

May 2, 2014 Meeting Notes of the Statewide Advisory Council for Early Hearing Detection and Intervention.

Attending :

Tiffanie Cortez- EPICS

Dr. Sheree Hall- NMSD

Dr. Carol Clifford- Albuquerque Hearing and Balance

Dr. Roberto Lao- UNMH Audiology

Marjorie Madsen –NM Hands and Voices

Maylene Jaramillo- PRO

Lisa McNiven- GCD

Introductions and Announcements:

Marjorie provides an update on the progress toward Guide By Your Side. Five parent guide candidates have been interviewed. Tammy Voisine assisted with interviews and selection. Marjorie will be contacting them today (May 2) to invite them to participate in the training being offered May 30 and 31st. She discusses that stakeholders and general members will be invited to participate day 1 and then training for guides only will be day 2. She discusses that no applications from any candidates representing pueblos or tribes or from families that attend Presbyterian Ear Institute- received despite extensive outreach attempts. Most applicants were referred by the Deaf Mentor Program at New Mexico School for the Deaf. But she feels that we have a good diversity of candidates regardless. In the next wave of training she hopes that we can again target those populations as the information about the program spreads. She discusses in the training process H&V will insure Guides receive cultural training that can be provided by EPICS and also have introduce trainees to PEI.

Maylene Jaramillo from PRO is new to this group. She was asked to come to replace Camilla Gutierrez that has resigned as she has accepted a new position. Maylene talks about the PRO supports and resources, the Health Information Center Program and she hands out the program brochure. She illicit discussion about the need for Parent Leadership and about resources needed in audiology and speech therapy for children.

Lisa McNiven discusses the call for presentations for the Southwest Conference on Disabilities (Oct 7-10) hands out the brochure and encourages the group to think workshops. She asks about CASA. Dr.

Hall states CASA is planned for November this year she is not sure of location and if a call has gone out for presenters yet. Lisa also discusses a program NM Technology Assistance Program. The Governor's Council recommended moving this service out of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. The program provides access to equipment and resources, equipment lending as well as funding assistance for assistive technology devices.

Tiffany Cortez discusses upcoming EPICs training and outreach at San Filipe. Tammy will join her to talk about Newborn Hearing.

Tammy presents the Summary from the Coordinator (see attached). Group discusses the EHDI Report Card from CDC. According to this year's report there was an increase in the documentation of babies screened but also an increase in parents that did not respond to follow up. The increase in documented screening is most likely due to the fact that UNMH is now reporting all data directly the non responsive increase could be a data reporting error or due to the fact we have had an increase in reporting and therefore more families to follow with only 1.5 staff to do follow up. This is still being analyzed by the data team.

Committee Reports;

Audiology- Dr. Sheree Hall

Update on the survey to audiologists. The group learned they did not ask enough detail in the questions. The members have divided up the responses and will be completing follow up phone calls to get more information. Then this will be compiled into a resource list.

Screening Committee

Suzanne Pope is not present. She sent Tammy this information.

Hi All,

I will be attending a funeral tomorrow so I will not be at the meeting. The Screening Committee is currently working on the survey to assess strengths and needs of hospital screeners and I will have a report of the results at our next EHDI Advisory Council meeting.

Thanks,

Suzanne Pope

Screening Committee

Parent Involvement Committee:

Joanne Not Present. She sends this information:

Dr. Hall will be our proxy.

The Parent/EI Committee will not be meeting on Friday. We are in the process of gathering information for the Resource Guide and should have this information collected and a plan of action by the next time the advisory board meets.

Just as an FYI, Marjorie and I met to discuss GBYS. Since NMSD EII is the state agency to whom CMS refers, I wanted you to know that we will routinely refer families of children birth to 6 to GBYS. I know there was a little confusion about how the process would work, and that will be our protocol. I am meeting with our Regional Supervisors on May 21 and will officially put this protocol in place.

Thanks so much and have a great meeting!

:) Joanne

Midwives Committee:

No one represented or sent info