

## ICC Meeting Agenda (Day Two)

Date: Friday, October 21, 2016  
 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
 Room: Capital Room  
 Access Code: 1070#

AGENDA ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY
9:00 - 9:30	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome</li> <li>• Introductions/Roll Call</li> <li>• Review Agenda</li> </ul>	Marie Kanne Poulsen, ICC Chair
9:30-9:45	Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving State Systems</li> <li>• Communication &amp; Outreach</li> </ul>	Committee Chairs
9:45-10:00	1. Vote on 2017 Meetings (Action Item) 2. So. California Meeting Discussion	Marie Kanne Poulsen
10:00 -10:15	Public Input	Marie Kanne Poulsen
10:15 – 10:40	ICC Handbook (Input)	Jessica Dailey-Keithline
10:40- 10:45	Family Resource Center Network of California (FRCNA) Report	Linda Landry
10:45 – 11:15	Department Reports Department Representatives will provide a summary of the written report and allow for discussion, questions and answers	-Jim Knight/Sharon DeRego, Dept. of Developmental Services - TBD, Dept. of Health Care Services (DHCS) - Sheila Self, California Dept. of Education, Special Education - Leanne Wheeler, CDE, Homeless Education - Mary Sheppard, Dept. of Social Services - Mary Watanabe, Dept. of Managed Health Care - Richard Olney, Dept. of Public Health
11:15 - 11:30 Break		
11:30 – 12:15	IFSP Training Tool	Michelle Oliver
12:15 – 12:45	Honoring Fernando Antonio Gomez	Sharon DeRego Marie Kanne Poulsen
12:45 – 1:00	Next Steps and Adjourn	

# **State Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention**

## **Meeting Day Two**

### **Minutes**

**Friday, October 21, 2016**

**9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**WestEd Capitol Room**

Dr. Marie Kanne Poulsen called the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m.

Introductions and Roll Call were conducted.

Dr. Poulsen expressed gratitude to the Council members, community representatives, and the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) support staff for their effort and time spent arranging the logistics to attend the Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC). Laurie Jordan, Community Representative, shared the photograph displayed during the introduction. Dr. Poulsen recommended that the group share photographs of children and families with Early Start.

The Council reviewed the agenda, which was approved without amendments.

Dr. Poulsen announced that Fernando Gomez submitted his resignation from the ICC, and will be honored at today's meeting for the contributions he has made to the Council, and to children and families in California.

Michelle Oliver presented the committee report for Improving State Systems on behalf of Fran Chasen, Committee Chairperson. The committee voted to move the issue of natural environments and insurance to the ICC for further discussion and determination.

The Council agreed that parent input is a major issue and suggested that two (2) surveys should be conducted on the following topics:

1. Foster care, and reaching out to Part C and Early Start Managers to inquire how the regional centers are handling the delivery of services; and,
2. Gather data on infants and toddlers who qualify for early intervention services that received services and funding.

Public and parent input was received at 10:00 a.m. A parent representative shared that their child received services through the family's insurance and stated that there are no in-home providers through private insurance companies, as most providers only accept regional center funding. The parent representative mentioned the difficulty in accessing services through the private insurance.

At the previous meeting July 21-22, 2016, Nancy Sager, from the California Department of Education (CDE), Special Programs, presented an overview of the Parent Links program. The Parent Links is a grant-funded program that provides a parent-to-parent support network and referral source for parents with Deaf or Hard of Hearing (DHH) infants or toddlers.

A request was made at the July meeting for the ICC to make a recommendation to DDS on funding the Parent Links program. The ICC voted to approve a letter to be written by the Council to DDS, supporting the Parent Links concept, with funding separate from the FRCs.

Leanne Wheeler, chairperson, presented the committee report for Communication and Outreach. The committee addressed four (4) priority areas. The committee mentioned moving the action items forward to the ICC:

1. Finalize the dissemination plan for TaM and develop an introduction letter from the ICC by January 2017.
2. Disseminate the plan at different levels such as: LEAs, regional centers, stakeholders.
3. Discuss how the letter and training module will work at their levels.
4. Post the resources on websites, with the goal to disseminate information on a continuous basis.

A motion was made to put a dissemination plan and letter together for the committee to work on for the January 2017 meeting.

A vote was made to approve the 2017 ICC meeting dates. The January 2017 meeting will be held in Los Angeles.

Dr. Poulsen announced that the *Guidelines for Evidence-Based Infant-Toddler Social and Emotional Assessment and Screening* is still under administrative review at DDS and will soon be posted to the Early Start Neighborhood.

A recommendation was made for the members to send an email to DDS staff with alternate language to replace the term “surveillance.”

DDS is in the process of making revisions and updates to the Department website.

Linda Landry, from the Family Resource Centers Network of California (FRCNCA), gave the following report:

*The Family Resource Centers Network of California (FRCNCA) represents the 47 Family Resource Centers (FRCs) with a Steering Committee member from each of the 9 regions that meet monthly via conference call.*

*Outreach and collaboration activities included participation at the University of California, Davis Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (CEDD) Advisory Committee, the UCLA Tarjan Center University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disability Consumer Advisory Committee, Lanterman Coalition, California Network of Family Strengthening/Support Networks Training and Technical Assistance Collaborative, California Standards for Family Strengthening & Support Committee, and the Arc of California Board of Directors, California Family Strengthening Roundtable Steering Committee, State Interagency Team Home Visiting Planning Group and the Home Visiting Summit.*

*The FRCNCA has participated in the California Employment Consortium for Youth and Young Adults with Intellectual and Other Developmental Disabilities (CECY) (pronounced SEE SEE) since inception. FRCNCA representatives provide CECY members with information on the roles of the Family Resource Centers and the family perspective on transition to work and post-secondary education. While the original grant period has been completed, CECY activities will continue under a one year no-cost extension.*

*FRCNCA Representatives are participating in CAPTAIN (CA Autism Professional Training and Information Network) which has a goal to identify and develop a cadre of staff with enhanced knowledge about autism and evidence based practices across California and to develop local multi-agency collaborations between SELPAs, Regional Centers and Family Resource Centers. Statewide, 400 designated participants who have met specific criteria, have become part of the CAPTAIN Cadre. More information is available at [www.captain.ca.gov](http://www.captain.ca.gov). Additional state and federally funded parent organization representatives have been added as a part of additional funds awarded to the University of California, Davis CEDD through seventeen FRCs across the state are participating in the CaPROMISE grant. The California PROMISE Initiative (CaPROMISE) represents the opportunity for multiple organizations, working in partnership, to provide a coordinated set of services and supports to child SSI recipients ages 14-16 and their families, and is designed to increase financial self-sufficiency. Participants include the CA Department of Rehabilitation, in partnership with several other state departments, eighteen local education agencies (LEAs) and San Diego State University's Interwork Institute. CaPROMISE FRCs have received training in Person Driven Planning, Motivational Interviewing and Social Security. The FRC members support the Career Service Coordinators in engaging with identified families and locating resources that support their effort. September 14 -15, the 3<sup>rd</sup> CaPROMISE FRC Institute was held in San Diego. FRC staff received training and updates on The ABLE Act (H.R. 647/S. 313), federal legislation that aims to ease financial strains faced by individuals with disabilities by making tax-free savings accounts available to cover qualified expenses such as education and housing, <https://www.able-now.com/?qclid=CN2L76r66c8CFReSfgodePoK3A>. THE WORK FORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT/WIOA is designed to strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get Americans, including youth and those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers. Presentation by a Partners in Policy Making graduate on independence, self-determination and real work, and the Arc, FRCNCA, Family Voices, California People First and CA Family Empowerment Center collaborative effort funded by the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. A review and an activity was presented on assisting in facilitating a Person Driven Planning Meeting using visual note taking. More information is available at [www.CaPROMISE.org](http://www.CaPROMISE.org). FRC Steering Committee Members and FRC staff attended all four of the Disparity Hearings, providing the parent perspective, and supporting families to attend. The largest hearing was held in Los Angeles with 168 in attendance. DDS requested that FRCNCA distribute the information on the hearings. During all four hearings, the Promotora Project at Lanterman's Koch Young's Resource Center was highlighted by several regional centers. On October 14<sup>th</sup>, the FRCNCA, with FRCnLAC (hosted in Los Angeles), hosted a webinar with Rose Castillo-Chacana from Koch Young Resource Center. Also, the manager of the Promotora Program presented to 40 attendees in person and on the conference line.*

*Through Early Start Plus, 44 participants from 27 Early Start Plus FRCs received a full day of training on insurance information offered by Karen Fessel; one held in Sacramento and one in San Diego. FRCs will be able to use this Train the Trainers Workshop to enhance their array of trainings for families in their community to become comfortable with the resources and make connections with insurance companies' customer service.*

*The Early Start Plus Members Only webpage on the FRCNCA.org website continues to be updated on a regular basis with information to assist FRCs in the implementation of Early*

*Start Plus. Early Start Plus also continues with webinars, semi-monthly conference calls, as well as one to one technical assistance.*

*The FRCNCA continues to seek additional funding sources to maintain the coordination of the FRCNCA.*

Sheila Self presented the California Department of Education (CDE) Report. Dissemination materials were sent to the Special Education Local Plan Areas (SELPA) Directors regarding the State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) process, including CDE and special education activities. CDE is finalizing all monitoring with the Local Education Agencies (LEA), and is continuing to work on the CDE work plan, in collaboration with DDS. DDS was invited to conduct a presentation regarding the SSIP process at the SELPA Directors meeting in December 2016.

Mary Sheppard presented the Department of Social Services (DSS) report. First 5 developed the Alliance for Children's Rights (ACR). ACR created a comprehensive tool to track the development of the children. This tracking tool was created for parents, FRCs, and providers. A representative from ACR will present the tracking tool at the upcoming ICC meeting in January 2017. The Council voted to endorse the comprehensive tracking tool, following the presentation.

Sharon DeRego presented the DDS report. The SSIP is in the process of implementation for the five regional centers in Cohort 1. The regional centers are moving forward with their local implementation teams (LIT), TaM resources, and engaging their local communities. DDS is in the process of preparing for Cohort 2, next year.

There were no California Health and Human Services Agency updates to report at this time.

Leanne Wheeler presented the Homeless Children report for CDE. A letter was disseminated regarding children ages birth to 21 years, with a paragraph regarding children ages birth to five and the importance of early education. CDE, Head Start, and Early Head Start are working in collaboration to draft an article on Bridges, an e-journal, with an expected completion date of Spring 2017. Additionally, Leanne Wheeler reported there are issues related to homeless children ages birth to five because, unless they are connected to a school or the County Office of Education, it is difficult to accurately capture their whereabouts.

Mary Watanabe presented the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) report. With the implementation of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPEA), the Act requires health care service plans to offer coverage for mental health or substance abuse disorders, with the same level of benefits offered for general medical treatment. DMHC stated there are inaccuracies with provider directories, and the Department is working to improve the accuracy in locating providers in the directories.

There were no Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) updates to report at this time.

Richard Olney presented the Department of Public Health (DPH) report. Richard Olney shared that a meeting was held in July 2016 at the Center for Family Health, which discussed the Zika virus and providing health care services to pregnant woman. There were over 300 Zika virus infections, and among the 300 individuals infected, 40 women gave birth to children who had birth defects. It appears that out of the 40 pregnant women, two (2) infants were born with birth defects, associated with the Zika virus.

There is a monitoring program at the Center for Family Health for tracking birth defects. Some children are in need of services, and are referred to the California Children Services. The Center for Family Health is expanding newborn screening to prevent complications and improve child outcomes. The screening was improved as two (2) genetic diseases were added.

The Council discussed the Individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP) Training Tool. In Santa Clara County, the Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Smart Project was developed to address social emotional outcomes and support families. At the PLC meetings, there are eight (8) groups that work on different goals and embedded into Early Start meetings and regional meetings, where insight and data are shared from caseloads and randomly selected IFSPs.

Concluding the meeting, the Council expressed their appreciation for Fernando Gomez's contributions to the ICC.

Meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marie Kanne Poulsen  
Douglas Erber\*  
Rachelle Arizmendi  
Michelle Dove  
Jim Knight (for Nancy Bargmann)  
Sandra Gallardo (via conference call)  
Kimberly Johnson  
Richard Olney\* (via conference call)  
Sheila Self (for Tom Torlakson)  
Mary Sheppard  
Mary Watanabe (for Michelle Rouillard)  
Leanne Wheeler

#### **MEMBERS EXCUSED**

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Assembly member Tony Thurmond  
John Hall\*  
Nancy Sager  
Libby Woolford\*

#### **LEAD AGENCY**

Jim Knight  
Sharon DeRego  
JoEllen Fletcher  
Erin Paulsen  
Jessica Dailey-Keithline  
Elise Parnes

Kim Hough  
Alexandra Sanders

**COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Yvette Baptiste\*  
Matt Chesnut  
Toni Doman\* (via conference call)  
Susan Graham\*  
Lucero Irizarry  
Laurie Jordan\*  
Linda Landry\*  
Michelle Oliver  
Celina Oppus\*  
Tara Sisemore-Hester  
Julie Widman\*  
Kelly Young\*  
Gabrielle Zadra\*

**COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES EXCUSED**

Fran Chasen

**COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT**

Brigitte Ammons  
Tony Anderson  
Kathy Angkustsiri  
Maurine Ballard-Rosa  
Wanda Davis  
Jennifer Griffin\*  
Rachel Hagans  
Patsy Hampton  
Kat Lowrance\*  
Mara McGrath\*  
Robin Millar  
Marty Omoto  
Kristine Pilkington  
Patricia Salcedo\*  
Debbie Sarmiento\*  
Sherry Torok  
Mark Wild\*

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Christina Johnson  
Angela McGuire  
Virginia Reynolds  
Arlene Ortiz  
Susan Ducore  
Rebecca Hawley  
Kathy Brian

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