

BVCS Early Childhood Iowa SAC COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Vision: “Every child beginning at birth will be healthy and successful”

Sac County BVCS Early Childhood Iowa Advisory Council

Date: Monday April 7, 2014 **Time: 9:00 am** Location: Sac County Court House Annex, 116 South State Street

SIGN-IN AND INTRODUCTIONS: Mollie Scott, Decat/CPPC; Cathie Page, Family Resource Center; Kisti Neumann, CAASA; Jayne Wilhelm, Sac County Mentoring – New Opp.; Ranell Drake, Sac County Supervisor; Kelli Jensen, Audubon County Coordinator – New Opp.; Amanda Handley, Sac County Family Development Center; Christy Jenkins, Prevention Director, New Opportunities; Jackie Duffy, Sac County Health Services; Ashleigh Wiederin, 1st Five Coordinator, New Opp.; Annette Koster, BVCS Early Childhood Iowa.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: approved

Speaker: Amanda Handley is the new Family Development Center staff she provided information on the services available at the Sac County Family Development Center. Currently applications for the “back pack” program for East Sac County Schools have been processed. The food back is currently well stocked with donations from the community. Currently have need of small furniture (end tables etc...) or household items. Suggested to contact Carol Groen with Partners for Progress they collect items for “Free Cycle” store items in a storage unit. SHARE program monthly bundles of food at discount prices. Items may include protein, produce, etc. Items are preordered and packaged, Food stamps are accepted; ask for 2 hours of community services in return. Looking for donations of kids clothing in good condition (babies – teenage). Energy assistance applications accepted until the end of April will have a mobile unit in Odebolt. Looking for getting an Experienced Work Person (over 55 not working) to help at the center. Have them contact Amanda H.

Level of Excellence meeting April 30th an invitation to attend the Community Partner portion was provided. A handout was including possible items the reviewers may ask.

Ashley Wiederin 1st Five Coordinator with New Opportunities focuses on trainings with providers (doctors, office managers, nurses, physician’s assistants). Dr. Wolf out of the University of Iowa is available to assist with trainings, on ACES’s, Social Emotionalism Screen or Standardized implementation electronic charts, Stewards of Children to name a few. Once flagged send onto resources for child or family in the community for the 0 – 5 population.

Jackie Duffy reported Carrie Coats will be returning from maternity leave on April 17th. Ann Osborn covered some of Carries caseload.

Cathie Page reported needing referrals for the FaDDS program for Sac County. Referrals may come from anyone as long as the family is on FIP.

A National Walk will be held on Wed from 9:00 - 10:00.

Prevent Child Abuse Conference in April 14 – 16th.

East Sac County schools is doing parent surveys on Begindergarten, Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and Kindergarten. The school may limit number of children in TK.

AGENCY - COMMUNITY SHARING/NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN COMMUNITY:

Annette Koster shared a flyer from the Sac County Library

WRAP-UP & ADJOURN The next Sac County Advisory Council is scheduled for June 9, 2013.

Next scheduled meeting for BVCS 3-County Board meeting “Big Board”: Wednesday April 30th at 10:00 a.m. - Trinity Lutheran Church 612 S Dewey Street, Odebolt Please RSVP if you plan to attend.

2000 Days: There are approximately **2000 days between the birth and the first day of kindergarten**. The first **2000** days of a child’s life can have a **PROFOUND** and **LIFELONG** impact on **physical and emotional wellbeing, readiness to learn and succeed**, and ability to become a **productive citizen**.