



Action Council All Member Meeting

Date: November 29, 2023 1:00 pm

Attendees

Zoom-only meeting: Pam, Jenine, Emily, Linn.

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Purpose of Meeting- We will continue digging deep into each recommendation to find the best Region 8 action plan.
3. Group agreements
4. SMART Goals revisited – Creating more Slots.
 - Create Child Care Action Team – Include various Child Care professionals, local contractors/inspectors, retired DCFS workers, grant writers, business planners, financial experts, and others. This team will act as an advisory group to help prospective Child Care proprietors to open a center or home.
5. Enhancing Family Support
 - Expanding family support systems by ensuring all child care centers and preschools have an on-site behavioral and mental health specialist. May be tough to do given the severe shortage of these professionals in the area.
 - Increase participation in early intervention and home visiting programs. Also as part of that goal and to help achieve it, increase the number of professionals who do the home visits.
 - Increase awareness of all family support programs through a detailed marketing plan followed up by outreach events.

Next meeting date:

Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. at the Stewart Centre 7th Floor or via
ZOOM (with cameras on, please)