

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes

Lutheran Church of Hope Waukee
305 N.E. Dartmoor
Waukee, Iowa 50263
10:30am -12:00pm
Wednesday March 27, 2018

Attendance and Introductions

Michael Broadston (Amerigroup), Gary Rasmussen (NAMI), Damon Clark (Zion), Rivas (Every Step), Colleen Theis (LSI), Michelle Greenough (CCR&R), Samra Hiros (American Lung Association), Myra Willms (ISU Extension), Jeanette Luthringer (Every Step), Christina Schalk (New Opps), Laurie Wernli (Perry Child Dev Center), Amy Karaidos (Every Step), Tallie Ramey (CIAC), Nikki Kinkennon-Betts (CIAC), and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids ECI).

Agency Sharing

- Connections Matter training will be April 11, 2019 at 6:30 at Gan Shalom Preschool at 6:30.
- CPPC will have a community mixer April 10, 2019 at 7:30-10:30 at the Adel Brick Street Cafe.
- NAMI has partnered with the Des Moines Science Center to provide Mind Matters and a special presentation will be April 10th at 4:00.
- A lunch and learn opportunity will be provided to the Coalition as well as anyone interested in learning more about foster care, May 22, 2019 and Four Oaks will be presenting. Please come prepared with questions.
- Deb provided a legislative update on current bills in Iowa as well as the national level.
- New Opportunities received and Early Head Start center based grant to serve Perry.
- Perry Networkers meeting is the 3rd Thursday of month at 11:00, for more information email perrynetworkers@gmail.com.

Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4 R Kids Board issued a request for renewal for current contractors.
- Samra Hiros gave an update on the Iowa Youth Survey (IYS) 2018 data that came out recently. Teen use of E-cigarettes is on the rise and increased drastically. In Iowa, 22% of 11th graders, 8% of 8th graders and 2% of 6th graders reported current use of E-cigarettes. There has been a dramatic increase nationwide. As a result, the FDA has called teen vaping an epidemic. American Lung Association staff are reaching out to schools to offer resources, materials and presentations. At the end of this week, staff will have completed reaching out to all Dallas County middle schools and high schools. Samra also brought flyers with information about the LUNG FORCE Expo. Samra also talked about the Fight for Air Climb coming up in April and any registration deadlines associated with the two events.

Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The PCA Conference is May 6-7th in Ankeny.
- The DCCAC membership list was briefly discussed and Zion will be added to the list.
- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy is offering Nurturing Health Sexual Development training to any adult that is interested.
- The grant renewal is due April 12th.
- A committee was established to work on April child abuse awareness activities.
- There are proposed legislative changes to the mandatory reporting training.

Generation Wellness Update/Information

- Damon with Zion Recovery provided a brief update in regards to the new substance abuse prevention services to be provided in Dallas County.
- The Trauma Informed Care conference is June 3-4 in Des Moines.
- April 8th from 11:00-2:00 will be a Early Childhood Brain Science at the Science Center, cost is \$25 and includes lunch.

Next meeting: April 24, 2019 at 10:30.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader

