



Action Council Meeting #6

Action Council Members present: Bob Spatz, Diane Schoenheider, Glenda Thomas, Hunter Stuckemeyer, Kathy Slattery, Linda Rios, Vivian Palicki.

Date: January 9th, 2024, 1:00pm-3:00pm.

Agenda

1. Welcome/Icebreaker.
2. Community Agreements.
3. Birth to Five Organization Updates.
 - a. Notes: The RCM shared with the Action Council that Tonya Frehner, Region 21 RCM, has joined the Governor's Office Early Childhood Education and Care Transition Advisory Committee. Their position on the committee will allow them to inform and provide feedback to the State as it prepares for the transition to a new single agency.
 - b. Note: The RCM shared the link to Region 21's website, IDHS-Division of Early Childhood Town Hall.
 - c. Note: The RCM shared information about the National Day of Racial Healing and a link to more information.
4. Mental/Behavioral Health Survey Reminder.
 - a. Note: The RCM shared the link for the Early Childhood Mental & Behavioral Health Needs Survey and encouraged the council members to complete and share it with others to gather feedback from the community.
5. Workgroups/Action Plan Progress.
 - a. Note: The RCM shared the link for Google Drive with the Action Council, where updates and new links will be shared.
6. SMART Goal Revisit.
 - a. Note: The RCM informed the Action Council that the Action Plan was reviewed by State Team Members, and they provided feedback to review the goals and tailor them for local implementation.
 - b. Note: The RCM reviewed and discussed the region's recommendations and their SMART goals. Feedback was provided by the Action Council and recorded in the presentation.
 - i. The RCM aided the group in examining the SMART goals through a series of questions.
 1. Who will be responsible for leading?



2. Is this already happening?
 3. Do they need additional support at the regional level?
 4. Why/if we should do it if another is already doing it?
 - a. The questions were discussed, and the feedback was collected on the presentation's slides.
 - c. Note: A Council Member suggested an additional Workgroup to complete work on the SMART goals.
 - d. The RCM stated they will provide a date and time based on the Council member's availability.
7. Workgroups/Action Plan Next Steps.
 - a. The RCM informed the wrap-up action plan with the workgroup.
 - b. Note: The RCM informed the participants that the Action Plan with Workgroups is ending, with the final deadline of February 2nd, 2024.
 - i. The Action Plan will be provided to IDHS for review.
 - ii. The Action Plan's draft is located in Region 1-B-B Google Drive.
 - iii. The RCM reminded the Council Members the Action Plan cannot be shared or implemented during the review period.
8. 2024 Directives Overview.
 - a. Note: The RCM informed the Action Council about the new directives focusing on Mental Health.
 - i. There will be:
 1. A review of the gaps in support services.
 2. A review of Mental health data to identify the service gaps.
 3. Councils will complete the Mental and Behavioral Needs Assessment.
 4. The Meeting structure will change to two monthly meetings and no Workgroups.
9. 2024 Directives Steps Taken so far.
 - a. Note: The RCM informed the Council of the actions taken so far in detail.
 - b. Note: The RCM provided links to the GOECD website, the Google Doc list of local community agencies that provide mental health services to families with children under the age of eight, and Gateways.
 - i. The RCM encouraged the Council Members to add to the list of providers.
10. Next Steps/Meeting Structure Poll.
 - a. Note: The RCM provided the details of the new meeting structure and the time and date of the next meeting.



2. Note: The RCM discussed the poll and allowed time for members to complete the poll.
3. Note: There was a short discussion with Council Members, and feedback was recorded by the regional team.

Before next meeting...

- Attend a workgroup meeting and be ready to participate!
- Think about potential guest speakers to attend meetings.