



Ida County Early Childhood Iowa Committee Meeting

Siouxland Human Investment Partnership
Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: Thursday, January 14, 2021 2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Meeting Site:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88357488726?pwd=ZURMaUpqVXZsTHRaQ1JBTUxwRXd3UT09>

Attendees: Brenna Franken, Dick Sievers, Megan Miller, Alexia Klemish, Linsey Gilbert

- Legislative Updates
 - Association of ECI Area Boards
 - Legislative Agenda

Association of Early Childhood Iowa Area Boards and Advocates, attached is an amended legislative agenda for this legislative session

January 11th First day of session - Governor Reynolds delivered her annual Condition of the State Address on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:00 -

Reynolds says she wants to allocate \$3 million toward public-private partnerships to develop **child care** facilities. Another \$25 million in block grants would promote **child care** startups. Good start

- Iowa Department of Management
 - Early Childhood Iowa State Structure
 - Updates

Statewide Family Support Annual Report, Local FS Data Comparison, ECI State System Structure,

QSP - SLIDE 1

QSP or (Quality Services and Programs) is *A component group that is responsible for investigating and promoting quality practices for the Early Care, Health and Education system.*

The component group was made up of 3, now 4, primary workgroups.

Early Childhood Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) -
State Child Care Advisory Group -
Family Support Leadership Group
and we have recently added back in Project Launch - with their Early Childhood Infant
Mental Health lens

Co-Chairs of these 4 groups serve as members of the QSP Leadership Group and bring
their knowledge and expertise!

These groups meet regularly throughout the year and report back to the QSP group with
their progress, to pose questions, and gather feedback!

SLIDE 2

With the invaluable support of the ECI state office the QSP Leadership group is now
scaling up.

As stated, we currently have membership from the 4 workgroups, but are adding other
at large members as well- based on knowledge and interest, including that of the ECI
State Board as well as other local entities. We have a great group of thinkers who care
about Early Childhood and want to continue to build on those efforts!

We are meeting quarterly via a virtual platform and spend a great deal of that meeting
time discussing the work being done in the committees - brief updates from each are as
follows:

EC PBIS: PBIS training modules for family support exist and the EC-PBIS committee
has formed a PBIS Scale-Up Workgroup to focus on family support and utilizing the
current PBIS training modules and next step considerations. Once the training is
updated the group will need to coordinate a dissemination plan/ scale-up.
The new ECI website will feature an Early Childhood Mental Health page.
In FY21 we anticipate beginning a pilot with 10 early learning programs to utilize a new
data-system to collect EC-PBIS data (data on coaching sessions, training,
environments, ect.). A universal data-system (I2D2) will help inform and strengthen EC-
PBIS strategy use and outcomes.

SCCAC - The State Child Care Advisory Committee has utilized systems thinking tools
to reflect upon the current status and needs of child care at a system level. The sub-
groups have been focused on how child care can be supported during COVID and
reviewing current child care guidelines for centers. While these two topics are not solely
connected, they are in conversation simultaneously as these were two emerging needs.
The State Child Care Advisory group will meet quarterly while the two subgroups meet
more frequently in attention to the two emerging needs.

FSLG: Lunch and Learns began about 2.5 years ago with the goal to share available
resources for professionals working with families. Lunch and Learns are hosted on the
third Thursday of the month, with a repeat on Friday at noon. During COVID, Snack and
Shares began on Mondays at 3:00pm. Topics for either virtual connection have been
generated from participants in the virtual meetings and/or from the family support field

(users of DAISEY and now extended stakeholders based on their outreach to be included). We are going to add these events to the new ECI website *Events and News* page which will extend the reach!

And the newest Committee is Project Launch - There have been multiple presentations to the Children's Behavioral Health System State Board and partners across ECI have been focused on presenting strategies and supports for prevention. The board has currently been focused on crisis care. There are many topics of concern and planning conversations for the board are still underway.

Project LAUNCH, which currently has a grant from August 2019- August 2024, recently conducted a workforce study to identify current consultants, sectors the consultants work in, current professional development needs, etc. An executive summary will be drafted and will help inform the next steps for reflective consultation. Currently, twelve mental health consultants will be receiving reflective consultation this year. An Alliance of states will be developed in 2021 to begin to support each other in moving from pilot projects to statewide initiatives.

So, what's next for QSP Leadership:

- Identify shared early childhood system priorities.
- What information, data, and updates would be helpful to inform the next steps.

- Ida & Woodbury Counties
 - Early Childhood Programs
 - Updates

Brenna Logitec crayon to use on iPad to be able to use home visit sheets – Meditddy that is bendable and much better to teach physical aspects to parents (in person to go into head start and preschools but birth to 3 is virtual) COVID Money and grant cares act funds paid for it (Sue Moran)

Linsey – COVID has slowed a little Nov. was pretty rough, had a program in Ida that had to close down for a while due to COVID (typically two week closures) Ida has not been as bad in Ida as in Woodbury – 1st visit in a long time coming up next week will be meeting with staff in an area when children don't gather (CPR and Medication administrations all have extensions but worries that DHS will have a short deadline to get it all done once extension is lifted.) Vaccine has not been studied in children

SDHD – started vaccine clinics for EMS this week

- Ida/Woodbury County
 - Community Needs Assessment
 - Community Plan
 - Surveys
 - Community Meeting

- IDOM Meeting with Providers
 - Parent Survey-210 responses since April 2020
 - Woodbury County Provider Survey-113 responses since April 2020
 - Ida County Provider Survey-22 responses since April 2020
 - Spanish-1 response
 - Oromo-0 responses
 - Vietnamese-0 responses
 - Somali-0 responses
 - Family Support Survey-3 responses

- Agency Updates / Other Business

- Adjourn
 - Next Meeting is Thursday February 13, 2021