PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes

July 13, 2017 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

In Attendance

☒ Shawn Lybarger, Chair	☐ Erin Helgren	☐ Pat Sublette
☐ Amber Barrows, Vice Chair	☒ Cati Adkins	☒ Heather Freilinger
☒ Trina Gwaltney	☐ Karin Hardin	☒ Mark Andrews
☐ Nanette Hagen	☐ Cindy Shirtcliff	

Staff Present: Gillian Wesenberg, Cynthia Hurkes, Heather Aho, Vanessa Pingleton, Danielle Walker (by phone)

Others Present: Robin Hill-Dunbar, Debbie Wilks, Gwen Soderberg-Chase, Kyrstin Gannon, Diane Dunas, Lea Bates, Sondra Williams, Matt Newey, Nicky Ripley

Action Items

Approve May meeting notes.

Minutes approved.

HUB Update

Gillian Wesenberg introduced new hub staff (Heather Aho & Alysha Barraza) to the committee. She is working with Heidi McGowen (contractor) because the state (Early Learning Division – ELD) wants a draft for our plan by August and a final by Sept but we don't have a format or due dates yet. The due date for our quarterly report has been moved up to the end of July. A big "thank you" to everyone for getting them in by end of June. The state (ELD) has two hub collaboratives every year. The next one is in Ontario (Aug 8-9). 4 people from each hub will go (1 from Lake, 1 from Klamath, Gillian and Alysha Barraza). The collaborative is for the hubs to all know what their focus will be for the new year. The state ELD has a new Early Learning Director. We just hired a Family Resource Facilitator (FRF) for Douglas County. Danielle is the FRF in Klamath and we already have one in Lake. Umpqua Health is interested in working more with the hub system.

Vanessa Pingleton describes the Family Resource Facilitator as the person to receive home visiting referrals and talk with the families. The South Central Home Visiting Workgroup is currently building a system for referrals. Doctors, teachers, etc. can fax in a referral for a family. The family might need housing, food, daycare or other services. The facilitator in each county will receive the fax and contact the family to get more information. The facilitator will look at a decision tree to see if the family meets the program eligibility and describe the services available to the family and discuss what might be the best fit. Data has shown that just telling the families about the services doesn't mean that they make the connection, so the facilitator will contact people at the service, and make sure they connect (called a warm hand-off). (Vanessa is funded through The Ford Family Foundation, and the facilitator is funded by the hub.) The project is starting off small, but slowly expanding to include more services. Their plan is to start the pilot by the end of August. Currently, there are two agencies that have offered to help with the process. The new hire for the Douglas Family Resource Facilitator position will start Aug 1st, his name is Brian Burke. The Portland State Evaluation team is evaluating the entire process.

The Ford Family Foundation and the Home Visiting System Coordinators put in a proposal about the Home Visiting Project for the National Home Visiting Summit in Washington DC (end of Jan) and were accepted to present at the summit. Rural communities are usually underrepresented in these summits so this is an exciting opportunity.

Matt Newey: Compass Behavioral Health is a division of ADAPT. ADAPT acquired Community Health Alliance back in September and there have been system changes and employee change. They want to reconnect with community partners and stakeholders. They're looking at expanding the therapeutic learning classroom and working with South County to partner with Douglas ESD to provide school based counseling. They want to expand because there's a huge need for youth services. They have been connecting with Douglas County to find out what the needs are and want people to know how to connect with them.

Cynthia Hurkes She's been responsible for the Kindergarten Partner Initiative (KPI) Grant which has three goals: kindergarten transition, family engagement, and professional development. P-3 (prenatal – 3rd grade) can be considered an approach for people in all the sectors working together, deciding what's in the best interest of the community. Portland State University did the evaluations for KPI with the Early Learning Division. They held events in all three counties (April 11th & 12th in Klamath & Lake, Douglas May 11th). Her talk today is specifically about the report created from the Douglas County event. **Hand-out.** The goal was to bring a cross sector of people together and talk about P-3 in all counties. They talked about the definition of P-3 and what it looks like in other counties, what is working and, how they are using data. They want to use the data to drive decision making and determine priorities. The event turnout was 45 people, including four that represented early childhood education and child care programs, 12 represented the kindergarten-12 sector, three parents/caregivers and a number of representatives from other organizations. They did a series of activities to determine: <u>What is the county already doing to support school readiness and success?</u> (Top responses were: Family engagement opportunities & PreK, and direct child supports), <u>What do you hope will change through P3 work in the community</u>? (Top responses were: cross-sector collaboration and coordination, and increase family representation in P3).

The data shows things such as: <u>Where does Douglas County need more work?</u> Page 3 shows four categories (highlighted below). The highest concern for Health & Well-being was to increase prenatal and maternal health services. Part of the concern came from looking at the data of high infant mortality and pregnant women who smoke and pregnant woman who don't get prenatal care in Douglas County. The highest concern for Family/Community Engagement was to foster relationships between families. The highest concern for ECE & School was to increase availability/affordability of quality early childhood education. The highest concern for Data Collection was to capture narrative of "invisible data" (i.e. qualitative data).

There was other data that they do not have but would be helpful to find, such as: Oregon Health Authority breastfeeding data, data on adverse childhood experiences, elective inductions, foster care, trauma-informed practices, food insecurity, data on barriers to service utilization, birthing locations and the relationship between employment and poverty.

The data for the reports shows what direction P-3 needs to go. Some of priorities are found to be: identifications and outreach to underserved and hard to reach communities; resources and supports that *families* find useful; successful ways to promote reading and math skills.

What are the next steps for P-3 work in Douglas County (see p. 6 of report)? The top four areas are: build cross-sector rapport and relationships, including with parents; develop P3 Leadership team, vision and strategic plan; create more supports for children/families; recruit parent leaders. The themes found in the Douglas report are the same as the themes in Klamath and Lake.

What Cynthia wants to do is have P-3 as a regular voice at the PAC meetings and have a P-3 approach.

Shawn Lybarger says their Head Start is no longer going to serve Reedsport area. Reedsport will be connected with South Coast Head Start. That transition has already happened. The UCAN Head Start can now serve more children from the greater Douglas area, but they are still short for total enrollment. Anyone can fill out an application, so please let people know. They will have a new classroom in Green elementary. They are sharing the site at the old Umpqua Valley Christian School off Robert's Creek Road with Early Intervention.

Sondra Williams The Douglas EI/ECSE program started hearing and vision screenings in schools this past school year. They plan to continue and expand.

Trina Gwaltney: The numbers show that there are a quite a few kids ages seven and younger that still have not had a dental screening. The Mercy Foundation has started working with the schools (and PreK) to get more children served and perform dental screenings at the school. Permission forms also come in Spanish so just contact her to get them. Also working on more parent education, such as Adult Wellness Lab where they can take it to Parent Night and parents can learn more about overall health and wellness and have the resources. Topic examples: nutrition and physical activity and how to support parents, tobacco programs and resource connections.

Cati Adkins: Over the last year, ADAPT has directly impacted 447 youth, 3116 (through assemblies etc.), 181 received one-on-one help (prevention, support, etc.), and talked with over 3900 adults. The Art of Prevention event has been growing. They had 50 pieces last year and 93 this year.

Gwen Soderberg-Chase: Recently started a perinatal task force in Douglas County. She heard that there used to be one but it had dissolved so now they are in the process of creating one again. Health Care Coalition of Southern Oregon (HCCSO) is the source of the funding. The task force is still in the initial stages. The current focus is the opioid epidemic and bringing in some local leadership voices to understand what's going on. They want to build a collective impact system and their next meeting coming up in August.

Gwen Soderberg-Chase Based on infant mortality rates, Healthy Start serves people that are not in the Roseburg zip codes (97470 & 97471) but surrounding areas. Families can get connected through WIC and can get pre/post-natal depression screenings and connected with resources, they have a baby store to get diapers, etc.

Heather Freilinger There are classes for childcare providers and parents, one on July 25th and one on Aug 19th.

Sept Agenda Planning

Vanessa – Home Visiting

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, September 28, 2017 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM