental Body: Wisconsin Governor’s Birth to 3 Program Interagency Coordinating Council		Attending: Virginia Brath, Provider (Chair); Jennifer Bibler, Department of Public Instruction (DPI)/Early Childhood Special Education; Jaci Borchardt, Provider; Rachel Cissne Carabell, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI); Linda Hall, Department of Health Services (DHS)/Office of Children’s Mental Health; Lisa Hankes, Department of Children and Families (DCF); Laura Holmes, Child Care; Kristine Nadolski, DPI/McKinney-Vento; Rosemarie Navarro-Red Hail, Parent; Deb Rathermel, DHS/Division of Medicaid Services; Lisa Subeck, State Representative/Legislator; Trisha Wicinsky, County Representative; Theresa Wixom, Parent Council Members Excused: Public Attendess:Kayley Brescia State Staff: Clara De La Garza (BCS), Regena Floyd-Sambou (BCS), Lori Wittemann (BCS), Nancy Bills (BCS), Matt Rundle (BCS), Tessa Freedberg (BCS), David Sorensen (BCS), Becky Hoffman (RESouce), Dr. Aryn Slack (RESouce), Michelle Davies (RESouce), Dr. Jessica Weiler, (RESouce), Lana Edwards, (RESouce)
Date: 11/2/2022	Time Started: 9:00 a.m. Time Ended: 11:45 a.m.	
Location: Zoom Conference Call		Presiding Officer: Virginia Brath

Minutes

Public Comments

- No public comments given

General Business

Approve Meeting Minutes from August 24, 2022

- Laura Holmes motioned to approve; Jaelyn Borchardt seconded. Motion passed.

Member Updates and Announcements

- Virginia Brath (new ICC Chair)
- Rachel Cissne Carabell, Deputy Commissioner, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (new ICC Member)
- Trisha Wicinsky (new ICC Member)

Early Intervention Fundamentals 101 – Becky Hoffman/RESouce Team

- Becky Hoffman opened the discussion/presentation with an overview of the Foundations of the Birth to 3 Program along with Dr. Aryn Slack.
- Shared the four components of Birth to 3 Program:
 1. Legal foundation
 2. Universal mission and Key Principles
 3. Recommended practices
 4. What early intervention (EI) looks like in Wisconsin
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C and DHS 90 regulatory framework
- Shared Mission and Seven Key Principles (Looks Like & Doesn’t Look Like) of EI, derived from a national workgroup of researchers and practitioners.
- Brief reference to the Division for Early Childhood (DEC) Recommended Practices (RP).

- Council questions and discussion
- Next Steps: determine additional uses for this and similar orientation materials.

Child Outcomes Discussion (Matt Rundle)

- Matt Rundle provided the background on the federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) indicator 3 “Child Outcomes.”
- Indicator 3 indicator has been in decline for the past four years but also occurring nationwide. Wisconsin trend was mirroring the nation; however, is still below the national average.
- Indicator 3 decline remains a Bureau of Children’s Services (BCS) top priority.
- Birth to 3 Programs reported five factors impacting Indicator 3 decline.
 1. Workforce shortage and turnover
 2. Lack of funding and resources
 3. Impacts of the pandemic
 4. Unknow or inconsistent EI practices
 5. More accurate outcome ratings
- There have been several projects and initiatives implemented in an effort to reverse the downward trend with Child Outcomes with a particular focus on social emotional development (Outcome 1).
- This will remain a top priority for the Birth to 3 Program.
- Review of the most recent Child Outcome results.
 - All three Child Outcomes are showing a positive increase.

Data Dashboard Review

- Counties can now access their annual Determinations, Child Outcomes, and annual performance review (APR) on the Wisconsin Birth to 3 webpage.
- Matt walked through how to locate county Determinations results, Child Outcomes data, and identified Child Outcome related resources.
- Matt demonstrated how to navigate the new interactive Child Outcomes webpage.

Infant Mental Health Consultation (IMHC) and Social and Emotional Development (Clara De La Garza and Tessa Freedberg)

- Partnering with UW Capstone with this project
- This is a two-part project pilot.
 - Part 1: Five counties piloting IMHC as an individualized family service plan (IFSP) team member
 - Part 2: Statewide child level IMHC consulting pilot for selected cases from Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) referral.
- Both pilots run through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding September 2023.

IMHC National Technical Assistance Cohort

- Cross-state cohort with eight other states
- Cohort 1
- This project is sponsored through Early Child Technical Assistance (ECTA), which is supported through OSEP
- Four overall key objectives
 - Learn from national leaders about Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health (IECMH) policies and practices
 - Build partnerships with state agencies to promote and align IECMH
 - Develop short term and long-term action plan to implement IECMH
 - Learn about the experiences and efforts of other states

2023 ICC Council Priorities

- Jacci Borchardt – Mental health consultation and exploration to the “model”
- Jacci Borchardt – Learn more about how children with sensory delays and to improve access to the Birth to 3 Program
- ARPA

- Quality EI practices
- Funding
- Racial health equity in EI programs
- Workforce issues
- Child Outcomes to be a reoccurring topic/focus
- January 2023: the ICC will include a walkthrough of the APR prior to submission.

Wrap Up

Future 2023 Meeting Schedule:

- January 25
- March 8
- May 12 (Circles of Life Conference)
- October 18

Motion to adjourn: Linda Hall motioned to adjourn, Rosemarie Navarro-Red Hail seconded

Prepared by: Dana Romary on 11/2/2022.

