



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

July 5, 2023

10:00AM-11:30AM

Hybrid Meeting

❖ Members Attending (36):

- Alia Rhoades - Amerigroup
- Andrea Carlsel
- Amy Duncan – Indianola Independent Advocate
- Barb Shultz – Recovery Project Iowa
- Betsy Armington – Food Bank Iowa
- Betsy Stursma - CICS
- Branden Reiman
- Crystal Ellis – Norwalk Ministerial Association
- Cynthia Tracy
- Daphanie Martin
- Debra Schrader – 4 R Kids ECI
- Elizabeth Crimmins - EFR
- Falon Flander – Warren County
- Gabbie Ruggiero – UCS Healthcare
- Haley Broich – FaDSS Program
- Joelle Stolte – Warren County Public Health
- Josie Redman - ALA
- Kelly Phelps – Child Care Resource and Referral
- Kelsey Marman – Warren County
- Lacy Andre – Parent Partner Program
- Lori Jensen
- Maci Andersen – Everystep 5210
- Megan Jensen - Everystep
- Morgan Dodge – Orchard Place
- Myra Willms - ISUEO
- Nikki Gunn - EFR
- Paige Grochala
- Peri Sievers - EFR
- Rachel Bardwell – Short Years
- Rob Hawkins – Indianola Police Department
- Sarah Downard – General Assistance
- Sarah Gibson - CPPC
- Sue Wilson – We Lift
- Terra Cleveland – Aging Resources
- Tierney Sothman – T.E.A.C.H. Counselor AEYC
- Veronica McVay - WCHS

❖ Welcome

❖ Old Business

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

❖ Presentation

- Gabbie Ruggiero, UCS Healthcare

❖ New Business

- **4 R Kids Early Childhood Committee Update (Debra Schrader)**
 - Lead: Deb Schrader (4rkidseci@gmail.com)

- The Warren County Early Childhood resources map was reviewed and community partners were asked to provide Deb with any changes necessary.
- The HHS service delivery alignment project is having town hall meetings to get input from the community. Thursday July 13, 2023 at 10:00 at The Venue in Atlantic is the closest town hall meeting. There are not in person meetings in the metro.
- The 4 R Kids ECI area board invests heavily in evidence-based programming, 100% of the family support programs meet these criteria, overall close to 90% of all programs funded by the board meet the criteria.
- A FY24 child care services map for the 4 R Kids ECI area has been drafted that provides information for child care providers on training, incentives and other services.
- **Hunger Free Warren County/Helping Hand Update**
 - Co-Leads: Sue Wilson (warrencountyhelpinghand@gmail.com) & Teri Wolf (terie.wolf@unitedwaydm.org)
- **Integrated Provider Network Grant Update:**
 - Leads: Nichole Gunn (ngunn@efr.org) & Penny Seidenkranz (pseidenkranz@efr.org)
 - Our grant year started again in July, we are looking forward to providing more services this year!
- **Member Updates (Both Present & Not):**
 - No updates were provided this month, but we hope to get some next month!
- **Other Business**

Contact Information:

- Coalition Email: warrencountycarescoalition@gmail.com
- Coalition Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyCaresCoalition>
- Coalition Agenda and Minutes: <https://tinyurl.com/WCCCMinutesandAgendas>
- Coalition Presentation Signup: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4faaac2da1fece9-presentation1>
- 4R Kids Google Drive: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1D7mQgyvTCLxvLr22l_i0d9ksLIMUnlZWCC
- Resource List: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyf_16UgLVJm7IMAwJWLNlR2o2X3tEILwNOUVGID3nk/edit?usp=sharing