

# STATE OF MISSOURI Coordinating Board for Early Childhood

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Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood Home Visiting Workgroup DHSS – Conference Room Walnut 930 Wildwood Drive Jefferson City Mo 65109

> Meeting Minutes 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Those present: Cindy Reese, JoAnne Ralston, Sharmini Rogers, Alison Gee, Melinda Ohlemiller, Nancy Reid, Joy Oesterly, Pam Thomas, Lana Brooks, Emily Van Schenkhof, Mary Moffatt, Monica Nielsen-Parker, and by phone Stacey Wright.

Introductions were completed. JoAnne Ralston is currently the Chair of the Workgroup as a member of CBEC. It was discussed that there is a lot going on nationally with Home Visiting and so there is new motivation to try to move forward with some of the suggestions from the workgroup.

Emily Van Schenkhof is the new Executive Director for the Children's Trust Fund and will represent them on this group. Emily brought the group information from the Joint Committee to Advance Child Abuse Prevention. The joint committee developed a top 10 list of policy proposals that were presented to Senator Jeannie Riddle who then paired the list down to 4. They are:

- 1) Home Visiting
- 2) Child Abuse Investigations
- 3) Law Enforcement Investigations
- 4) Foster Care

Emily will be chairing a Home Visiting task force to review currently policies and procedures that could then inform the Joint Committee and continue to move forward with implementation.

### Questions:

Would the CBEC Home Visiting Work Group become the new task force group?

Would Emily create a Home Visiting task force work group and invite members from the



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### **CBEC Home Visiting Work Group?**

JoAnne will take this to CBEC for their input and Emily will continue to move forward with setting up a task force meeting just as she has done with other task forces she has chaired inviting the people on this group. Part of the task force charge will be to create a fiscal note and policy notes. There was a discussion about the need for representation from all state agencies serving young children and their families on the joint committee.

Mary Moffatt and Monica Nielsen-Parker presented the Children's Mercy/Promise 1000 initiative to the group via a Power Point. Also they provided a 2 page document regarding the highlights of Promise 1000. Currently promise 1000 is located in the Kansas City Metro area serving 7 counties in MO and 6 counties in Kansas. Promise 1000 was based on the work of Every Child Succeeds from Cincinnati Hospital and United Way of Cincinnati. Currently Promise 1000 just started its 5th year and will be enrolling more families through their central intake process. Last year the target was to serve 500 children and families, they actually served 400. This year the goal is to serve 1000 and at the last update on enrollment they were at 700. Promise 1000 uses the Redcap system for the data collection.

The group next turned its focus back to the CBEC HV Work Group vision for a Missouri home visiting system and where to go from here. There was discussion that a system doesn't have to mean 1 state agency, but it can mean several agencies working together with 1 of them being the lead agency.

Secondly answering the questions: 1) What is a quality system? and 2) Do we have all of those things in our programs?

We all understand the value of Home Visiting and the need to have a coordinated and integrated system, but moving forward will need to continue to outline what that system will look like.

### **Next Steps:**

- 1) JoAnne will talk with CBEC about the task force and potentially combining the groups
- 2) Emily will set up a task force meeting and invite the CBEC HV work group members to become part of the task force.
- Review of the stakeholder notes that the workgroup has been assembling.
  - a. One thought was to add more detail on what action steps the workgroup would like to pursue.
  - b. To continue defining the actual mission, vision, and values for the stakeholder notes.