

## Integration and Alignment Committee (IAC) Meeting

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

10:30am- 12:40pm

The Ounce: 33 W. Monroe, 24<sup>th</sup> floor, Executive Committee Room

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### Meeting Agenda

#### 1) Welcome and Introductions (10 mins.)

*Karen Berman/ Shauna Egeh*

10:30- 10:40am

##### *In person:*

Carmen Garcia  
Erika Mendez  
Fiona Anderson  
Jamilah Jordan  
Julia Zhu  
Karen Berman  
Kathy Chan  
Kaylan Szafranski  
Leah Pouw  
Lori Orr  
Sandy De León

##### *On phone:*

Bethany Patten  
Carolyn Newberry-Schwartz  
Dan Harris  
Erin Liedell  
George Davis  
Jeanna Capito  
Judith Walker-Kendrick  
Lynn Burgett  
Madelyn James  
Melissa Gould  
Sessy Nyman  
Shauna Egeh

#### 2) Review IAC meeting minutes from 09.27.2017 (5 mins.)

*Shauna Egeh*

10:40- 10:45am

Minutes from 09.27.2017 IAC meeting were reviewed: Judith Walker-Kendrick made 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve minutes, Kaylan Szafranski made 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. All were in favor, none opposed.

#### 3) Federal and State Updates (15 mins.)

*OECD*

10:45- 11:00am

- The Children's Cabinet is currently focused on three projects- 1) Decreasing the childhood lead burden, 2) IL apprenticeship Plus initiative, and 3) Early Childhood Education Workforce Development. They will be going into continuity phase given that the Children's Cabinet has been working on these initiatives for 12-18 months. They would like to see projects continue in long term through plan that will be finalized at the next Children's Cabinet meeting on March 8. Presentation and selection of new projects will also take place there.
- OECD and ISBE collaboratively applied for Preschool Development Grant Supplemental Funding. The U.S Department of Education and Health and Human Services approved the proposal and granted Illinois supplemental funds. The supplemental funding will allow for implementation of three initiatives:

- *A demonstration project will be implemented providing racial equity training to a small cohort of leadership staff in Preschool Expansion Grant programs, adapting existing resources on racial equity in early childhood settings to reflect the responsibilities of program administrators.*
- *A community systems portal website will be created to facilitate inter-regional collaboration and the sharing of information. The Portal will house a feedback loop for community systems development and will serve as a clearinghouse for best practices and resources pertaining to community collaborations and systems development.*
- *Build out structures that are needed for high-fidelity implementation of the Pyramid Model into PDG-Expansion programs. The intent of implementing the pyramid model into programs is to provide high quality professional development to staff and continue to expand the high quality of preschool programs; resulting in universal and targeted supports for children's positive behavior and social-emotional development*
- Jamilah R. Jordan, Ph.D. has now joined the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development as Deputy Director.

**4) CCAP Health & Safety Training and Monitoring requirements (15 mins.)**

*George Davis*

11:00- 11:15am

- The Access Committee looked at experience of CCAP providers in Cook and DeKalb counties working to meet Health & Safety Training requirement with the help and support of their respective CCR&Rs. Findings include:
  - Pace of completion of requirements, for both Licensed and License-exempt providers, has slowed since deadline was moved. Currently, no deadline is in place.
  - Computer-based training is large challenge, particularly for license-exempt providers, who have no or very limited computer knowledge/skills.
  - CPR training is expensive; Cost is a barrier for providers.
- There is concern about impact that non-completion of training requirements will have on children who are currently served by CCAP providers.
- Draft questions and concerns to submit to IDHS about these issues include: What data will be collected? For children being cared for in their home, will address be publicized and called "inadequate", considering it's the child's residence? Confidentiality and privacy needs of residential homes/families should be considered. Will there be unintended consequences for drop in providers?
- Cost and availability of CPR trainings during various times/different locations needs to be assessed and considered. It was shared that although a provider can apply for reimbursement of training costs, they still have to provide expense up front so expense continues to be a barrier. Data around this topic should be collected if possible.
- On January 19<sup>th</sup>, the Access Committee will have a phone call from 2-3pm. Details and information will be sent out to IAC listing.

**5) ECBG Technical Assistance update (15 mins.)**

*Jeanna Capito*

11:15- 11:30am

- Technical Assistance (TA) has been focused on reaching communities and providers that have not applied in past and need additional supports. TA was privately funded by Harris and McCormick Foundations.
- TA meetings were held in Decatur and Moraine Valley. They have had overwhelming response- approximately 120 attended in Decatur and 180 at Moraine Valley site. They were

- all-day events, which included Reviewing RFPs, components, and intent and Q/A in small groups focused on specific areas including mental health consultation, budget and inclusion. A survey was completed for in-person TA events.
- Technical Assistance webinar was also completed: [December 12 TA Webinar](#). There were approximately 90 attendees.
  - Brief coverage of PI (0-3) was completed at past TA events and webinar, so this month there will be an all-day event next Friday in Springfield and a webinar on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup>. Registration link can be found [here](#).
  - Webinar specific to Inclusion was also provided, with 60-70 attendees joining.
  - IECAM recorded additional webinar focused on RFP: <http://iecam.illinois.edu/webinars/2017dec21/>
  - Preschool for All (PFA) - proposal due on Jan. 12, 2018 by 4pm
  - Preschool for All Expansion (PFAE) - proposal due on Jan. 12, 2018 by 4pm
  - Prevention Initiative (PI) - proposal due on Feb. 9, 2018 by 4pm
  - More information on each of these can be found on the [ISBE Early Childhood website](#).
  - There was challenge with the Risk and Reach gap. It was recommended that we continue to dialogue about this topic and build a data set given the different circumstances that communities are in and their capacity to provide services. For example, there are some high risk school districts that are small and do not have many children, in addition to not having space offer services onsite. Keeping this in consideration, is the best approach then to partner across communities when applying to meet local needs? Additionally, how do we build data and refine it?

**6) Early Childhood Block Grant (ECBG) (30 mins.)**

*ISBE*

11:30- 12:00pm

- Update: FY18 and FY19 RFPs
- Discussion: Opportunities for continued ISBE-IAC partnership post-recompete
- For FY18, ECBG RFP award letters for PFA/PFAE/PI should be received by February 1, 2018.
- For FY19, ECBG RFP applications for PFA and PFAE are due by Jan. 12, 2018 by 4pm; PI applications should be submitted by Feb. 9, 2018 at 4pm. ISBE anticipates notifying awardees by April 2018.
- The final date to receive scores for KIDS assessment is January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A discussion regarding opportunities for continued ISBE-IAC partnership post-recompete was completed. ISBE expressed interest in continuing format of IAC ECBG ad-hoc workgroups to discuss findings and takeaways that can inform and further improve future competitive processes. Topics raised during discussion included:
  - Illinois Action for Children has a set of questions that was used for PreK Expansion that perhaps can be used in followup with new providers to track capacity-building process and identify issue areas. It would be great to be able to learn from this year's re-competition through this process.
  - It would be ideal to be able to complete a blind survey with both, applicants that were awarded and those that were not. This will allow us to identify trends, demographics, and themes.

**7) IAC Subcommittee updates (40 mins.)**

*Shauna Eje*

12:00- 12:40pm

- Health

*Sessy Nyman/ Kathy Chan*

- The last meeting partly focused on informing memberships of the full state expansion of Medicaid-Managed Care called Health Choice IL.
- Last year an RFP was released for Managed Care Organizations (MCOs). Although, Managed Care is newer to Illinois, it is not for other states. MCOs oversee coordination of care for individuals, which then helps to reduce costs and improve health.
- The number of MCOs/health plans has decreased under the new statewide rollout but they now all have to be able to provider services state-wide, with two exceptions- CountyCare Health Plan and NextLevel Health Partners, which only serve Cook County. Also one MCO, IlliniCare, will provide care for children/ youth that are in care of DCFS and those with special healthcare needs (DSCC and other qualifiers), as of July 1, 2018.
- Starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be an expansion to areas that did not have Medicaid-Managed Care prior to 2018.
- There may be incentives for MCOs to work with early childhood sector. Pediatric quality measures may present opportunities for cross-sector collaboration and for MCO care coordination teams to be aware of supports available from early childhood community. The IAC health Subcommittee hopes to identify overlap between early childhood program health requirements and federal performance measures that health plans are accountable for in order to advance work specific to/with the MCO community.

- Community Systems Development

*Leah Pouw/Julia Zhu/ Jeanna Capito*

- Edna Navarro-Vidaurre is no longer at IAFC and so no longer chairing CSD Subcommittee. Julia Zhu from OECD and Leah Pouw from IAFC will now be chairing CSD with Jeanna Capito moving forward.
- IAFC has been awarded T/TA grant by ISBE and currently looking to identify how CSD will play part in implementation. Discussions around this topic will be taking place at future CSD meetings.
- Next CSD meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2018.

- Inclusion

*Kristy Doan/ Chelsea Guillen*

- The Subcommittee has not met since the last IAC meeting. In the interim, Inclusion has continued to work on recommendations with DHS and how inclusion should be worked into provision of child care. A presentation was provided at ELC full meeting.
- An Early Intervention (EI)-Home Visiting convening took place in November 2017 in response to federal statement on collaboration and coordination between the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting program (MIECHV) and EI. The convening aimed to identify the state's current standing in this area. A report summarizing the findings for Illinois and areas to work on moving forward will be released this month.

- Data, Research, and Evaluation (DRE)

*Carmen Garcia*

- DRE is working on recommendations for creation of a toolkit that aims to help with effective data sharing practices and building analytical capacity. There are also recommendations for what state agencies can and should do to improve data sharing. DRE will share and discuss

- data toolkit with CSD at their meeting scheduled for February 8, 2018 given that toolkit focuses on community level data practices.
- Subcommittee is working to update Research Agenda and see if any research has been completed in identified areas.
  - Next DRE meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2018.

#### 8) Reminders

- Integration & Alignment (IAC) meeting:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER: Wednesday, March 28, 2018: 10:30am-1:00pm
  - 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER: Wednesday, May 30, 2018: 10:30am-1:00pm
- ELC Executive Committee Meeting:  
Location: ISBE Video Conference Rooms in Chicago and Springfield
  - Monday, April 2, 2018: 1:00-4:00pm
  - Monday, June 4, 2018: 1:00-4:00pm
- Early Learning Council (full) meeting: Monday, June 18, 2018  
Location: TBD  
Time: 11:00am-2:00pm
- **Handouts:** Meeting agenda (01.10.2018), Minutes: IAC mtg. (09.27.2017), Medicaid Managed Care Expansion Map