

Pollywog Update

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It's "Tabling Season"!

Over the last couple of months, the Pollywog staff has been invited to a variety of resource fairs in our region, and we have made every attempt to comply with those requests, and sometimes we have had to "stretch" a little bit to figure out HOW to accommodate those requests.

In April we attended the "Child Abuse Awareness Fair" --outside, in a driving rain storm--and gave an address on the steps of the County Courthouse with the Mayor!



We also attended the YMCA Family Appreciate Fair, and helped children to make crowns at our table.



In May we attended the Heart-to-Heart Resource Fair at the Boys & Girls Club, for Homeless and Low-Income families. We handed-out Pollywog water bottles and Vroom fruit snacks, in addition to resource information.



What's Happening

- ✓ The next Pollywog Partner Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, June 13, 2019, from 9-10:30am, in LM-130 at the Luckiamute Center on the LBCC campus. A calendar invitation will be sent out this week to the listserv. At the meeting, we will have a representative from Healthy Families speak to us about what they do and the services they provide. We will also be discussing system updates, and our new 211 Community Engagement Coordinator will be in attendance.
- ✓ Currently there are 858 individuals in the Pollywog database, 42 prenatal, parenting education, and children's activities available, including 6 taught in Spanish.

It takes a lot of effort to attend these events, and to come away feeling like we made a difference. Pollywog is lucky to have a great staff that works hard and gives their best effort, every time. We have a couple more resource fairs that we have agreed to participate in, and we'll continue to give our best through the end of the season.

211's New Community Engagement Coordinator for LBL Area

At the June 13 Pollywog Partner meeting we will be introducing our new Parent Engagement Coordinator for Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties, but since that is still a few weeks away, I thought it might be nice to get you her contact information:

Shannon Rose
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Shannon has jumped right into the work and has been visting with 211 partners in east Linn County, and offering to help update their information, or in some cases, get them set-up in the 211info system. It's also great to see her at Resource Fairs around the area too!



Pollywog Training Update

In order to help our partners keep up-to-date with the status of other partners, we have decided to create a section in each Pollywog Update that gives a quick run-down on where partners are in the on-boarding process, and who is available to refer to right now:

Partners who have signed MOUs and have staff trained to work in Pollywog:

Old Mill Center / Healthy Families
Old Mill Center / Preschool & Counseling
Samaritan Albany General Hospital
Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital
Family Connections
Kidco Head Start
Community Doulas
Oregon Department of Human Services (Family Coaches - no incoming referrals)
Family Tree Relief Nursery
Linn County Health Department
Women, Infants & Children (WIC)

Partners waiting for training:

Community Services Consortium
GAPS/Welcome Center

Partners waiting to sign MOUs:

Early Intervention

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