

Local Leadership Group Meeting Notes

October 5, 2022

1:00pm-2:30pm

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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Present: Deanna Curry, Crista Batway, Wendy McBride, Ali Rogers, Michelle Sabo, Charles Weber, Rashmi Travis, Jasmine Tucker, Jessica Baker, Beth Walker, Lisa Chambers, Travis Neller, LaSean Thompson, Antanea Robinson, Rebecca Meszaros, Becky Carter, Kae Dubay

1. Welcome/Introductions

What is "give and take" in a relationship?

2. September Meeting Recap

September notes were reviewed and approved. Rebecca Meszaros 1st, Beth Walker 2nd

3. Great Parents Great Start

Working with CPS to increase referrals and enrollment to Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) and retaining the families in the program. Staff are attending the visits with MDHHS to help increase referrals. Also developed a brochure. Looking at how they can improve the process.

4. CQI Grantee Meeting Update

CQI Team attended the LLG Grantee Meeting on September 29th. There will not be a Home Visiting Conference again this year, but they are planning to offer separate PD opportunities. Kae will share more information when it is available. Michigan has recognized that a large percentage of removals are due to substance use. They have created a parent liaison position throughout areas of the state to help support families. The parent liaison is required to have experience/knowledge of substance use. This opportunity is not currently available in Ingham.

5. FY23 Work Plan

Kae shared the FY23 Work Plan and explained each expectation for the LLG this fiscal year.

6. Home Visiting Table & Reference Sheet Review

Kae previously sent out the HV Table and Reference Sheet for review. No one had edits at that time. Other than staff changes, the only other change was the removal of Sparrow MIHP because they no longer offer home visiting services. Please send Kae any updates or edits.

7. Parent Engagement Opportunities

The Ingham LLG offers opportunities for the parents monthly. Each month, with the exception of summer, there is a Parent Café. The October, November and December Parent Cafes will focus on Parenting Stress. The Parent Cafes have a mix of information and discussion. As we are continuing to recruit more parents to the LLG, these are a great opportunity to introduce them to the LLG and other parents. Kae also shares any training opportunities that are available. Becky just attended the Parents Partnering in Change Training. She really enjoyed it and felt it was very empowering.

8. Spotlight

Rashmi Travis & Charles Weber:

Ingham Substance Awareness and Prevention Coalition

- What is ISAP: Community agencies, schools, non-profits, health and human service agencies who work to prevent, raise awareness and provide education about substance use and misuse in Ingham.
- Coalition work takes a village to make things happen, including residents in the community.
- System change is continuous work
- ISAP Workgroups:
 - Executive Committee
 - Recovery Orientated Systems of Care
 - Family Matters
 - Policy
 - Engagement and Outreach
 - Youth
- What do we do?
 - Provide community presentations on vaping, marijuana, alcohol, other drugs and suicide prevention.
 - Tailor presentations to adults and youth based on the data/needs of the community
 - Youth Workgroup:
 - Youth Speak: An opportunity for kids to have a voice and speak about issues that are impacting them.
 - Steering Committee for Stepping up Together: Pregnant and parenting teens up to 21. Connect to resources and reduce barriers.
- Perceptions of ease of access to marijuana, alcohol and prescription drug use have remained fairly steady over the past 10 years.
- Alcohol, marijuana and cigarettes are the most used substance by 7th, 8th and 9th graders in the past 30 days.
- Annual Plan:
 - Increase referrals for substance disorder treatments
 - Reduce alcohol, marijuana and tobacco use by youth in Ingham
 - Implement strategies to reduce tobacco use in youth
 - Conduct school programming and interventions

9. Parent Voice

How do you become more open with your home visitor to ask for needs, have difficult conversations etc.? How can your home visitor help you become more comfortable sharing these needs/conversations?

-Parent #1: Let parents know there is no judgement and this is a safe space to share. I did not have a hard time asking for anything from my home visitor, but I felt safe and judgement free.

-Parent #2: Agree that a safe space and no judgement provided comfort. Some things prevented me from being able to open-up and ask questions such as social and cultural differences, but once I was comfortable, it was easy to open-up.

-Parent #3: I had childhood experiences with CPS, so I was scared of being reported and getting in trouble. I was really open with my home visitor about when I was comfortable and when I wasn't. My home visitor was really observant and was able to support and provide some comfort. This helped me to open-up and feel comfortable asking for help and having hard conversations.

-Parent Ambassador: It's hard to allow someone in my space. Home visitor helped me feel comfortable by sharing her personal experiences and helped walk me through the conversations.

-Home Visitor: You have to take your time and be genuine with the families so the relationships form naturally.

10. Updates and Announcements

-Youth Speak Forum: October 18th 5-6pm Contact Charles for more information: cweber@eatonresa.org

-Parent and Family Coalition Oct, Nov and Dec Meeting Schedule:

-2nd Thursday of each month

-10am and 6pm

Contact Jessica for more information: inghamscparents@gmail.com

Next meeting: November 2nd @ 1pm