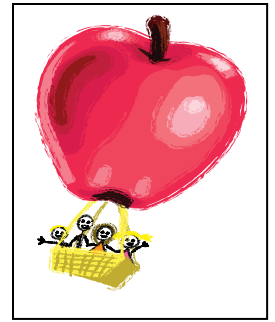


Warren County Early Childhood Committee
Minutes/Notes October , 2017
10:00 A.M.
Wells Fargo
515 N. Jefferson Way
Indianola, Iowa 50125



Attendance

Brittany Sikkink, Lora Kracht, Val Cameron, Megan Bernholtz, Myra Willms, Brittany Smith, Kelly Parker, Colleen Theis, Kelsy Marnin, Mandi Vellinga, Shelly Jensen, Bonnie Forsythe, Jana Tanner, Lizzi Beurgus, Dacni Gabel and Debra Schrader.

Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and the agencies they serve.

United Health Care

UHC has come out with a new product for those that are dually enrolled in Medicare and Medicaid and is piloted in a few counties in Des Moines metro, Warren, Dallas and Madison County are included as well as Story, Polk Marshal, and Jasper County. They are the only ones in the state with this product and it makes no difference which MCO the client is enrolled with. The service will provide up to \$1,000 annually for oral care, eye and ear care items, pain relievers, cold remedies and vitamins, thermometers, blood pressure monitors and more. Gym memberships, person emergency response systems, and foot care coverage is also a provided benefit. Call 855-277-4716 for more information.

United Health Care

UHC put in a proposal to administration to collaborate with ECI regarding prenatal families. The proposal did go through, and its intended to increase referrals to family support programs which will produce better health outcomes.

EFR

Information was shared regarding gambling, 17% of 6th graders have gambled, there is a correlation between gambling at a young age that can produce other risky behaviors. Gambling can include, online betting, betting with friends, apps on phones, video games and computer games.

American Lung Association

[Freedom from Smoking](#) training will be November 2, 2017 from 8:00-4:00, cost is \$350.

Income Eligibility

Val Cameron put together an [income eligibility document](#) for certain income required programs.

4 R Kids Update

The Board is looking for board members, preferably a male. The 4 R Kids ECI area board is planning an invitation only lunch and learn and collaborating with Warren County Economic Development to bring policies makers to the table. The purpose of the event is to provide information how early childhood and economic development are related.

Assessment Using ECI Service Types

The early childhood committee attendees were requested to provide input into an assessment utilizing the ECI required service types. Each agency was allowed to complete one assessment. This information may be used in the 4 R Kids ECI community plan as well as help guide priorities.

Health Works Presentation

Janna Tanner of United Way of Central Iowa provided a presentation about [Central Iowa Health Works](#). The program is a 4 year grant and assists qualifying participants in Dallas, Warren and Polk county obtain free training for 15 different job opportunities in the health field, such as registered nursing, pharmacy technicians, medical assistants, etc.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is November 1, 2017 at Wells Fargo, 2nd Floor, 515 N. Jefferson Way in Indianola Iowa. There will be no December or January meeting.