

Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties

Parent Engagement Work Group Meeting Minutes

MEETING COMMENCED	10:00am, October 24, 2017 Old Mill Center, Corvallis
MEETING CALLED BY	Shirley Blake
WORK GROUP MEMBERS PRESENT	Aoife Magee, Nodabi Morales, Cheryl French, Laura Lundeen
VERSION	Final
RECORDED?	Yes

Agenda topics

DISCUSSION ITEM	Recap on EL Hub Conference
The Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties hosted their first annual conference on October 20, 2017.	
The Hub invited attendees from each of the six sectors in our region and out of the area.	
Most of the attendees reside or work in our region.	
We plan to brainstorm future opportunities to better market and publicize the conference next year.	
The follow-up conference survey might give us ideas for topics for next year.	
Add “How did you hear about this conference?” to the follow-up conference survey.	
The group discusses adding local data to the presentations to tie the theory to real-life work in our region.	
Laura Lundeen suggests marketing the conference toward feeder preschools and K-12 teachers so they can share professional development.	
Shirley suggests incorporating an ELL topic.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Absenteeism Project
Shirley and Lynn attended the National Governors Association (NGA) and the Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) community consultation in Lincoln County. Oregon and four other states were chosen to receive a planning grant.	
Lynn posted Lincoln County Immunization Rates document on basecamp.	
Debra Jones, Lola, the Health Department, Alisa Lane from the Tribe, Reconnections Counseling, Head Start, Community Services, Kevin from DHS, and others (14 attendees total) attended from Lincoln County.	
Lincoln County is one of five counties in the state of Oregon selected for consultation.	

DISCUSSION ITEM	Immunizations Adopted from Health Care Integration
Julie Manning from Samaritan requests that the Parent Engagement Work Group look into immunizations.	
Immunization rates are posted on basecamp.	
Lynn requests feedback from the Work Group regarding their contribution to increasing immunization rates.	

Immunizations must happen on time to meet Two-Year-Olds Immunization Rates requirements.
Shirley suggests incorporating education into the Parent Engagement Work Group.
Immunization rates for Oregon preschools are posted on their websites.
Cheryl is curious about the data on families who have all immunizations complete by Kindergarten, but who also don't have each immunization done "on track."
The group discusses roadblocks to lowering child obesity, such as food stamps, access to fresh produce, lack of cooking experience or knowledge.
OHA's website is a good resource for immunizations. Lynn agrees to post the url on bas ecamp.
Pollywog can assist in informing parents about required immunizations.
Kristi suggests creating PowToons that presents immunization information (myth verses reality) in a parent-friendly way.
Cheryl reminds the group that vaccinations have a broader reach than the immediate community, such as getting a whooping cough vaccine before visiting a newborn baby in the hospital.
Kristi and Shirley are curious about the CCO metric for immunizations. Children who become ill and need to reschedule their immunizations, but have them done by Kindergarten, are considered off-track.
Shirley suggests researching the immunizations with the lowest completion rates in order to form education around it.
Children enrolled in DMAP Oregon are CCO clients, which means our lowest numbers come from non-CCO clients.
Shirley compares Lincoln and Benton Counties Two-Year-Olds Immunization Rates documents.
Kristi reminds the group about incorporating the Pollywog Pathways module.

NEXT MEETING	TBA
MEETING ADJOURNED	11:22am