

Report for the Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood
January 2016

Department: Department of Health and Senior Services: Early Childhood Comprehensive System (ECCS) and Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)

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Report as of: December 22, 2015 for the period of September 16, 2015 through December 21, 2015.

| Action Items Completed | Date Completed | Strategic Plan Reference |
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| <p>The ECCS State Steering Committee met on October 20, 2015. The committee heard a presentation from the Department of Social Services, Family Support Division on Senate Bill 24 which impacts Temporary Assistance for families.</p> | <p>October 20, 2015</p> | <p>Infrastructure: Governance and Leadership: Goals: The governance structure supports coordination and collaboration for an integrated comprehensive system.</p> |
| <p>Trauma Responsiveness training was provided in Columbia/Boone County to the Columbia Public Schools Parents as Teachers home visitors and to the Title I Preschool staff in September and October.</p> | <p>October 22, 2015</p> | <p>Mental Health and Social Emotional Development: Objectives: Collaborative efforts in communities identify social, emotional and behavioral risks and intervene to prevent more serious mental health problems.</p> |
| <p>ECCS along with MIECHV piloted a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) initiative in Joplin in November. The purpose of this was for the MIECHV program to be able to gather more community input for CQI purposes. This was done in a World Café format and was very successful. We will begin doing this quarterly.</p> | <p>November 5, 2015</p> | <p>Infrastructure: Quality Assurance and Accountability: Desired Outcome: Quality assurance and accountability is integrated into and throughout Missouri's Early Childhood System. Goals: State and local communities use cross-sector data for planning, analysis, decision-making, and evaluation.</p> |
| <p>The fourth quarterly call/webinar with the local/regional stakeholder teams for 2015 was held on November 18, 2015. The topic was Public Awareness. Morgan McAboy Young with the Department of Health and Senior Services, Office of Public Information and Paula Cunningham with the Children's Trust Fund presented on how to use social media and ideas for April which is Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention month.</p> | <p>November 18, 2015</p> | <p>Infrastructure, Governance and Leadership: Goals: Missouri public policies ensure a comprehensive and integrated early childhood system, built on a foundation of collaborative governance and leadership at the state and local level. Public Engagement: Desired Outcome: The public is actively engaged and invested in the well-being of Missouri's young children and families. Goals: Stakeholders deliver a consistent message regarding the needs of children and families in Missouri.</p> |

| Action Items In-progress/Pending | Date | Strategic Plan Reference |
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| <p>A workgroup of the steering committee has been formed to brand and disseminate the Early Childhood Strategic Plan. This workgroup met on September 4, 2015 and developed a multifaceted plan for using social media for this work.</p> | <p>Ongoing</p> | <p>Infrastructure: Public Engagement: Goals: Stakeholders deliver a consistent message regarding the needs of children and families in Missouri.</p> |
| <p>The ECCS and DMH is continuing work with the YWCA Head Start in St. Louis to become a trauma informed agency. Their trauma committee met on October 23, 2015, November 6, 2015 and December 3, 2015. Patsy Carter met with their Policy Council to discuss trauma on December 3, 2015.</p> | <p>Ongoing</p> | <p>Mental Health and Social-Emotional Development: Long-Term Activity: Ensure that best practice standards and protocols for screening young children for emotional, social and behavioral risk factors, including the use of culturally appropriate tools and processes, are integrated into the comprehensive early childhood system.</p> |
| <p>The planning committee working on the spring 2016 parent leadership event has expanded to include the Children’s Division, Missouri Kids Count, and the Head Start State Collaboration Office. The committee has met on October 27, 2015; November 4, 2015; November 13, 2015; November 17, 2015; and December 14, 2015. Funding from DHSS-ECCS, CTF, and DHSS-MIECHV will be put into a bid to contract with an entity to put on the event.</p> | <p>Ongoing</p> | <p>Governance and Leadership: Objectives: Develop a system for advancing family leadership that includes training, mentoring, and linkage of families with diverse leadership opportunities.</p> |
| <p>The six agencies trained in Parent Cafés will begin implementation and will conduct 2 series of cafés over the next year. These agencies are in mid-Missouri and northwest Missouri.</p> | <p>August 1, 2015- June 30, 2016</p> | <p>Family Support: Objectives: Develop a system of family support that enhances protective factors in families. Long-term activities: Partner to support the implementation of statewide family leadership opportunities. Promote and support the Strengthening Families approach throughout Missouri.</p> |
| <p>The MIECHV program received a new FY2016 Formula Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) with an application due date of January 19, 2016. This FOA sets the stage for a new “re-designed” framework for the MIECHV program nationally. The MIECHV program through several conference calls received input from representatives from ECCS and CBEC along with</p> | <p>January 19, 2016</p> | <p>Parenting Education: Desired Outcome: Supportive and nurturing family environments for Missouri’s young children are enhanced by the integration of parenting education into the early childhood system. Goals: Community agencies and programs effectively engage families in ways that support their parenting. Long-Term Activities: Support an in-depth analysis of existing parenting</p> |

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| local implementing agencies to prepare the response to the FOA. | | education and home visiting programs to ensure that they employ best practices and are serving families most in need. |
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Bold = New items

Announcements:

- The next ECCS State Steering Committee meeting will be held on January 7, 2015 from 1:00 to 4:00 at 930 Wildwood, Jefferson City, MO.

Questions for the board/larger group:

Other Notes:

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