

Health, Safety and Developmental Services Committee Meeting

March 4, 2016 10 am - Noon

Purpose: To improve the Health, Safety and Developmental Services of programs associated with the Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida.

Committee Members Present: Chair - Dr. Joseph Pepe, Florida Department of Health-Hendry County and ELC Board; Jen Schaaff, Outreach Coordinator-ABLE Academy; Angela Anderson, Child Care of SW Florida; Patricia Hansen, FL Department of Health-Collier County; Jeffrey Shafer, Community Outreach-Pediatric Dentistry of Ft. Myers

ELC Staff present: Susan Block, Chief Executive Officer; **Lana Johnson**, Inclusion Coordinator; **Dick Parrish**, Early Intervention Coordinator; **Jill Corbett**, Supervisor of Assessment and Screening; **Jessica Miron**, Hearing and Vision Screener

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/Assignments/Needs
Welcome and Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Dr. Pepe. Everyone introduced themselves.	
Meeting Minutes	The minutes of the January 15, 2016 meeting were approved.	Motion made by Angela Anderson, seconded by Jill Corbett, and unanimously approved. Minutes will be posted on the ELC website on the Health, Safety and Developmental Services Committee page.
CEO Report- Susan Block	 Early Learning Bills are still in motion in the Legislature; the CCDBG Bill has gone back to the House with "Early Steps" added back in. Florida is required to submit a plan to the Federal government by March 11, 2016. 	
Community Outreach-Pediatric Dentistry of Ft. Myers, Jeffrey Shafer	 Information was provided to the committee members regarding the importance of both early dental care and daily dental hygiene for pre-school children. Resource and contact information was provided to the group. Jeffrey is available to conduct "Oral Health" presentations at child care centers, schools, community events and meetings. 	
Emergency Response Plan Discussion	 Dr. Pepe and his team reviewed the current "Disaster Manual for Child Care Facilities". A hard copy of the draft was provided to HSDS Committee members in attendance. Patricia Hansen sent an electronic copy to all HSDS Committee member so that those not in attendance are able to review. As committee members review the document, Dr. Pepe requests that any suggestions be sent to him via email. Revisions include a calling tree, parental roles during an event, and minor formatting. Final discussion and final revisions will be made at the HSDS Committee meeting in May 2016. Dr. Pepe will present the completed document at a future ELC Board meeting. 	



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ASQ's and Initial Interventions - Dick Parrish	 454 ASQ's were completed for the month of January 2016 for fiscal year 2015-2016. There were 313 ASQ's to be completed, 67 required ILP's and 2 were referred to the Inclusion Coordinator during the same time period. 	
Inclusion Services – Lana Johnson	 Through the end of January 2016 for fiscal year 2015-2016, Lana Johnson had 86 referrals from ASQs and 22 from outside agencies for a total of 108 referrals. Through January 2016, there have been 79 referrals to Child Find and FDLRS for fiscal year 2015-2016. 	
Vision and Hearing Screenings – Jill Corbett	 Jessica Miron, the new Hearing and Vision Screener, was introduced by Jill Corbett. The ELC and Lions Club are working collaboratively to meet the screening needs of both VPK and SR children. From October 2015-January 2016, 550 children were screened in 22 sites, resulting in 29 vision referrals and 87 hearing referrals. In February 2016, 535 children in 13 facilities were screened. 	
Nursing Update - Patricia Hansen	Ten training sessions have been offered to child care providers since January 1, 2016. Ten additional trainings are scheduled and posted for registration on the ELC website.	
News and Events	 New committee member Jen Schaaff, Behavior Analyst and Outreach Coordinator for the ABLE Academy, presented an overview of the STAR (Specialized Therapeutic and Analysis Services) program. Through this outreach initiative, a Board Certified Behavior Analyst provides services free of charge in seven Collier County childcare centers. The services include: teacher and parent training, classroom support, individual student assessment and treatment for behavior challenges and/or developmental delays. Dr. Pepe informed the committee that trauma prevention is one of his initiatives in Hendry/Glades Counties. This initiative will be promoted by hosting community-wide meeting(s) of resources to create a common vision. He gave examples of some toxic stress concerns that need to be addressed. 	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Pepe at 11:20 a.m.	

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