Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties Health Care Integration Work Group Meeting Minutes

MEETING COMMENCED	9:30 am, December 12, 2023 Online Via Zoom
MEETING CALLED BY	Deanna Barclay
PRESENTERS	Melissa Murphy, Benton County Health Department
WORKGROUP MEMBERS PRESENT	Andrea Bartell, Belit Burke, Deanna Barclay, Georgia Smith, Karen Weiner, Karol Elizondo, Laurie Barajas, Many Clark, Melisa Murphy, Mike Jerpbak, Monica Boylan Shelagh Baird, Stephen March
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT	Connie Adams, Kristi Collins, Antonia Huerta, Sam Rounsavell, Carmen Santacruz, Kelly Schell, Leanne Trask
RECORDED	Yes

Agenda Topics

Discussion Item	Welcome and Introductions
Workgroup members introduced themselves.	

Special Presentation	Melissa Murphy, CPST, CHW
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Melissa is a Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) and Certified Community Health Worker (CHW) with the Benton County Health Department. She gave a child passenger safety and injury prevention presentation to the workgroup. Her presentation began with videos about installing car seats and distracted driving.

She shared statistics and safety data on car seat safety. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), two out of every three car seats are misused. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death and injuries for children, and education and proper use of car seats help save lives and prevent injuries and death. She shared local ODOT data on child passenger traffic crashes with injuries or death.

She shared information on why car seats work and about the LATCH system. LATCH stands for Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children. CPSTs use a manual for the proper use of the LATCH system. It includes general advice and new and updated manufacturer instructions about specific child seats and vehicles.

She discussed how to use and install car seats, including information on:

- common errors
- the decision to have the child rear or forward-facing
- the benefit of booster seats
- the benefit of lap and shoulder belts
- safety recalls

She explained the new alarming trend of counterfeit and non-approved car seats. Some have been spotted in our region. These can be hard for parents to identify.

Melissa shared information and photos from Benton County car seat safety outreach events.

The workgroup asked Melissa about resources for grandparents who use car seats infrequently. They also asked questions about car seat expiration dates. Car seats tend to have a life of six to ten years.

Sam shared that Pollywog has been working with Melissa on the January parent newsletter focusing on car seat safety. It will be published on the first Monday in January.

The workgroup discussed resources for parents to have their car seats checked. There are very few in-person options in our region.

The workgroup asked how a person becomes a CPST. Melissa explained that the certification is through NHTSA and Safe Kids Worldwide.

Discussion Item Raise Up Oregon 2.0

Kristi discussed Raise Up Oregon and how all the EL Hub workgroups are being asked to provide feedback on what work their group would like to support. This activity will inform the strategic planning process for the Early Learning Hub.

She asked the workgroup to discuss the Raise Up Oregon strategies concerning Connect Oregon Statewide and Improving the utilization of community health workers and doulas. This was done in a Jamboard activity. The workgroup was divided into two breakout rooms to discuss each strategy and make notes for about fifteen minutes, then switch to the next strategy and repeat.

The Jamboard will remain open if workgroup members want to continue to add thoughts after the meeting. They are welcome to share this Jamboard link to help collect community feedback on these strategies.

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Discussion Item Pollywog Update

LeAnne briefly reviewed some Pollywog Updates, including:

- LBCC holiday break schedule
- Albany Nonprofit Networking Event coming in January
- New Addendum to the EL Hub Databook

Next Meeting	9:30 am, January 9, 2024
	Online Via Zoom

Meeting Adjourned	11:01 am
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