

# Pollywog Update #9

A peek at what is happening...

Date 6/9/17 A system of support for prenatal parents & families with children, age 0-5

Progress	Contact Information
<p><b>What are the pieces of the Pollywog Project?</b> There are various sections of Pollywog:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration for prenatal/parenting classes</li> <li>• Referral to agencies for requested services</li> <li>• Local resource information &amp; reminders</li> <li>• Ages &amp; Stages (ASQ) summary page tracking with Regional Health Information Collaborative (RHIC)</li> </ul> <p>Class registration and referrals are two modules within the Vistalogic database that are being fine-tuned to meet our project needs. We are currently discussing how we might provide local resources and reminders to parents as well as support the ASQ tracking with RHIC. Each section includes various phases of analysis, design, construction, testing and review.</p>	<p>Cathy Corkery Pollywog Project Specialist 541-917-4883 <a href="mailto:corkerc@linnbenton.edu">corkerc@linnbenton.edu</a> <a href="mailto:cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org">cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org</a></p> <p>LeAnne Trask Pollywog Database &amp; Media Specialist 541-917-4949 <a href="mailto:Leanne.trask@pollywogfamily.org">Leanne.trask@pollywogfamily.org</a></p> <p>Sheri Branigan Family Connections Pollywog Consultant 541-917-4884 <a href="mailto:Sheri.branigan@pollywogfamily.org">Sheri.branigan@pollywogfamily.org</a></p> <p>Website: <a href="https://pollywogfamily.org/">https://pollywogfamily.org/</a> Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PollywogFamily/">https://www.facebook.com/PollywogFamily/</a></p>
<p><b>Database Simulation Meeting Summary</b></p> <p>LeAnne Trask, the Database Specialist, hosted a meeting with the pilot project participants to move them through a case study simulation. The participants logged their case study parents into the website and learned how they could sign them up for classes and refer them to services. Valuable information was learned through this process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical details to increase database accessibility and use-ability</li> <li>• Ensuring agencies have updated descriptions, hours and locations in 211</li> <li>• Ensuring agencies have determined which service categories will be linked</li> </ul>	<p><b>Important Dates</b></p> <p><b>Linn County Pollywog Partner Meeting</b></p> <p>---Revised Meeting date---</p> <p>Date- Thursday, June 22, 2017 Time- 8:30-10:00 am Location – Luckiamute Bld. LBCC</p>

to their agency within Vistalogic (LeAnne Trask has the list of the service categories that you can request)

Next steps include:

- Understanding how the license and floating licenses work with Vistalogic
- Mapping out how the referral process will work when an agency's main contact needs to relay the referral information to other departments and/or locations

### **Lincoln County Meet & Greet**

On Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> Lincoln County Public Health graciously hosted a meet and greet meeting with Cathy Corkery, the Pollywog Specialist. The Pollywog Management Team and interested community partners attended; providing a robust conversation about the Pollywog Project and the initial steps for the implementation process in Lincoln County.

Pollywog Management Team:

- Jerri Wolfe- LBCC Parenting Education and Director of Family Connections.
- Kristi May- Director of the Early Learning Hub
- Leanne Trask – Database Specialist
- Sheri Branigan – Family Connections Consultant
- Cathy Corkery- Pollywog Specialist

Next Steps:

- Update agency information with 211
- Work with LeAnne Trask to identify service categories that match each partner agency
- Share community mapping outcomes in Autumn, 2017
- Develop scenario mapping for referrals in Autumn, 2017
- Use Basecamp as a communication tool – Parents Together

## Snapshot of the Week – Video Clips

**Don't miss this  
OPPORTUNITY**

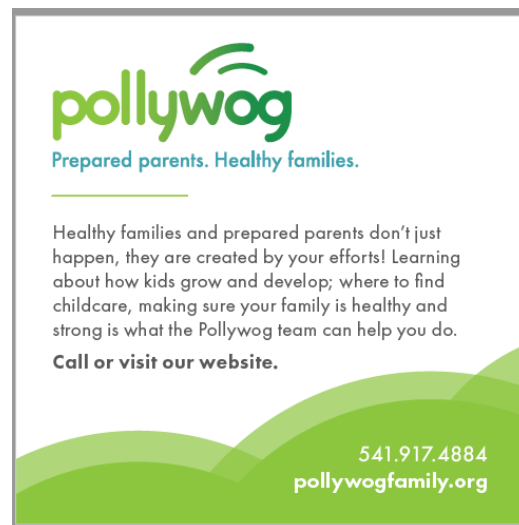


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## FYI & Requests

The Pollywog Updates are archived at: <http://lblearlylearninghub.org/partner-materials/>

Would you like marketing cards? The cards come with 4 different messages and are available double-sided in English & Spanish. Let us know how many & the best way to deliver: [cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org](mailto:cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org)



## Stories from the Field

Cathy Corkery-Pollywog Specialist:

I went on the road this month to experience a few LBCC Parenting Education Classes.

- *Together Class*
- *Live and Learn with your Baby*
- *Live and Learn with your Toddler*

What I observed was how valuable these classes are for the little ones and their parents. The parents shared how great it was to have undistracted one-on-one time with their child, be able to meet other parents that share the same experience, and how informational the classes have been for them and their child.

What was unique to me was how the child knew that the class was a special time for them and their parent. I loved seeing how the child would light up with a big smile as they came into the class full of friends and sensory objects/activities that they got to explore; all within the attentiveness of their parents. Wow!

Through research we know how important strong relationships are for building emotional/social health and resiliency and this was a great example of building and nurturing the parent/child relationship at a very early age. With the development of the Pollywog Project we hope to increase the awareness and accessibility of local parenting education classes for all parents. Thanks LBCC for letting me experience a few of your classes!