



Action Plan Workgroups Summary

Action & Family Council Members

November 30, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Attendees

Workgroup 1 present: Stephanie Burkhardt, Leann Courson, Amy Fullerton, Amy Gipe, Emily Henry, Kim Magee-Barton, Lisa Medina-Foshay, David Pagan, Scott, Rasso, Peter Schwartzman.

Workgroup 2 present: Rhonda Hillyer, Marie Lamare, Michael Levis, John Mabon, Kyle McEwen.

Agenda

- I. Group agreements.
 - i. We will seek to understand differing perspectives.
 - ii. We will not hesitate to speak up if you have trouble seeing/hearing.
 - iii. We will respect each other's views.
 - iv. We will keep our camera on when possible.
- II. Review recommendations.
 - i. Simplify access for families by creating a universal resource for information and communication.
 - i. Maternal Infant and Early Child Home Visiting site research through Illinois Dept. of Human Services. <https://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs-impact/programs/home-visiting/maternal-infant-early-childhood-home-visiting-miechv-program>– Lisa Medina Foshay.
 - ii. Kyle McEwen is still in the process of working on his smart goal.
 - ii. Continue to support home-based providers through information and resources.
 - i. Been in the process of an easier way for home child care providers to access services/resources. Do they know where resources are? Putting all this in a central location - Rhonda Hillyer.
 - ii. Information to get to those providers: Safe Harbor
- III. What funding would it take to implement the goals, steps, and/or recommendations?
- IV. Recommendation 1 - What doesn't need to be funded?
 - i. Local?
 - i. Federal and then disseminated by the State.
 - ii. State?
- V. Recommendation 2 - What must be funded?
 - i. Local?



- i. Contact local IDHS – Scott Rasso.
 - ii. State?
- VI. Financial Needs and Sources.
- VII. Are there other community groups, agencies, organizations, or individuals working on similar or related goals/recommendations?
 - i. CCR&R is welcome to put resources on their page when it exists – Michael Levis.
 - ii. Would someone like to reach out to 211 for further clarification? – David Pagan.
- VIII. What lessons have they learned that might be helpful?
 - i. Work on sub-goals before the SMART Goal – Media Plan.
- IX. Which partnerships can be leveraged to support the workgroup’s goal/recommendation?
 - i. Partner with an existing organization.
- X. One-stop shops in other States.
 - i. Georgia: GA Decal Bright from the Start.
 - ii. Maryland: Growing Opportunities in Family Child Care (GOFCC) | Maryland Family Network.
 - iii. Indiana: in.gov/fssa/childcarefinder/.
 - iv. American Fork, Idaho: https://apnews.com/article/free-preschool-pre-k-idaho-be4e97586f3c231fdb20a1bf59d61221?trk=feed_main-feed-card_feed-article-content.

Before next meeting...

- Start thinking about organizations/agencies that will assist in completing our goals and implementing our recommendations.
 - ROE33.net.
 - YES Council.
 - Carl Sandburg College resource PDF.
 - Mercer County Better Together.
 - United Way 211.
 - Illinois Cares for Kids.org.



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4:30 p.m.

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Workgroup 1 present: Jessica Alvarado, Stephanie Burkhardt, Tracy Crump, Kyle McEwen, Katie Ringberg

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Workgroup 2 present: Jenny Dowsey, Rhonda Hillyer, Gorette Kuppa, Morgan Lewis, John Mabon.

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- II. Review recommendations.
 - i. Simplify access for families by creating a universal resource for information and communication.
 - ii. Continue to support home-based providers through information and resources.
- III. What funding would it take to implement the goals, steps, and/or recommendations?
 - i. Sub goals for Recommendation 2.
 - i. Define which home-based providers the group is gathering data from.
 - ii. Find out what the providers need and find out what platforms the providers use to get information & resources.
 - iii. Define information and resources the group needs to gather for providers.
 - iv. Gather the information and resources and check for accuracy.
 - i. How to fix the barriers to keep it up-to-date and keep it convenient.
 - ii. Automated emails.
 - v. Create platforms that will connect providers with information and resources.
 - i. Tab on the ROE page with QR code.
 - ii. Put in Doula folder or information received in hospital.
 - iii. Doctor's offices and exam rooms. Half sheet with information and QR code at the top and a color sheet for the child at the bottom.



- iv. Health Departments.
- IV. What doesn't need to be funded?
 - iii. Local?
 - iv. State?
- V. What must be funded?
 - i. Local?
 - i. Partner with local agencies and entities to send out incentives.
 - ii. Work with health departments for surveys to gather information with funding.
 - iii. Local businesses providing incentives.
 - ii. State?
- VI. Financial Needs and Sources.
- VII. Are there other community groups, agencies, organizations, or individuals working on similar or related goals/recommendations?
 - i. Libraries.
 - ii. CSC Helping Hand Resource.
 - iii. Do not reinvent the wheel, use entities we already know of.
 - iv. Doctor office pamphlets versus being on the television prompts.
- VIII. What lessons have they learned that might be helpful?
- IX. Which partnerships can be leveraged to support the workgroup's goal/recommendation?
 - i. Research ways to contact and engage with providers to connect them with the information.
 - ii. Schedule ways to connect and engage with home providers.
 - iii. Include the fun activities as well. Play Yard, Library Activities, etc.
 - iv. Churches.
 - v. Department of Human Services.
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- Information and resources we need for the information hub.



- Reaching out to entities and finding out if we can acquire incentives to gather information from providers and families.