



## Family Council Meeting

Date: August 29, 2023

### Attendees

Council members present: Samantha Bush, Holly Smith, and Nicole Thiel

Council members absent: Morgan Waller and Elizabeth Houser

### Agenda

- I. Welcome & Agenda
- II. Ice Breaker
- III. Community Agreements
- IV. Staff Updates & Meeting Minutes Review
  - a. Notes: Interest Forms for new Family Council Members are currently under review by the State Team. New members will join us next month. Staff are hiring a Regional Administrative Support position for the Region 11 office. Stipend Checks have been mailed. New Stipend Forms must be signed by September 15.
- V. RNA Feedback
  - a. Notes: Council Members noted that additional needs and recommendations could be made following changes to Medicaid. Illinois families are struggling with losing medical coverage due to the Federal Government ending continuous Medicaid coverage. Members also noted the lack of providers (Therapy – mental health, speech, physical, Vision, and Dental) that accept Medicaid in the area.
- VI. Dissemination & Event Updates
  - a. Notes: County Halls have been hits and misses depending on County.
- VII. Next Meeting & Conclusion
  - a. Notes: Next Meeting date is still to be determined as new council members join early next month.

### Before next meeting...

- Sign Stipend Form once received in mail, take a picture, & send it to FACE Kayli.
- Follow up with FACE Specialist Kayli if interested in event details, virtual and in-person. Strongly suggested to attend your perspective county hall.
- Keep an eye out for emailed survey link for Year 2 Family Council times.