

Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties

Work Group Day Meeting Minutes

MEETING COMMENCED	9:00am, November 10, 2016 LBL-ESD, Albany
MEETING CALLED BY	Kristi May
WORK GROUP MEMBERS PRESENT	Lynn Hall, Jerri Wolfe, Jake Rodriguez, MiaKai Moua, Cindy Bond, Renee Smith, Autumn Belloni, Kris Wessel, Barb Dougherty, Rich Waller, Alicia McWilliams
VERSION	Final

Agenda topics

DISCUSSION ITEM	Introduction and Welcome
Welcome to everyone who is in attendance today.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Vroom Update
We have lots of materials that have just arrived. If you need materials, please put in your request.	
We have been asked to stay on as a representative of Vroom for our region, and it came with a little more money. So we'll be purchasing more materials, based on the needs of our region.	
If there are any resources that you would like to see more of, please let us know.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Kindergarten Partnership & Innovation Funding (KPI)
We have morphed the KPI group into the Pre-K/K-12 Work Group.	
We were recently accepted to attend the P-3 Conference in Seattle with a group of representatives from the Hub, both rural and urban. We were the only Hub invited from the state of Oregon, and one of 14 from across the nation.	
We had a great experience and got lots of great information. There was information from the Institute that touched one things that each person who attended could relate to and gained something from.	
We learned that everyone is in such different places, but that our situation is unique. We have the right group of people participating, we just need to bring in more partners to get our boots on the ground at the schools to begin piloting some initiatives.	
Because of our attendance at this Conference, we've been asked to present at the State's P-3 Conference in a panel discussion about how we have been making P-3 work in our region.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Early Childhood Coordinating Council Update (ECCC) (Renee Smith)
There is an upcoming ECCC meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 8, at the Newport Library, Entee Room, from 10-12:00pm.	
At that meeting we will be mapping services in Lincoln County, as we bring ECCC partners together. We don't want to duplicate, but rather strategically fill in the gaps. There will also be a demonstration of the Pollywog website and portal so that everyone has a clear understanding about what it will do for them.	
We're hoping to invite partners who generally don't come to meetings because we need their input.	

There was a P-3 meeting in Newport earlier this week, and it was discussed there that we need Lincoln County partners to attend the ECCC meeting.
This group still needs to figure out some projects that will help us to align our services better between the counties.
The Hub Procurement Policy was updated at the October Governing Board meeting, and it was emphasized that we want recommendations from the Work Groups for sole source procurement. We don't want people to compete for funds (RFA), but rather find agencies that can fill the gaps and invite them to apply for funding. We want to identify who could best do the work.
The mapping project will help to free up agencies to not worry about filling a gap because another agency is filling that gap. Plus 211 and the Pollywog project will be greatly helped by that information.

DISCUSSION ITEM	Health Care Integration Update (HCI) (Lynn Hall)
The HCI applied for a Transformation grant from the IHN-CCO to use the Lincoln County START training to replicate the training in Benton and Linn Counties. Bettina wrote the Letter of Intent, and got us on the board with the IHN-CCO.	
The IHN-CCO pulled our application out of the competition, and asked us to use some of the current \$300,000 funding that is assigned to the Hub for this project. We decided that we have the funding available, and we are going to go ahead with the project.	
We have three goals with the project:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide the START training (by Oregon Rural Practice-Based Research Network – ORPRN) to strengthen referrals to LBL-ESD. Includes technical assistance for 6 months and training by a physician. Several hundred physicians are in need of this training. - Strengthen referrals to EI/ECSE. Increase ASQs billings by IHN-CCO providers. Getting lots more children referred, but LBL-ESD hasn't found an increase in funding to compensate for the new referrals. Might need to look at how we can help LBL meet the new needs. And the evaluation piece of the referral is actually the responsibility of the school districts, which is increasing their costs too. We are hoping that the IHN-CCO will financially assist in this new environment. A lot of kids also don't qualify for LBL services, but the Pollywog Project will allow us to track the child and help us to keep apprised of whether they are getting services or not. We also have ICCP funds that will allow us to work with kids that don't qualify for LBL services—lots of people don't know about ICCP and what services they offer. - Ensure that the initiative is self-sustaining. Train our own physicians and clinic staff to run the START training. 	
ORPRN will be coming to Benton County to hold a meeting on January 9, 2017 with interested HCI members to discuss their training and what they can do for us.	
RHIC (Regional Health Information Collaborative) will be assisting us (early childhood partners) to pilot transfer of ASQs info into the RHIC system so that medical providers have access to the information collected by other agencies. Early childhood partners are currently completing ASQs, but most of them don't end up in a medical provider's hands where the child can be referred for services.	
We don't have a roll-out date yet, but we are working on it.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Data & Evaluation (D&E) (Jerri Wolfe, Rich Waller)
The D&E has been working for the last several months to put data into a more accessible format. Anna and LeAnne have been creating PowToons and other presentation materials, and the Hub has now created their own YouTube Channel so that we have a place to present that information for our partner's use.	
The three PowToon videos that Anna created were shared with the group, as well as a rudimentary explanation of how to use the YouTube Channel.	
One partner felt that the language was a little bit negative as it described children falling behind. We could look at making the wording more positive.	
One of the things that the PowToon emphasizes is that we are "even" with the state in our Kindergarten Assessment numbers; however, are the state levels what we are aspiring to? We want to do better than the state.	

We also want to make sure that we are sure that we are telling a compelling story of the work that needs to be done in our area.
The third episode could use a final slide that talks about what our next steps are and how we will be layering our data to figure out exactly where we need to invest.
The Quarterly Summary Report that we handed out at the meeting will become a quarterly function of the D&E Group.
One of the data pieces from that Summary Report is that we see that most of our QRIS funding money is going to licensed facilities. If we really want to improve the condition of children in childcare, we need to work to improve the non-licensed facilities as well.
We will be trying to use the Director's Update every month to notify partners that there is new information on the YouTube Channel.
Family Tree Relief Nursery would like to see if the child abuse rates from the state could be included on the Summary Report.
The next D&E meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2017 from 9:30-11:30 at the OSU Extension Services office in Newport.
The Hub has volunteered to be the pilot for the state with the equity report, and we'll be using our Intern and the D&E Committee to help to develop that.

DISCUSSION ITEM	Pollywog Project Update (Kris Wessel)
	Overview Update: this project has been difficult for partners to understand, but we want you to know that we are making progress and have some concrete pieces to show to you.
	The Madison Avenue Collective (the MAC) has been working with us to create media pieces and a website portal to the VistaLogic database.
	VistaLogic has 900 modules that we could choose from for them to create our database, and we are now working with them to customize our modules.
	One of the most exciting pieces is that we have Klint Peterson from RHIC (a dashboard for medical providers) working with us and helping us to create a system that will work with RHIC.
	We have an evaluation team that have helped us to set milestones, assess quality, develop a communication plan, and establish timelines. There are seats at the table from each of the organizations that are involved, and the team has worked well together. They will also be monitoring the roll-out and pilots, and our collaboration with partners.
	The CCO has provided us with six tablets for our partners to use as they enter data into the system.
	Also, we now have a 211 engagement person, Jake Rodriguez, because of the Pollywog project and our need to make information more available to partners.
	Kris spent a day visiting with the Tribe in Siletz, and had the opportunity to introduce the Pollywog to them. They had a special request: they want to add oral health to Pollywog, and we are working to make that inclusion.
	One of the things we realized is that we have things to show people, and we need to get that information out to more people. We have decided to create a webinar (which we will post on our new YouTube Channel!), and it will be helpful to us if our partners could let us know what would be helpful for you to know, specifically. We'll give an overview of the project and where we are, but we'd like to include additional information that will be helpful to our partners. We will not be replacing any services or organizations. We will be helping to align services, as our state mandate
	Kris then gave a presentation about the new Pollywog website:
	- There is a mobile version of this website.
	- This is the "face" of the Pollywog, and our partners will work on the back-end.
	- The gray block at the bottom of each screen is the portal VistaLogic.
	- People can refer themselves or can enter their information on the screen and get a call.
	- LeAnne will be the person that you contact with updates and additions to the website information, as well as the Facebook page, etc.

We would like to show you the VistaLogic portal, but we are getting close on time. We will do it at another meeting and in our webinar.

DISCUSSION ITEM	Hub Updates
Formal Hub Visit - we will be getting our Site Visit from the state in February, and they have said that they will be contacting some of our partners to review with them how we are doing.	
Incentive Metrics RFP – the state has just discovered that they are going to have to open this up for RFP in order for Hubs to get the 5% of their funds that they held back. We feel strongly that we are well situated to receive all of our funds back, but some Hubs may not get their full 5% back based on the proposed process. The state has also instituted a policy that if this process doesn't work because of time constraints, all Hubs will get their 5% back.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Partner Sharing
211 – Jake has been tasked with visiting with all of the local resources and see what is happening with them. Showing them how to use the 211 database and updating their information. We need to help 211 to get their feet on the ground and updating their source information. Met with United Way staff in Benton and Linn counties yesterday, and got to know them and their staff. If you hear of anything, let Jake know! Ultimately Pollywog will be a resource on the 211 system, and we will need to gather all the information that we can to help with building both systems.	

NEXT MEETING	TBD
Our next meeting will be held in _____ County.	
MEETING ADJOURNED	12:09pm