

Early Childhood Mental Health Workgroup
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10:00AM – 3 PM

Department of Mental Health
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Conference Room A

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Notes

- **Presentation by Deborah J. Weatherston, PhD, IMHE® IV, Michigan Assoc. for Infant Mental Health:** Power Point provided
- **Presentation by Cindy Burks, Department of Social Services, Child Care Development Block Grant Update:** Power Point provided
- **Update on ECMH Provider Training:** The second cohort of the ECMH provider training/collaborative kicked off on Friday, June 12th. 30 participants attended the training from Community Mental Health Centers and other provider organizations. The second collaborative is being funded by the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Health Care and the Missouri Department of Social Services. The second all day training is July 25th. The ECMH Workgroup will discuss a funding request to the Coordinating Board for Early Childhood at the August 17th meeting.
- **Core Competencies:** The group continued to discuss the development of core competencies. After reviewing several documents outlining other efforts discussed not having the right representation on the committee. We still have not reached consensus on whether or not this group will actually develop the core competencies. We also had a discussion regarding the development of an Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Association and the potential that once established they would purchase the core competencies from Michigan. More than 20 states now use the core competencies developed by Michigan. The group discussed whether our time would be better spent developing an implementation & buy-in plan rather than developing the competencies. **Next steps:** identify groups we need to convince of the value of core competencies and in what order. Thoughts included: Coalition for Community Behavioral Health Care, MCCA, ChildCare Aware, State Agencies (DMH, DHSS, DESE, DHE, DSS), American Academy of Pediatrics, CBEC, CBEC other workgroups, Who do we need to move first? Once we engage and how will it mobilize them? Who can we enlist to help us advance and what is the message?