

## Dallas County Meetings and Coalitions

What	Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council (DCCAC)	Dallas County Early Childhood Advisory Committee	Perry Networkers	Dallas County 4 Positive Choices DC4PC	Generation Wellness	Decategorization & Community Partnerships for Protecting Children & Dallas County Human Services Coalition
<b>When</b>	4th Wednesday each month	4th Wednesday each month	2nd Thursday every other month	Varies/Unknown	4th Wednesday each month	3rd Thursday every month
<b>Location</b>	Lutheran Church of Hope 305 NE Dartmoor Waukee	Lutheran Church of Hope 305 NE Dartmoor Waukee	St. Martin Episcopal Church Perry	Varies/Unknown	Lutheran Church of Hope 305 NE Dartmoor Waukee	Chapel-Campus Center on the campus of Woodward Resource Center - Woodward
<b>Time</b>	12:00 Noon	10:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Varies/Unknown	1:30 P.M.	1:30 P.M.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="#">Dena Owens</a>	<a href="#">Debra Schrader</a>	<a href="#">Danielle Cusack</a> or <a href="#">Vivian Degonzalez</a>	<a href="#">Jennifer Walters</a>	<a href="#">Dena Owens</a>	<a href="#">Jennifer Felt</a>
<b>Nonprofit</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Open to the public</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Who can attend</b>	Anyone interested in child abuse prevention, serving families with children 0-18	Anyone interested in early childhood, serving ages 0-5	Anyone interested in human services in the Perry area & surrounding communities, serving all ages	Anyone interested in preventing and/or reducing risk behaviors-including alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; unintentional injuries and violence; and unintended pregnancy/STIs (across the lifespan)	Anyone interested in the health of Dallas County residents, serving all ages	Anyone interested in child abuse prevention, intervention or sanction programming for 0-18
<b>Benefit of attending</b>	Learn about child abuse prevention activities, advocacy efforts, and develop network contacts.	Learn about new developments in early childhood, review data that impacts agencies work, learn about funding opportunities, develop network contacts, provide input for needs assessments.	Learn about services being provided in Perry and get updates on agencies serving Dallas County.	Learn about needs and trends in our community; assess and prioritize needs; create a common vision and collaborative plan for improvement; explore funding opportunities; coordinate initiatives and resources to reduce duplication; provide opportunities for networking & communicating.	To be able to collaborate and to take action with others who value an individual's total health and wellness as being physical, mental and relational in nature.	No single factor is responsible for child abuse and neglect, and therefore no one public agency alone can safeguard children. CPPC involves many people and partners in the mission of safeguarding children and strengthening families.
<b>Purpose</b>	DCCAC is in Iowa Code section 235A.1 and is defined by 441 Iowa Admin. Code ch. 155. DCCAC is obligated to meet regularly, assess the needs of their community, and propose funding for projects that will meet the local area's needs as they relate to the prevention of Child Maltreatment. The following representatives are to be included on the council and are required: Education and/or Early Childhood Education, Public Safety or Law Enforcement, Medical and/or Mental Health, Domestic Violence, Substance Abuse, and Parents.	The Dallas County Early Childhood Committee is the standing advisory committee for the 4 R Kids Early Childhood Iowa Area Board. The Board may refer specific issues/tasks to the committee. Tasks may include but not limited to - provide expertise in fields of health, human services, early care and education; suggest public policy; provide guidance on community needs and issues; and advocate for the early childhood issues. Recommendations from this committee may presented to the 4 R Kids ECI Area Board for action.	Perry Networkers is a provider meeting that that focuses on services for all ages in Perry and the close surrounding communities in order to better understand what services are available for families.  (Meetings - Aug, Oct, Dec, Feb, Apr, June)	Dallas County For Positive Choices (DC4PC) is a collation made up of individuals from the communities of Dallas County, working together to help Dallas County residents make healthy choices.  DC4PC assists with planning and implementing County substance abuse prevention activities funded by the Iowa Department of Public Health	Generation Wellness Coalition (GWC) is to increase understanding among Dallas County community and governmental agencies about the importance of individual physical and mental health factors. To improve community response and resources regarding physical, mental health and substance abuse factors. GWC was an outgrowth of the 2010 CHNA/HIP needs assessment and has also encompassed the CHNA/HIP Substance Abuse workgroup. The group is committed to the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES). Advisory group to the Heartland Region of Iowa.	CPPC engages community members and agencies to reach out and support families before they face crises; intervene more rapidly when abuse and neglect occur; and join in a partnership to improve child protection policy, programs, and practice in ways that strengthen families and safeguard children. It is also an opportunity to refer community based Family Team Meetings for families. Recommendations are made by the CPPC team to the DCAT Board for spending purposes.

Updated 2-24-16 -all meeting locations and dates are subject to change