



## KIDS Coalition

### Minutes

6-14-17

St Paul Lutheran Church

1120 N. 8th Street

Winterset, Iowa 50273

Meeting started at 12:00 and ended at 1:30

### Attendance

Mindie Benticik, Dawn Holt, Bonnie Forsyth, Lynette Judd, Veronica McVay, Megan Bernholtz, Angie Russell, Carol Liechty, Val Cameron, and Debra Schrader.

### Overview of Kids Coalition

This meeting is a combined meeting between 4RKIDS, CRISP- Community Resources in Service to People - and 1<sup>st</sup> Five. The goal is to efficiently and effectively deliver pertinent information to the community, regarding issues and concerns centering on children. 4RKIDS and 1<sup>st</sup> Five focus on young children, while as the Madison County Prevent Child Abuse Council, CRISP focuses on children of all ages. Members of businesses, organizations, agencies, groups, and all professions are welcome. Please bring your questions and ideas as well. Together we will encourage policy and practice changes at both county and local levels. This is the first meeting of the new format.

### 1st Five

- Car seat checks will be August 5th at the Madison County Hospital, Shelley Jensen and Angie Russell will provide the car seat checks.
- Madison County has had several referrals. For more information about 1st Five contact Veronica McVay 515-961-1074/ [veronicam@warrencountyia.org](mailto:veronicam@warrencountyia.org).
- A free viewing of Paper Tigers in Winterset will be offered June 26 from 5:30 to 8:30 at the Winterset Public Library. There is a new documentary out called Resilience which is a follow-up to Paper Tigers.
- Veronica is an ASQ trainer. If anyone would like to be trained contact Veronica.
- IDPH has announced the WIC grants for FFY18, Matura will continue to provide the service in Madison County.

### CRISP

- A free viewing of Paper Tigers in Winterset will be offered June 26 from 5:30 to 8:30 at the Winterset Public Library. There is a new documentary out called Resilience which is a follow-up to Paper Tigers. Earlham Schools is planning to show Paper Tigers in August for the schools staff. It's possible there could be CEU's offered.
- CRISP is working on the school supply project.
- Child abuse data for Madison County was shared with the group; there were 25 children abused in 2016 and Madison County ranks 85th for abuse in Iowa.
- Something in the Works - Liz Hensley has created a supportive project for foster parents in Madison County and they are teaming up with CRISP. For more informatin contact Liz Hensley at [lizhensley@gmail.com](mailto:lizhensley@gmail.com) or 515-554-1363.

### 4 R Kids

- The [ALICE](#) report for Madison County was shared. ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed, are households that earn more than the U.S. poverty level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county. According to the report housing affordability, job possibilities and community resources are poor in Madison County. A household survival budget for 2 adults, 1 infant and 1 toddler is \$50,196.
- MCO -United Health Care provided a presentation about the value added benefits offered by the agency. Due to discussions it was decided that the value added benefits around family planning offered by all 3 MCO's warrants a telephone conversation to see how ECI could collaborate on child health outcomes. Deb will organize a meeting in the next few weeks.
- The 4 R Kids Board is seeking board representation, contact Deb if you have someone that would be interested.

### Next Meeting

The next meeting is August 9, 2017 at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader, ECI Director

*If you have any questions regarding the meetings contact  
Lynette Judd at 515-462-9400 or Veronica McVay at 515-961-1074 or Debra Schrader at 641-344-2250*