



Warren County Cares Coalition

Community agencies and members coming together to share local updates, programming, and news to support the overall health, well-being, and quality of life in Warren County, IA.



Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2021

10:00AM-11:30AM

Zoom Meeting

• **Members Attending (24):**

- Michelle Anderson – CFI Domestic Violence
- Lacy Andre – Parent Partner Program
- Rachel Bardwell – Parents as Teachers/Short Years Partnerships
- Alyssa Barton - LSI
- Val Cameron – ISU Extension/CAP Warren
- Michelle Chiri-Greenough – Orchard Place
- Jodene Devault – Public Health
- Cathy Drost – ISU Extension/Nutrition and Wellness Specialist
- Gabbie Ruggiero – EFR
- Sarah Gibson - CPPC
- Nichole Gunn – EFR
- Marisue Hartung – ISU Extension
- Leah Heidemann – Carlisle Schools
- Diane Hernandez - CFI
- Abby Holt – EFR
- Haley Pederson Hudley – EFR
- Kelly Phelps – Child Care Resource and Referral
- Cristy Porter - CFI
- Joe McQuerry – EFR
- Veronica McVay – Public Health/1st Five
- Debra Schrader – 4 R Kids ECI Director
- Jana Tanner – Central Iowa Works
- Jess Van De Voort - Central Iowa Community Services
- Sue Wilson – Helping Hand

• **Welcome**

• **Presentation**

- Jodene Devault, Public Health

• **Coalition Updates:**

- Agenda accepted
- Last month's minutes accepted and filed
- Subgroup Updates:
 - 4 R Kids Early Childhood Committee (Debra Schrader)
 - Deb provided information on the American Rescue Plan Act that President Biden signed into law March 11, 2021. Iowa will receive \$2.69 billion of the \$1.9 trillion.
 - Only 2 child care bills made it through the second funnel, SF301(WAGE\$ & TEACH) and SF302 (child care assistance). SF587 is a new bill that passed the senate to overhaul the current mental health system that is administered by the counties.
 - The 4 R Kids ECI released an RFP for FY22 and it is located on the 4 R Kids website.
 - Val Cameron provided an overview of the child abuse awareness activities.

- Domestic Violence Subgroup (Michelle Anderson)
 - No Updates this month!
 - Hunger Free Warren County (Sue Wilson)
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- **Integrated Provider Network Grant Update:**
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- **Member Updates:**
 - Val Cameron - ISU Extension/CAP Warren
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1IzqQ8VAwbKKnAEDigfVAIT8gCdQImG_k
 - Gabbie Ruggiero – SOR Grant
 - Gabbie Ruggiero, Employee & Family Resources State Opioid Response Grant Coordinator: Through a State Opioid Response overdose prevention grant for Warren and Polk Counties, I am providing trainings on trauma-informed care for first responders, opioid use and misuse prevention, and psychostimulant (including meth) use for any social service and healthcare professionals interested (see the flyers in the minutes). I can also work with folks that use(d) drugs and/or are in recovery and anyone in their support system on similar topics. These trainings would be done live virtually or in person starting April 26 following CDC COVID safety guidelines. They could easily be integrated with regular staff development, staff meetings, and/or client support groups. Please reach out if you are interested in any of these topics for your staff or clients, or if you know of someone I should reach out to directly, and we can discuss your needs and find information that's right for you: gruggiero@efr.org or 515-471-2361.
- **Other Business**
 - Warren County Community Partners Meeting for COVID updates are happening, if interested in attending please reach out.

Next Meeting:

- When: March 3rd @ 11:00AM
- Where: Wells Fargo Building, 5154 North Jefferson way or virtually

Contact Information:

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- Agenda and Minutes: <https://tinyurl.com/WCCCMinutesandAgendas>
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- Hunger Free Warren County (Subgroup): Terie terie.wolf@unitedwaydm.org or Sue warrencountyhelpinghand@gmail.com
- Domestic Violence (Subgroup): Michelle MichelleA@cfiowa.org