



# Warren County Cares Coalition

Vision: 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 1, 2023

10:00AM-11:30AM

Hybrid Meeting

### ❖ Members Attending (30):

- Barb Shultz
- Betsey Stursma – CICS
- Brenda Wood-Clark – Choices Therapy
- Debra Schrader – 4 R Kids ECI
- Gabbie Ruggiero - EFR
- Jason Smith – Institute for Community Alliances
- Joelle Stolte – Warren County Public Health
- Josie Redman – American Lung Association
- Kelly Phelps – Child Care Resource and Referral
- Lacy Andre – Parent Partner Program
- Linda White – Iowa Total Care
- Maya Whitaker – EFR
- Megan Jensen – Everystep
- Morgan Dodge – Orchard Place
- Nanette Schroeder – Drake Head Start
- Nikki Gunn - EFR
- Peri Sievers - EFR
- Penny Seidenkranz - EFR
- Rachel Klein – Warren County Helping Hand
- Rachel Bardwell – Short Years
- Rebecca Manzo - DMU
- Rebecca Woell – Short Years
- Rob Hawkins – Indianola PD
- Sarah Downard – General Assistance
- Sammy Glaser – SE Warren Schools Social Worker
- Sue Wilson – WeLift
- Susie Mccarragher – Institute for Community Alliances
- Terra Cleveland – Aging Resources
- Val Cameron – ISU Extension
- Veronica McVay - WCHS

### ❖ Welcome

### ❖ Old Business

- Agenda accepted
- Last month's minutes accepted and filed

### ❖ Presentation

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### ❖ New Business

- **4 R Kids Early Childhood Committee Update (Debra Schrader)**
  - Lead: Deb Schrader ([4rkidseci@gmail.com](mailto:4rkidseci@gmail.com))
    - Serval legislative bills were reviewed; there are 6 child care bills, 4 preschool bills and plethora of other bills.
    - Uplift is central Iowa basic income pilot in which a 110 people will be randomly selected to receive \$500 a month for 2 years. Selected individuals are free to use the money to best meet their families need.

- Common Good Iowa has released a data snapshot for each County detailing child population, wages, births, child care and education.
- Common Good Iowa has released the cost of living in Iowa for each county. Two working parents with 2 children would need to make \$64,770 to meet the basic needs of the family.
- HHS alignment – there is a HF383 the HHS restructure bill that makes changes to the state ECI board, eliminates the children’s behavioral health board and eliminates several other boards.
- **Hunger Free Warren County/Helping Hand Update**
  - Co-Leads: Sue Wilson ([warrencountyhelpinghand@gmail.com](mailto:warrencountyhelpinghand@gmail.com)) & Teri Wolf ([terie.wolf@unitedwaydm.org](mailto:terie.wolf@unitedwaydm.org))
- **Integrated Provider Network Grant Update:**
  - Leads: Nichole Gunn ([ngunn@efr.org](mailto:ngunn@efr.org)) & Penny Seidenkranz ([pseidenkranz@efr.org](mailto:pseidenkranz@efr.org))
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- **Member Updates (Both Present & Not):**
  - Gabbie Ruggiero – SOR Coordinator EFR
    - EFR is hosting a free webinar on the principles and practices of Harm Reduction on Wednesday, March 8th 1-2:30. 1.5 CEUs are available from the Iowa Board of Certification. To register, email [hpederson@efr.org](mailto:hpederson@efr.org) and a link will be emailed to you. Additionally, please see the flyer on the free trainings and policy assistance I provide on substance use, addiction, and overdose response for providers, first responders, healthcare workers, and any group interested. We can get your agency free NARCAN, as well. Contact [gruggiero@efr.org](mailto:gruggiero@efr.org) or (515) 471-2361 for more information.
    - The Healthiest State Initiative has a program called Double Up Food Bucks, where folks that use their EBT benefits can double the amount of money spent towards fruits and vegetables at participating locations. No signing up, just something folks can become aware of. Please distribute this as you see fit:
      - English: [http://www.iowahealthieststate.com/webres/File/Healthy-Hometown/DUFB/2022\\_DUFBFlyers\\_English.pdf](http://www.iowahealthieststate.com/webres/File/Healthy-Hometown/DUFB/2022_DUFBFlyers_English.pdf).
      - Spanish: [http://www.iowahealthieststate.com/webres/File/Healthy-Hometown/DUFB/2022\\_DUFBFlyers\\_Spanish.pdf](http://www.iowahealthieststate.com/webres/File/Healthy-Hometown/DUFB/2022_DUFBFlyers_Spanish.pdf).
  - Josie Redman - ALA
    - The American Lung Association is working with youth tobacco prevention groups in Warren County and has invited the group at Carlisle high school to attend our coalition meeting to see how we can best support them. Please review our quarterly newsletter, and scan the QR code to order free resources and incentives for your organization and clients. You can also follow the Bitly link here to take our survey and order resources: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/requestedmaterials>
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❖ **Other Business**

**Next Meeting:**

- When: April 5 @ 10:00AM
- Where: Warren County Health Services, 301 N Buxton St # 203, Indianola, IA 50125 – Board Room

**Contact Information:**

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- Coalition Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyCaresCoalition>
- Coalition Agenda and Minutes: <https://tinyurl.com/WCCMinutesandAgendas>
- Coalition Presentation Signup: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4faaac2da1fece9-presentation1>
- 4R Kids Google Drive: [https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1D7mQgyvTCLxvfLr22I\\_i0d9ksLIMUnlZWCC](https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1D7mQgyvTCLxvfLr22I_i0d9ksLIMUnlZWCC)
- Resource List: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyf\\_I6UgLVJm7IMAwJWLNlR2o2X3tEILwNOUVGID3nk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyf_I6UgLVJm7IMAwJWLNlR2o2X3tEILwNOUVGID3nk/edit?usp=sharing)