

Children with Special Health Care Needs East Region

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Welcome and General Announcements	<p>Introductions were made. We welcome new staff from Lincoln, Adams, and Whitman counties.</p> <p>DOH welcomes new staff (see minutes from the meeting) and still has open positions for a Project LAUNCH Grant Evaluator and ECCS Grant Coordinator.</p>	
Review of State Minutes	<p>CHIF Update – Christy Polking talked about how they have gotten a quote for in-house design for the new data base. They have not decided yet if they will go with an in-house or out-of-house plan. It is hoped that this update will be completed by Fall 2016.</p> <p>Nursing Consultant updates: WAC #246-760 – Ellen Silverman shared that WA State has the role for school-based vision screenings (schools are required to do distance vision screening) with the option to screen near, color, etc. There is a Bill being proposed to add mandatory Near vision screening in the Senate. The HCA wants people to write waiver requests for things not covered.</p> <p>Foster Care Managed Care Contract Status – Elizabeth Allen and Colette Jones reported that our state has legislatively mandated all children in foster care be in a managed care plan.</p>	

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	<p>Contracts went out for bid and the contract was awarded to Coordinated Care. April 1 is now the proposed time for this change over to occur. There needs to be systems in place so that enrollment happens. We received a FAQs page of questions that Coordinated Care gets most. (this was sent out) There will be a 90 day transition period. Nothing changes around access to care. They shared that this change is to impact foster children, children receiving adoption support, and the alumni group (those that are age 18-26 and have aged out). It was shared that those on adoption support or in the alumni group can opt out or be fee for service. Those children that are on the MICP-waiver program through DDA for in-home nursing services and native populations have the ability to opt-in or opt-out of apple health.</p> <p><u>MCH Block grant work groups</u> – Looking at focus of work, CHIF reporting, MCH action item plan, Access to Medical Home, technical assistance, Case Management (different priority areas). The first webinar included 17 people with the first one happening on Tuesday of this week. Webinars will be in February (weekly).</p> <p>Peer to Peer Topical Calls – There are a total of 7 of these scheduled on the first Thursday of the month.</p> <p>New Medicaid clients – In past, a client would qualify for Medicaid eligibility and start with fee for service, then transition to managed care. Now, they have “earlier enrollment” and care in a managed care program will start the same day.</p> <p>New staff- Meredith Pyle talked about the new staff, please refer to the CSHCN Comm Net minutes.</p> <p>The Technical Assistance Family Leadership Project is sending five people to New Jersey to do a site visit of the SPAN model (see minutes). The hope is that these five people will then figure out how to implement that model.</p> <p>Exciting WA milestone is that Medicaid reimbursement for developmental and autism screening came into effect as of 1/1/16.</p> <p><u>Upcoming Grant Opportunities – Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS)</u>: current funding ends 7-31-16. Feb 1st is the new grant deadline and there will only be 15 grants for 3 years duration.</p> <p>Autism State Implementation: WA had one of these from 2008-2011. Funding announcement will be March 11 for a 3 year grant. (Hoping to increase diagnosis and entry into services).</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement will be coming: this will be key. They want to hear from staff in developing this grant.</p> <p><u>Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative(TCPI)</u> – Meredith Pyle reported that they will keep us all informed on this process. (Please see state minutes.)</p> <p><u>Emergency Preparedness and Response Project</u> – Received \$27,000 to look at this. (see state minutes).</p> <p><u>Care Coordination Query to MCOs</u> – (see state minutes).</p>	<p>Contact michelle.hoffman@doh.wa.gov</p> <p>Contact ellen.silverman@doh.wa.gov</p>

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	<p>“Raising of America”, Olympia Screening – The PBS film will be shown in Olympia on January 27, 2016. (see state minutes).</p> <p>Question posed to group-Where do you see gaps in Care? Responses to this question were around Comprehensive family training, having ABA providers once children get diagnosed with Autism, Private duty nursing-children get authorized for hours, but don’t get the hours filled as there are not enough staff to fill them.</p> <p>Needs Assessment around CSHCN population – Meredith Pyle reported that information will be coming from Great LINCS around the needs assessment. They looked at needs versus capacity.</p> <p>Health Care Integration Update Training Session #1 – Stefanie Zier did a presentation on the Substitute Senate Bill 6312 that addresses how the state purchases mental health and substance use disorder services in the Medicaid program. (see state minutes) Bottom line from this presentation was that we won’t really see a change in services that are delivered, there will just be “behind the scenes” changes in how things are paid for.</p> <p>K01 plan – is still available to families.</p> <p>Medical Home work – Kate Orville is interested in how PHNs are communicating with doctor’s offices.</p> <p>UW CSHCN Nutrition Project – Mari Mazon was present on behalf of Sharon Feucht and reported that they had a training in Spokane and got 13 new people trained. They have a webinar coming up in a few weeks. They continue transitioning fragile infants from NICUs.</p> <p>Washington State Fathers Network – Louis Mendoza reported that they have seven chapters currently. There is interest in starting a chapter in the Tri Cities. He talked about Camp Korey, a medically fragile organization. The hope is to have a weekend retreat for dads to take their child with CSHCN and give mom and siblings a break.</p> <p>Screening and Genetics Unit – Deb Lochner Doyle reported that at the last legislative session, they adopted a critical congenital heart disease screening process (with no money attached to this). They are looking at infant death and seeing if there were issues around Congenital Heart Defects that weren’t caught. There is work being done around a screen for Adrenoleukodystrophy-a fatty chain that accumulates in the body, usually in males, and they can develop neuropathies. This impacts the thyroid. Deb thought that possibly in July of next year that this screening will begin.</p>	<p>Contact http://www.FathersNetwork.org</p>
Roundtable Adams	Callie Moore retired from Adams County at the end of December 2015. Leslie Spencer took her place and will be working in that role.	
Asotin	Asotin County is seeing more preemie babies in the past few months than they have in a while. Their Foster Care system is really overloaded and kids are being sent to Spokane and other areas. They have a couple of new homes in the process of being certified, but are losing more than that due to retirement, etc.	

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	Diane Rousseau, CSHCN Coordinator for this county, has joined forces with a newly formed Valley wide resiliency Workgroup and they have added ACEs into their MCH plan.	
Lincoln	<p>Sherri Bartlett retired at the end of December 2015. Jolene Erickson took her place and is learning CSHCN.</p> <p>Jolene appreciated the January 7 topical call which gave an overview of CSHCN.</p> <p>Lincoln County Health Department has decided to stop providing immunization services in general. Might possibly continue with flu vaccines for adults.</p>	
Spokane	<p>There was concern over one of the largest providers of Synagis in the Spokane area that quit providing this medication, which would potentially affect many premature infants. There is a plan in place though for families to access this medication through their primary provider offices.</p> <p>1-2-3 Care Toolkit- Public Health Nurses in Spokane developed a Trauma-Sensitive Toolkit for Caregivers of children and had it completed in time for the Young Child Expo and conference in October 2015. They will be presenting on the April 7 MCHBG topical call from 9am-10am.</p> <p>Universal Developmental Screening (UDS) update- The goal was to have at least 5 providers on board to initiate the screenings in their practice. At this time, there are 13 providers that are participating in this process.</p>	The link is srhd.org/123care.asp
Guest Speaker	The Regional Reps portion of our meeting happened just before the CSHCN Communication Network meeting on this date, so we did not have a guest speaker during that time.	
Future Meeting Dates	<p>The next CSHCN East Region meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2016, from 10am-3pm, at Spokane Regional Health District, room 311.</p> <p>Scheduled meetings after that date are for August 11, from 10am-3pm, at Spokane Regional Health District, room 311(Melissa Charbonneau Rep) and November 10, from 10am-3pm, at Spokane Regional Health District, room 311. (Jan Steinbach Rep)</p>	
Minutes taken by:	Melissa Charbonneau	