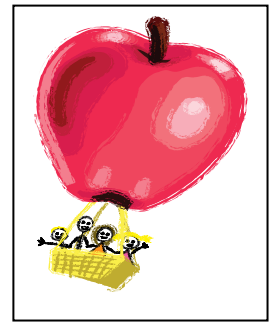


Warren County Early Childhood Committee
Minutes/Notes May 6, 2020
10:00 A.M.
Virtual Meeting by Zoom



Attendance

Michelle Greenough, Nikki Gunn, Kelly Phelps, Betsy Stursma, Bonnie Forsyth, Veronica McVay, Colleen Theis, Sarah Reis, Joe McQuerry, Aubreanna Sink, Devon, Julie Miller, Kim Post, Lynn Wenthe, Jodene DeVault and Deb Schrader.

Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and what they did for May Day. The committee thanked Warren County Public Health for the usage of the Zoom subscription for the meeting.

Warren County Health Services Updates

- 1st Five has seen a drastic drop in new referrals; 3 received in April. 1st Five is able to receive new referral from medical providers and is connecting families as services are available.
- Warren County Health Fair has been rescheduled to September 10, 2020.(attached flyer)
- Spring 2020 Warren County Newsletter was sent out with articles from all our staff (attached)
- Warren County Health Services has staff able to complete Presumptive Eligibility Insurance for children birth to 17 and pregnant women over the phone.
- Hawki guidelines updated for 2020 and attached
- Maternal Health is enrolling new pregnant woman whom meet Medicaid or WIC guidelines these appointments are over the phone and zoom.
- Please contact us if there are further questions or there are people needing our assistance.

4 R Kids ECI Board

The board is looking for board members; there is an application at www.4rkids-eci.org for anyone who is interested. Adair spots are open. A male would be preferable.

4 R Kids Community Plan

The committee provided input into the assets/strengths and opportunities/challenges in Warren County. It was noted in regards to challenges; housing issues, fresh meal options, and challenges in moving child care providers into the DHS system needs to be added to the list. This information will be provided in the 4 R Kids community plan that will be submitted in October 2020.

Partners in Family Development

- Bonnie reported that visits are now being conducted virtually and that the first virtual group meeting is planned for next week.
- Partners and Family Development and the Child Abuse Prevention Council fo Warren County will merge effective July 1, 2202 and will have a new name for the agency “Short Years Partnership”.
- Family support programs that utilize the state DAISEY reporting system are eligible for prepaid cell phones for families. PFD has requested 8 phones

EFR

Sarah Reis is serving Warren County for problem gambling. Your Life Iowa Presentations are available to anyone.

Child Care Survey

Lora Patton provided a presentation on the child care survey due to Covid-19. Providers estimate from \$5,000-\$10,000 was lost in revenue, some responded as high as \$40,000; 55% of providers said they had openings; 94% of providers indicated they have experienced a financial loss; a few providers indicated challenges with the food program due to strict guidelines; obtaining needed supplies to run their program has been challenging (cleaning supplies thermometers, etc).

Next Meeting

The next meeting is June 3, 2020 at 10:00 via Zoom,
<https://zoom.us/j/98861106928>