

Integrated Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 7, 2023		Locat	t ion: Virtual			
Time: 2:30 – 4:00			ng ID:			
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Committee Chair: Marcela Zepe						
Committee Vice Chair: Marcia Archer						
COMMITTEE HEAD START MEMBERS PRESENT:						
Alhambra Head Start:	Catholic Charities West	Side	Chicanos Por La Causa:	Child Crisis Arizona:		
	Head Start:		Priscila Armenta	Agueda Vela		
			Marcela Zepeda			
			Elizabeth Soqui			
Child Parent Centers:	City of Phoenix:		Deer Valley Head Start:	Fowler Head Start:		
Alana Mozar	Selina McCabe-Charley		_			
	Margaret Velasco					
	Alice Haverland					
Greater Phoenix Urban	Maricopa County:		Northern Arizona Council Of	Pinal Gila Community Child		
League Head Start:			Governments:	Service:		
			Marcia Archer			
Southwest Human	Urban Strategies:		Washington Head Start:	Western Arizona Council of		
Development:	Kim Pearson		_	Governments:		
Bari Nemeth						
Betsy Ventura						
COMMITTEE COMMUNITY PARTNER MEMBERS PRESENT:						

COMMITTEE HEAD START & COMMUNITY PARTNER MEMBERS ABSENT:
Alhambra Head Start, Catholic Charities West Side Head Start, Deer Valley Head Start, Fowler Head Start, Greater Phoenix Urban

League Head Start, Maricopa County, Pinal Gila Community Child Service, Washington Head Start, Western Arizona Council of Governments

GUEST/VISITOR:

Chelsea Rousseau, Dept of Educ, Early Childhood Specialist Rachel Salley, AHCCCS, Maternal Child Health Coordinator

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: March 7, 2023, at 2:30 PM

Topic	Presenter	Minutes
Call Meeting to order & Agenda Revision Committee Updates (election, request for support, etc)		 The meeting was called to order at 2:33 PM. The Committee will meet on a monthly basis at 2:30 PM on the first Tuesday of each month. Newsletter The Newsletter will be used to report at Board Meetings on a quarterly basis. Attendance is tracked.
3) WIC MOU		 WIC MOU changes made by the Committee and Kimberly Callow were reviewed. #5: WIC does not use this joint application form so it should be removed. Marcela suggested the entire #5 be removed since it is then not specific to anything. All attendees agreed.
4) Head Start Community Updates		Early Childhood Nutrition Advisory Group Meetings are every 2 months from 9 -10 AM on the fourth Tuesday on Zoom. The contact person is Aimee Sitzler, MSW, of Community Alliance Consulting. She can be reached at www.community allianceaz.com or 602.509.6559. The Group is requesting a representative from our Committee. Jaida McLemore was interested in joining as the Head Start representative but they need a representative from Maricopa County. No one volunteered but Marcela said they can email her if interested.

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5) Community Updates	 National Children's Dental Health Month: Sesame Street in Communities is offering a webinar to share with families to keep children healthy. Resources on how to promote good oral health among our families. Marcela will send the link. Marcela knows a hygienist, Miguel, who would like to present at our next meeting.
6) WIC MOU	 The WIC MOU was submitted with comments and proposed signature page on 11/29. The state will review the proposed revisions now. State comment review period is 60 days. Response to comments for suggested revisions is due on January 30, 2023. The state will reach out if questions or clarification is needed.
7) Action Plan 2023	 The draft was submitted to Jessica. This was our second action plan that we worked on for the strategic plan. Not a lot of programs participated in the collab survey so we decided to have a Health Tool to help us collect the data. A tool has been created that only has the questions that are not on PIR. Marcela will send it to us today so we can begin collecting the data. For Feb and then April:
	IHSC will identify individuals that will be supporting data collection, utilizing Health Survey Data Tool for PY22-23 Begin data collection utilizing February 2023
	Health Survey Data Tool for PY22-23
	Check-in with IHSC Members the Health Survey Tool data collection process during scheduled IHSC Meetings April 2023
	 In Aug Jessica will help us to create a google survey with all the questions for us to input the data. Data is to be entered in October and evaluated in November.

	 An infographic is to be created in December.
	 It was requested of members that If you are not the Health
	Person, please get with the person in your organization who
	does collect this data.
8) Vision Screening Challenges Updates	 It was explained that families are experiencing difficulty obtaining services from a specialist for their children under 5 years of age. Rachel Salley (AHCCCS) mentioned she is trying to figure out what the issue is and what steps have been taken so far for these families who have had a problem finding a provider near them. Is the issue that they can't get the transportation thru the plan or is it just inconvenient? Bari Nemeth said the difference is between ophthalmologist vs optometrist. They have to go to primary care physician to get referral to ophthalmologist. Previously, there were optometrists they could go to, such as Nationwide, where a referral wasn't needed. They could then refer to an ophthalmologist if needed. Back in 2018, AHCCCS thought that all Nationwides provided services to children under 5 years of age but only 3 locations actually saw them. The one near Southwest Human Development closed so there is no nearby location for them to send to families. There are only Mesa and Glendale locations now. Barriers include distance, ease of referral, and sometimes the physician dismisses the screening result. Rachel Salley said all providers should require a referral. Alana Mozar mentioned she is not having a problem with referrals but their 2 clinics w Nationwide are saying the children must be 4 years of age; no 3 yr olds will be seen. Her program is paying for the children with no insurance. Rachel Salley would like to speak with other members of her team to discuss, mentioning that the families should be able to contact their HC plan to get a list of providers. Alana Mozar explained that no providers are seeing children.
	Even if they see a pediatric ophthalmologist, no optician will see

	 them to provide glasses. VSP doesn't always work because many do not have SS number. Margaret Velasco, City of Phoenix, noted only one Nationwide @ 59th and Northern, will see children. Bari Nemeth mentioned that the Arizona chapter of AAP's Medical Services Project is available in Phoenix and she has been successful getting glasses for children thru that program.
9) Open Discussion	 Sensory Screening Marcia Archer asked what vision screening tools are being used by agencies in the group. NACOG is using GoCheck Kids. Alana Mozar said they are also using GoCheck Kids. Bari Nemeth reported using SPOT screeners and the newest version of the 18 Milestones for vision for under 6 months. Kim Pearson asked what is being used for hearing for children, including infants. Bari Nemeth is using OAE. Alana will google to find and send verbal screening tool. Bari Nemeth said she has not had to do any updates with their SPOT screeners that they've been using them for about 6 years. Elizabeth Soqui added that there is a point when their vision screeners can no longer be calibrated. Bari Nemeth mentioned she is on a committee with a bunch of sensory people, including ADHS. She said for school age, they are changing the structure of their training and are going to have a contractor for training vision screeners. Marcia Archer asked Bari Nemeth to tell her we need Train the Trainer for hearing. Kim Pearson was asking how to become certified to draw blood for lead screening. Alana Mozar utilizes in house staff, WIC, and videos for finger stick and is not aware of any certification. Kim Pearson asked for Alana's Consent form.

	 Bari Nemeth asked if anyone uses a company other than MSR West for OAE calibration. Everyone uses them. Kim Pearson uses Plus Optix for their vision screening. We can check with the National Center for Child Blindness to look for criteria for screeners. Elizabeth Soqui asked if it is required to have someone to come out and train for GCK. Alana Mozar responded that they did virtual training.
10)Adjourn	Meeting was adjourned at 3:44 PM.
Minutes taken by: Marcia Archer	