# ICC Meeting Agenda (Day Two)

Date: Friday, April 21, 2017 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Room: Capital Room Access Code: 1087#

AGENDA ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY		
9:00 - 9:30 Opening  • Welcome  • Introductions/Roll Call  • Review Agenda	Marie Kanne Poulsen, ICC Chair		
9:30-10:00 Special Issues: Access to early intervention services for children in foster care	Mary Sheppard, DSS		
10:00 -10:15 Public Input	Marie Kanne Poulsen		
10:15-10:30 Committee Reports  • Improving State Systems  • Communication & Outreach	Committee Chairs		
10:30-10:45 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	<ul> <li>Jim Knight, Department of Developmental Services</li> <li>Sheila Self, California Dept. of Education (CDE), Special Education</li> <li>Leanne Wheeler, CDE, Homeless Education</li> <li>Mary Sheppard/Kim Johnson, Dept. of Social Services</li> <li>Suzanne Sherinian, Dept. of Managed Health Care</li> <li>Richard Olney, Dept. of Public Health</li> </ul>		
11:15 - 11:30 Break			
11:30 – 12:15 Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC)- presentation	Suzanne Sherinian, DMHC		
12:15 –12:45 California Home Visiting Program	Monica Perez, CDPH CHVP		
12:45 – 1:00 Next Steps and Adjourn			

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

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## **Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Marie Kanne Poulsen called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Introductions and Roll Call were conducted.

Yvette Baptiste shared an Early Start success story of two brothers. Both brothers were born prematurely, but with the help of Early Start interventions, they have both shown successful growth in their developmental milestones.

Dr. Poulsen encouraged the Council to send photographs of infants, toddlers, and families that are representative of Early Start.

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

The following announcements were made:

- Fran Chasen shared that the Infant Development Association (IDA) is hosting the <u>Vivian Weinstein Leadership Day: Best Practices in Home Visiting</u> on May 1, 2017, in Los Angeles.
- The <u>California Association for the Education of Young Children</u> is hosting Early Learning Advocacy Day on May 24, 2017, in Sacramento.
- Michelle Oliver shared that the <u>Infant Development Association</u> is hosting its northern California conference in Sacramento on September 8-9, 2017.
- California Hands and Voices is hosting its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Northern Deaf and Hard of Hearing Family Camp on October 21-23, 2017, at the Coloma Resort.

Mary Sheppard, of the Department of Social Services (DSS), opened a discussion about children in foster care and their access to early intervention services. California counties are required to have a memorandum of understanding between the county welfare department and the county office of education, addressing how to meet the educational needs of children in foster care. By default, parents hold educational rights even when their children are in foster care. Re-engaging biological parents is critical to getting children in foster care the services they need. It is also important to collaborate with local agencies, and utilize liaisons to facilitate relationships with parents.

DSS is developing curriculum for social workers and social work programs based on family-focused practices for children ages birth to five. As this curriculum is developed, ICC input would be beneficial.

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) offered to share the <u>Infants and Toddlers served by Child Welfare</u> webinar, which is archived on the University of California, Davis website. This webinar provides an overview of early intervention services and the children who are served through the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act.

Public input was received at 10:15 a.m. Constituents and parents shared common experiences and insight on childrens' improvement when receiving early intervention services. There were also concerns about accessing early start services.

# **Committee Reports**

# **Improving State Systems**

Fran Chasen, Committee Chair, presented the Committee Report for Improving State Systems. The Committee discussed the following three areas for improvement, and decided to address them with members assigned to head each, as follows:

- 1) Medical Insurance: Matt Chesnut and Robin Millar
- 2) Supporting Families in the Foster Care System: Michelle Oliver
- 3) System Access and Quality: Yvette Baptiste

Michelle Oliver discussed the Parent Status form and the Parent Appointment of Educational Representative Early Start Program form. The Santa Clara Early Start Program uses these forms for children in foster care. The Council may direct their questions regarding how and when the forms are used to Ms. Oliver.

### **Communications and Outreach**

Leanne Wheeler, Committee Chair, presented the Committee report for Communications and Outreach. The Take a Minute letter was finalized and will be provided to the Council, with a request to send the letter to constituents. The Committee will create a separate ICC email to track the dissemination of the Take a Minute letter and action items. The Committee is in the process of developing an electronic survey for ICC Members to gather demographics, along with information about stakeholder groups for collaboration purposes. The Committee will also draft an outreach letter encouraging parent input and participation for the ICC. The Committee is also in the process of scheduling a one-time conference call to coordinate these action items between April and July 2017.

#### Family Resource Center Network of California (FRCNCA)

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

The FRCNCA commends WestEd and DDS on a successful Early Start Partners Symposium, which was held April 11-12, 2017 in Anaheim. The partnership between the California Department of Education (CDE) and DDS, with inclusion of the Early Start Family Resource Centers was evident and enjoyed throughout the conference. The FRCNCA was represented on the planning committee, and eight Early Start FRC members presented and partnered in breakout sessions.

FRCNCA outreach and collaboration activities included participation in the following:

- The UC Davis Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (CEDD)
   Community Advisory Committee;
- The UCLA Tarjan Center University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee;
- The USC University Center for Excellence in Disabilities (UCEDD) at Children's Hospital Los Angeles;
- The Lanterman Coalition;
- The Statewide Screening Task Force;
- The California Network of Family Strengthening/Support Networks Training and Technical Assistance Collaborative:
- The California Standards for Family Strengthening and Support Committee;
- The Arc of California Board of Directors;
- The California Family Strengthening Roundtable Steering Committee;
- The 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 its inception. FRCNCA representatives provide CECY members with information on the roles of the FRCs 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 the California Autism Professional Training and Information Network (CAPTAIN), which identifies and develops a cadre of staff with enhanced knowledge about autism and evidence-based practices across California. CAPTAIN develops local multi-agency collaborations between special education local plan areas (SELPAs), regional centers and FRCs. Statewide, 400 designated participants who have met specific criteria, have become part of the CAPTAIN cadre. More information is available at <a href="www.captain.ca.gov">www.captain.ca.gov</a>. State and federally funded parent organization representatives have been added as a part of additional funds awarded to the CEDD through an Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs grant.

Approximately 17 FRCs across the state are participating in the California PROMISE Initiative (CaPROMISE) grant. CaPROMISE provides the opportunity for multiple organizations, working in partnership, to provide a coordinated set of services and supports to child supplemental security income (SSI) recipients ages 14-16 and their families. It is designed to increase financial self-sufficiency. Participants include the California Department of Rehabilitation in partnership with several other state departments, 18 local education agencies (LEAs) and San Diego State University's Interwork Institute. CaPROMISE FRCs have received training in person centered 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. More information is available at <a href="https://www.capromise.org">www.capromise.org</a>.

Through Early Start Plus (ESP), FRC staff were able to attend webinars that included Understanding the Five Developmental Areas and Salesforce and Data Reporting 101 for Early Start Plus. Two face-to-face trainings on the topic of Trauma Informed Care, presented by Rose Messina of Children's Hospital/UC Benioff, were held in February in Sacramento and San Diego. The ESP Members Only Webpage on the FRCNCA website continues to be updated on a regular basis with information to assist FRCs in the implementation of ESP. ESP also continues with webinars, two monthly conference calls, plus one-to-one technical assistance.

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

Family Voices of California (FVCA) is a statewide collaborative of locally-based parent-run centers working to ensure quality health care for children and youth with special health care needs. At the end of February, FVCA hosted its 15th Annual Health Summit & Legislative Day in Sacramento. Families and professionals from Humboldt to San Diego came together to discuss issues that affect children and youth with special health care needs. This year's health Summit proved to be a great success with a total of 185 participants. There were approximately 98 family members and 87 professionals who attended, including staff from government agencies, health care providers, foundations, and other health-related organizations.

## **Department of Developmental Services (DDS)**

Sharon DeRego, Part C Coordinator for DDS, reported that the Part C Grant Application was completed and submitted. The Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) will be visiting DDS June 12-14, 2017. OSEP has identified target areas for analysis including:

- Indicator 1: Timely Receipt of Services;
- Indicator 3: Early Childhood Outcomes;
- Indicator 7: 45-Day Timeline; and,
- Indicator 8c: Early Childhood Transition.

DDS also submitted its Annual Performance Report and is now in the process of reviewing comments from OSEP.

#### California Department of Education (CDE)

Sheila Self of CDE participated in the Early Start Partners Symposium. CDE conducted four county LEA monitoring visits. Regional centers provided suggestions and guidance during the monitoring visits and exit interviews. Riverside, Monterey, Santa Cruz, and Santa Clara will receive technical assistance; CDE will report their findings to DDS for monitoring and compliance purposes. Ms. Self hopes to develop a transition checklist to assist agencies in helping prepare children to transition out of early start to preschool. Riverside utilizes a self-management tool that CDE will share.

#### CDE's Homeless Education Program

Leanne Wheeler presented CDE's Homeless Education Program report. The program redesigned the Homeless Education poster. Ms. Wheeler can provide copies in English and/or Spanish. Eventually, the poster will be accessible on the CDE web page under Resources for Homeless Children and Youths at http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/hs/cy/.

In addition, CDE received the 2015-16 California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) Homeless Education Data. CALPADS indicated that there were 30

homeless infants, six homeless toddlers, 1,906 homeless preschoolers, and 27,408 homeless kindergarteners enrolled in LEA-run programs during the 2015-16 school year. There were a total of 275,448 homeless children and youth enrolled that same year. CDE is finalizing the 2017 Bridges e-journal, which will emphasize homeless children and youth, and how to best collaborate and serve this vulnerable population. Once complete, ICC members will receive copies of the e-journal.

## **Department of Social Services (DSS)**

Kimberly Johnson presented the DSS report. DSS and CDE continue to work closely with a vendor, Child Trends, on a Childcare Snapshot study. The purpose of the study is to:

- Collect, generate and/or consolidate current and relevant characteristic data
- Collect, generate and/or consolidate data summaries of subsidized childcare programs from the DSS and the CDE, and providers of subsidized childcare
- Collect information on children and families receiving subsidized childcare from other sources

The information collected should establish comprehensive data and will be utilized in making policy and program decisions for the subsidized childcare system. This data will be available in the Fall of 2018.

Ms. Johnson reported that the Welfare to Work Division within DSS is strengthening its focus on family engagement and empowerment. Moving forward, the Division's overarching goal will be to engage Californians in a client-centered, integrated approach to help individuals and families improve their well-being. Ms. Johnson announced that California First Five is hosting the <a href="Child Health Education and Care Summit">Child Health Education and Care Summit</a> on April 10-12, 2018.

# **Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC)**

Suzanne Sherinian reported that DMHC has two distinct network compliance reviews that are conducted annually, 1) timely access to care; and, 2) network adequacy review. In February 2017, DMHC issued its timely access report for Measure Year (MY) 2015, which is available at <a href="https://www.healthhelp.ca.gov">www.healthhelp.ca.gov</a>. The report found that the individual reports submitted under penalty of perjury by the health plans contained significant and extensive data errors. These errors made it virtually impossible for the DMHC to measure plan compliance. The data DMHC collected concerned patient wait times related to appointment access and availability. DMHC's report also outlined what next steps DMHC and the health plans are to take to further protect enrollees and ensure timely access to care. DMHC's Office of Enforcement will be investigating the plans' deficient reporting for possible disciplinary action.

Ms. Sherinian also reported that, in February 2017, DMHC fined Anthem Blue Cross of California \$500,000 for denying claims for prenatal genetic testing services under the Hereditary Disorders Act (Health and Safety Code section 124975 et seq.). The Department of Public Health (DPH) is the sole vendor of this program and bills the health plans for this testing and has referred this matter to the DMHC for further investigation. DMHC is working on its 2016 Annual Report, which will be published on its website soon.

## **Department of Public Health (DPH)**

Dr. Richard Olney reported that DPH has formed a workgroup to address the opioid epidemic. As part of the workgroup, a taskforce will focus on maternal and neonatal opioid exposure. He also reported that Zika virus infections are present in California. There are over 100 infections that include five infants with birth defects. DPH is tracking the women with the infection.

# California Home Visiting Program (CHVP)

Monica Perez from the DPH introduced the California Home Visiting Program (CHVP). The voluntary program promotes maternal health and well-being, improves infant and child health and development, strengthens family functioning, and cultivates strong communities. The CHVP serves pregnant and newly parenting women who have risk factors such as domestic violence, inadequate income, unstable housing, substance abuse, depression and mental illness. Services are provided by either a public health nurse or a paraprofessional in the family home, begin prenatally or right after the birth of a baby, and are offered voluntarily for a period of 3-5 years. Home visiting services are offered in the family home where teachable moments arise. Families can ask questions, discuss concerns and gain valuable information. Home visitors build relationships as they provide specifically tailored services.

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Tasks	Assigned to	Deadline
Send photos of children and families	ICC	July 2017
Provide input on DSS' curriculum for	ICC	July 2017
social workers and social work programs		
based on family-focused practices for		
children ages birth to five		
Share the Infants and Toddlers served	DDS	July 2017
by Child Welfare webinar with the ICC		
Send the <i>Take a Minute</i> letter to the ICC	ICC/Communications and	July 2017
for dissemination	Outreach Committee	
Create an ICC email to track	ICC/Communications and	July 2017
dissemination of action items	Outreach Committee	
Develop a survey on ICC demographics	ICC/Communications and	July 2017
	Outreach Committee	
Draft an outreach letter for parent	ICC/Communications and	July 2017
input/participation on the ICC	Outreach Committee	
Schedule a one-time committee	ICC/Communications and	April-July
conference call to coordinate action	Outreach Committee	2017
items		

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marie Kanne Poulsen Libby Woolford\* Matt Chesnut Susan Ducore Sally Grevemberg (via conference call) Sharon DeRego (for Nancy Bargmann) Suzanne Sherinian (for Michelle Rouillard) Kimberly Johnson Richard Olney Mary Sheppard Sheila Self (for Tom Torlakson) Leanne Wheeler (via conference call)

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Assembly member Tony Thurmond John Hall\* Rachelle Arizmendi Michelle Dove Douglas Erber\* Sandra Gallardo

#### **LEAD AGENCY**

Erin Paulsen Jessica Dailey-Keithline Elise Parnes (via conference call) Alexandra Sanders Christine Bagley

#### **COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Yvette Baptiste\* Fran Chasen

Toni Doman\* (via conference call)

Rebecca Hawley\*

Laurie Jordan\* (via conference call)

Linda Landry\* (via conference call)

Kat Lowrance\*

Michelle Oliver

Nancy Sager

Debbie Sarmento\*

Tara Sisemore-Hester

Julie Widman\* Kelly Young\*

## **COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT**

**Brigitte Ammons** 

Tony Anderson

Kathy Angkustsiri

Maurine Ballard-Rosa

Wanda Davis

Susan Graham\*

Jennifer Griffin\*

Rachel Hagans

Patsy Hampton

Lucero Irizarry

Mara McGrath\*

Robin Millar Marty Omoto Celina Oppus\* Kristine Pilkington Patricia Salcedo\* Sherry Torok Mark Wild\* Gabrielle Zadra\*

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Angela McGuire\* Virginia Reynolds Christina Johnson Kirsten Yeates Monica Perez

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