



Pulling Together for the Children of Frederick County

Frederick County Interagency Early Childhood Committee

A Subcommittee of the Local Management Board

Mission Statement:

To promote the healthy development and well-being of young children and their families through community collaboration

Meeting Minutes

1/6/22

Attendees:

1. Barbara May, Family Partnership – Co-Chair
2. Jessica Lertora, Frederick County Safe Babies Court Team Program– Co-Chair
3. Jen Russo, Judy Center at BRES
4. Colleen Guardia, YMCA Head Start
5. Pilar Olivo, FC Office for Children & Families
6. Nancy Boyd, Community Member
7. Claudia Hernandez, FCPS Judy Center
8. Jim Miller, FC DSS
9. Patty Morison, Child Care Choices, MHA
10. Lisa Martinis, Arc of FC
11. Kelly Robins, FCPS Early Childhood
12. Shelly Toms, FC Office for Children & Families
13. Sarah Ford, FC Office for Children & Families
14. Diana Fulchiron, Community Foundation of FC
15. Holly Sontz – Judy Center
16. Pat Rosensteel, COIPP
17. Erin Gambrell, FCPL
18. Alexis Campbell, Presenter Building Better Beginnings
19. Ann Ryan, Housing Authority Fredrick
20. Katharine Long, MSDE Office of Child Care

Meeting Commenced at 1:04 pm

Introductions: Barbara May led the group through introductions of new participants and the organizations that are represented in the meeting.

Minutes: Shelly Toms motioned for a vote and was seconded by Pilar Olivo. Unanimous.

Family Connects Update: Barb May. The County Executive has allocated \$8 Million dollars over the next four years to Health Frederick Hospital to implement the Family Connects Model that the ACEs Infant Health Workgroup has been exploring and working hard to get in Frederick County because of its evidence-based outcomes for improving child health, wellbeing, and reducing child maltreatment.

ACEs Committee update: Pilar Olivo. Health Care Coalition – Here is the link to sign up to be a facilitator for the Frederick County Health Priorities-Public Input Session to be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 2-4 pm: Facilitator Signup Link - The Public Input Session will be held in a virtual format (Zoom) and so we have no limit on the number of attendees and hope to get a large turnout. That said, we will need many facilitators who can guide the small breakout group discussions. If you are available, we would really appreciate your help to facilitate those small groups. The event is from 2-4PM and the breakout sessions will last from 30-35 minutes. During these sessions your group will discuss one of the priority public health topics discussed and answer four questions. We will provide a virtual training for facilitators closer to the event.

Here's a quick overview of your role: As facilitator, you will introduce yourself and take note of your group's answers to these questions (the questions will be shared with all attendees immediately)

- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSet2g9Uiw8GVshTehKW74TRCo7egK6y9Qo0XfD_I0wk_enNw/viewform

Native Content/FNP Quiz update: Barb May. The County Attorney's Office is currently reviewing with the Attorney General's Office and Risk Department the rules and affidavit for the contests.

Child Care Choices and Children's Festival update: Patty Morison.

- The MD State Department of Education released another Childcare Stabilization Grant for childcare providers. If you know of any childcare providers please reach out, they want people to apply. The base amount for every program is \$10,000 with the ability for additional funding through incentives. The deadline is January 23, 2022 to apply.
- The Annual Children's Festival in Baker Park. It is scheduled for OUTSIDE in Baker Park on Saturday, April 30th from 10am-3pm. If you are interested in joining the committee meetings, please contact Patty at pmorison@fcmha.org. The next meetings are in February, March, & April an hour before the IECC meeting. They had a few new people at the meeting, including new IECC members and the Love for Lochlin Foundation which contributed to new ideas on how to reach the more vulnerable populations. Lastly, MHA is looking for a co-sponsoring agency for the Children's Festival please reach out to Patty if you would be interested.

Presentation: Alexis Campbell and Felicia Jones-Taylor, MFN B3's Equity Report. Building Better Beginnings (B3)

Link:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5f5a66ce0ad69f5eb8c78e9f/t/61686ec433f3fa7d4f196bc5/1634234063579/B3+Equity+Report+FINAL+2021.pdf>

For Questions please email: acampb57@jhu.edu

Group Discussion:

- **Family Engagement:** Building Strong Families logo is ready to be used. The Postern contract has been extended with an expansion of services. They will be creating a video in English and in Spanish along with other marketing materials and the infographic. There is also another plan to extend and increase the scope of work to include a content writer for the IECC website and to be the administrative support of the content for the Frederick News Post articles.
- **Child Care Market Analysis:** Proposal has been submitted for the AARP funding a for the Child Care Market Analysis and we are waiting for the review committee to look at our application on January 17th. Hopefully more information at the next meeting in February.
- **Logic Model:** The Logic Model is being required for the IECC from MSDE and with the large amount of work that the IECC had already completed, they took previous logic models and incorporated them into a new one, to align with Maryland. Please see draft of the model here:

https://www.frederickcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/336600/Maryland-Ready-Logic-Model_working-template_edited-121421

If you are interested in joining the Logic Model Committee or have additional ideas, please reach out to Diana Fulchiron: d.fulchiron@frederickcountygives.org

Meeting Adjourned at 2:29 PM

Next meeting is February 3, 2022 at 1:00pm