



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

November 1, 2023

10:00AM-11:30AM

Hybrid Meeting

➤ Members Attending (20):

- Catherine Reaman-Gerdes – Crisis & Advocacy
- Crystal Elis- Norwalk Area Ministerial Association
- Cynthia Tracy - SHIP
- Danny Schnathorst
- Dawn Holt - LSI
- Debra Schrader – 4 R Kids ECI
- Falon Flander – I-SMILE
- Jenny Fee – Indianola Independent Advocate
- Jordan Jenkins - EFR
- Kelly Phelps
- Lori Jensen - CFI
- Maddy Lemons - EFR
- Maya Whitaker - EFR
- Myra Willms – ISU Extension and Outreach
- Nikki Gunn – MSW Student
- Rachel Bardwell – Short Years
- Sarah Gibson – CPPC/DECAT
- Tabatha McClain - CICS
- Terra Cleveland – Aging Resources
- Veronica McVay - WCHS

➤ Welcome

➤ Old Business

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

➤ Presentation

- Danny Schnathorst - HIRTA

➤ New Business

- **4 R Kids Early Childhood Committee Update (Debra Schrader)**
 - Lead: Deb Schrader (4rkidseci@gmail.com)
 - Child care data was shared by CCRR with the group. The data is different than in the past as it is in real time when running a report. The average cost of child care for an infant per week is \$163-\$262 depending on the type of child care provider. There are 5 child care providers that had an IQ4K rating out of 65 providers. There are 77% of families with all parents working with children under 5, the state rate is 75%.
 - There is no new updates regarding the HHS assessment. According to the HHS website a report would be available in October.
 - The 4 R Kids Board had a legislative event October 26, 2023 and 1 of 14 legislators attended. A compelling and moving story from LSI was provided along with the impact of infant and early childhood mental health consultation and training.
- **Hunger Free Warren County/Helping Hand Update**

- Lead: Sue Wilson (WeliftDirector2006@gmail.com)
- **Integrated Provider Network Grant Update:**
 - Leads: Jordan Jenkins (jjenkins@efr.org) & Maddy Lemons (mlemons@efr.org)
 - Working with Indianola schools in order to get our programming done in there and asked coalition for any advice on any other schools that could use the CBSG program
- **Member Updates (Both Present & Not):**
 - Veronica McVay
 - I have a new title, Community Health Navigator, with specialties in 1st five and Hawki. We can do presumptive eligibility for Children and Pregnant Women due to a subcontract change October 1, 2023. Please contact me directly to schedule an application time 515-960-9202 or VeronicaM@warrencountyia.org
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- **Other Business**

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/1D7mQgyvTCLxvflr22li0d9ksLIMUnlZWCC>
- Resource List: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyf_I6UgLVJm7lMAwJWLNlr2o2X3tEILwNOUVGID3nk/edit?usp=sharing