

# Ingham Great Start Collaborative

*Our vision: Every child is ready to succeed in school and life.*

Ingham GSC Meeting Notes, June 21, 2017, 1:00 – 3:30 pm

**LOCATION: Grace United Methodist Church - 1900 Boston Blvd., Lansing**

## I. Welcome and Working Agreements

Chair: Laurie Linscott      Time Keeper: Barb Monroe

**Present:** Jessica Baker-Parent, Wendy Boyce-Ingham ISD, Missy Challiss-ICHHD/MIHP, Lisa Chambers-ICHHD, Dorothy Cooks-Ingham ISD/GPGS, Shannon Grant-MSU Parent Resource Center, Deb Hill-CACS Head Start, Ashley Jory-ICHHD OYC CRC, Laurie Linscott-MSU CDL, Barb Monroe-ICHHD OYC CRC, Michelle Nicholson-Ingham ISD, Sara Randels-GUMC/Lansing Ministries, Kristen Rayner-Lansing School District, Thais Rousseau-CADL, Nola Schramm-ICHHD-NFP, Eyal Suseela-CADL, Stephanie Thelen-Ingham ISD, Dana Watson-ICHHD

The 6/21/17 Meeting Agenda and 5/17/17 Meeting Notes were approved as stated.

### Inclusion Activity – Parent Café Question

Today's Parent Café question was from the Strengthening Families Framework Protective Factor – Concrete Support in Times of Need *“When times are tough, how do you prioritize the needs of your family that are not considered basic needs?”* GSC Members shared responses with elbow partners.

## II. Responsibility – Early on Annual Report

The [2016-2017 Early On Ingham County Annual Report](#) was shared with members, and can be found on the GSC website. [Early On](#) is a program for children ages 0-3 with a developmental delay or are at risk of developing delays due to an established medical condition or disability. Each year, federal grant monies are allocated to *Early On* programs throughout Michigan; however, most of *Early On* services are funded through local special education dollars. The Ingham County Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC) is the advisory body to *Early On*; and because the required LICC community partners are the same as GSC partners, the GSC serves as the Ingham County LICC to avoid replication. GSC members approved the grant budget and consented to agree to collaborate with Ingham ISD *Early On* and support the FY2018 Application.


## III. FY2017 Strategic Planning

An overview of the Strategic Planning process, to date, was shared using actual examples from Outcome 3. Since the Strategic Planning process began in October 2016, GSC members have worked to identify problems, create Goal Descriptors and Labels, and prioritize Root Causes to develop Strategies. Since the May GSC meeting, GSC staff and the Operations Committee worked to prioritize Strategies and develop Goal and Objective language to include in the Plan. At today's meeting, members worked in Outcome groups to refine, prioritize, and develop Activities necessary to work toward the overarching Strategies using the criteria listed below. Outcome groups then worked on the additional details of carrying out the Activities (i.e., persons responsible, target date, resources, and progress measures), which will be included in the GSC Action Agenda. Highlights of Activities and Strategies were shared.

- Common Activities Types
  - Launching the strategy
    - e.g., draft shared consent form
  - Taking resident/family voice into consideration
  - Piloting efforts and revising
  - Supporting Implementation
    - Getting the word out about strategies
    - Building buy-in/capacity to carry out strategies
  - Aligning policies to support strategies

- Conditions for Effective Implementation
  - Readiness
  - Capacity
  - Diffusion
  - System Alignment


What activities are needed for people to be ready to engage in our strategies?



Are activities geared toward specific stakeholders?

Is the timing appropriate? Are there other opportunities to leverage? (budget, legislation, policies)


What activities are needed to ensure capacity to carry out our strategies?



– Are we seeing that program leaders, staff, families, youth, and other relevant community members have the **skills, knowledge, and relationships** they need to support this effort?

– How could these be built?

What activities are needed to help to promote diffusion of the strategies?



– Are critical stakeholders becoming aware of our strategies? If not, how can we make them aware?


– Have critical stakeholders adopted the strategies? If not, how can we support their adoption?

– Are we reaching targeted families, staff and settings?

– Who can the GSC support to serve as a champion for this work?

**Is the early childhood system ALIGNED to support our strategies?**

What activities are needed to help us align the system to support effective implementation?



#### IV. General Updates

- **June 23, 2017** – The Nurse Family Partnership graduation will take place at Hawk Island.
- **July 11-12, 2017 - Potter Park Zoo Days** – Please contact Wendy Boyce [wboyce@inghamisd.org](mailto:wboyce@inghamisd.org) if you are interested in working a 2.5-3.0 hour shift. All materials will be on site; and a training PowerPoint is available to help answer questions and help engage families regarding available resources.
- **August 14-18, 2017 - Back to School Health Fair** – Please contact Lisa Chambers [lchambers@inghamisd.org](mailto:lchambers@inghamisd.org) with questions. The next planning meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2017, at 8:30 am in the Atrium Conference Room at the Ingham County Health Department. Details are being finalized to have sports/preschool health appraisals available to children during the week; more information will be shared when available.
- **Ashley Jory** has joined the Central Resource Center as a Quality Improvement Specialist.
- As part of CQI, the Local Leadership Group hosted a **Safety Training Dialogue** on June 14, 2017. The topic of this training was home visiting safety. An additional training to discuss the topics of substance abuse and mental health is being planned.
- **Great Parents Great Start** has openings; and is accepting referrals primarily for 3 year olds.
- The GSC will **not** meet in July.

**The next GSC meeting is scheduled for August 2017—exact date to be determined.**

**1:00 – 3:30 pm at Grace United Methodist Church.**

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