

Local Leadership Group Notes
March 14, 2018
2:00pm-4:00pm
Bethlehem Lutheran Church (Family Growth Center)
549 Mt. Hope Ave. Lansing, MI 48910

1. **Welcome/Introductions** **10 Minutes**
Parent Café Question
How do you build a network of support you can depend on?
 - Time, patience, reciprocity in relationships, mutual respect and support
2. **February Meeting Review** **5 Minutes**
 - Minutes approved.
3. **Mission Statement Feedback** **10 Minutes**
 - Effie: shared that they tried to create a mission statement based on other LLGs but couldn't find any posted. This mission statement was edited directly following a site visit in Aug, 2017
 - Emily: Liked that the mission statement includes the agency voice and discusses
 - Michelle: Suggested adding something about providing feedback to agencies and opinions. Also, add Great Parents Great Start next to NFP and Early Head Start. Reference the purpose statement on the website but not with the mission statement.
 - Kae: Add, Would you like to share your home visiting experiences?
 - Lisa: should include coordination and systems level change for home visiting programs
 - Antanea: need to include more and information about what to expect and maybe include a short description or links to the about pages for programs
 - Effie will send out an email including the purpose statement out the group for additional feedback
4. **Other Issues with the Website & Descriptions**

- Include other home visiting programs next to Early Head Start of Nurse Family Partnership or Great Parents Great Start Program to include other parents who are in non-evidence based programs

* There is no reimbursement for parents of other programs to give out honorariums however there may be additional funds from programs themselves like Early On.

* If we open up the LLG to other home visiting parents don't include honorarium information in print materials

5. Sustainability Brainstorming 25 Minutes

Identify the key activities of the LLG that are important to the local communities home visiting system.

- Step 1: What are the key activities or events that the LLG is doing and should continue to do?
 - Joint professional development
 - Parent feedback and voice about hv programs
 - Parents acting as a sound board EX: bed bugs and safety training
 - Parents offering their experiences
 - Having monthly meeting and parent café
 - Identify current family and community issues and how to address
 - Would continue to attend meetings even without reimbursement if continue to see change
 - An event with a parent panel
 - Sharing best practices and areas of improvement
 - Discuss what home visiting is and the stigmas around it
 - Incentives are appreciated like diapers, gift cards, honorarium and childcare.
 - Safe place to express yourself

6. Home Visiting Continuum 5 Minutes

- Connecting people to professional development ideas can still count as LLG supported even if LLG isn't the organizing body or host of the professional development
- Mental Health First Aid (CMH):
 - Individuals would be able to register through LLG
 - Michelle will email Effie and she will coordinate this

7. Great Parents Great Start 5 Minutes

- Michelle: shared a flyer about GPGS and what to expect. Would like to get this out by next week for CQI project. This would be given to new families and pre-enrolled clients.
 - o Edits: Make the flyer smaller, maybe make it so that it can be put on client's refrigerators and some language change

8. Spotlight 30 Minutes

Michelle Nicholson: Early On & GPGS

- Early On (Is a Michigan only early intervention program)
 - o Eligibility:
 - The main requirement is that the child has a delay or a condition that may lead to a delay
 - No income requirement
 - Up to age 3
 - o Established Conditions
 - If a child has any of the established conditions they automatically qualify and do not have to be showing current delays
 - This now includes lead exposures of 5 and up and fetal abuse
 - o Referrals:
 - Anyone can make a referral
 - Can submit referrals online
 - o Services:
 - All services are provided in the home unless they are homeless or there are special circumstances
 - Meetings could vary from 1x p week to monthly depending on client's needs
 - An initial assessment is done
 - Work with the family to identify goals and figure out what services are available to reach those outcomes
 - o Model:
 - It is no longer just speech therapy and physical therapy but it is also more of a coaching model for families

- Working on primary service provider. There is a primary person who builds a relationship with that family and there is a team that works with that family but it doesn't mean that there will be 5 people in the home at any given time.
 - This is new to Early On and has been implemented in other counties
 - Non-English Speaking families
 - Nepali, Chin, Burmese, Spanish, Arabic Interpreters
 - Also have cultural brokers
- GPGS
 - Eligibility
 - Age 3 to Kindergarten
 - No income requirement
 - No qualifiers like delays or disabilities needed. Everyone within that age range qualify
 - Services
 - Home visiting
 - Parents as Teachers curriculum
 - Meet 2x p/month
 - Play and Learn Groups
 - Referral Form
 - Written referral, via phone or text message a picture of the referral form
 - Non-English Speaking families
 - Nepali, Chin, Burmese, Spanish, Arabic Interpreters
 - Also have cultural brokers
- Build- Up
 - This is the program for kids that have aged out of Early On but still need assistance with developmental delays
 - Referral
 - Anyone can call if they have questions or want to receive services

9. Partnership Survey 20 Minutes

10. Agency Updates/Announcements 5 Minutes

- Resilience Screening- April 10th 12-1:30pm Ingham County Health Department Conference Room A

- Family Coalition Meeting & Parent Cafe: March 22 at 6-8pm
 - o Bethlehem Lutheran Church
- Office for Young Children is Closing at ICHD
 - o Closing March 30th
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