



Action Council Meeting Summary

Date: September 7, 2023

Attendees

Council members present: Cindy Luzeniecki, Sheree Sykes, Chrissy Nojd, Rebecca Graham, Mary Self, Rosemary Pistorius, Cinidi Schimmelpfennig, Lovice Brinkman, Carolyn Short

1. Introductions
 - Liz welcomed the Council and permission to record was granted.
2. Year 1 Overview
 - The Early Childhood Regional Needs Assessment can be accessed on our website as well as any media that has been shared.
3. Group Agreements
 - The Action Council agreed to the meeting norms.
4. Addendum Updates
 - Liz reviewed the feedback gathered to date and the Council proposed possible recommendations for the Addendum.
 - A member advised to watch the terminology in “transition meeting” and suggested “moving up” or “step up” as there could be confusion with Early Intervention language.
5. Action Plan Recommendations
 - Suggestions for 2-3 Key Findings
 - Centralized Community Network for information, referrals, and resources.
 - Provide mental health support and wrap-around services for all children, families, and the workforce.
 - Meeting Formats (1AC/1FC/1 Combo)
 - The Council agreed to the 1AC/ 1FC/ and 1 Combo meeting format.
6. CQI
 - Liz reviewed the CQI plan and asked the Council to use CQI to answer these three questions: 1) What are we trying to accomplish? 2) How will we know that a change is an improvement? 3) What change can we make that will result in improvement?

7. Webinar Updates

- The Webinars are uploaded and live on the Birth to Five Illinois YouTube channel. Our Region will be making it public on September 12th via Facebook.

8. RNA Updates

- Liz shared the two upcoming town halls with NAACP and Kankakee County State's Attorney, Jim Rowe. The Council was asked to participate if able.

9. Community Updates from Members

- Liz introduced this as a regular part of the monthly meeting where Council members can share their own updates and/or events.

10. Adjourn

Next meeting date: Thursday, October 5th, 9:00am-11:00am
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