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Decat/Community Partnerships for Protecting Children, Buena Vista County Prevent Child Abuse Council and BVCS Early Childhood Iowa

Meeting Notes

**Date:** February 16, 2017

**Time**: 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Location:** 824 Flindt Dr Storm Lake –

**Agenda:** The agenda was approved by consensus.

**Minutes:** Reviewed stand as presented.

**BV County PCA Council**

Jenny Ahlers provided program update for the Sexual Abuse Prevention Program. With the PCA grant CAASA is able to use the Second Step evidence base curriculum to schools in Buena Vista County. The curriculum promotes resist – report – prevent. Prior to the presentation letters are sent to parents. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. The curriculum allows to role play scenarios and provides handouts to parents. In January schools visited included Storm Lake Community, Grace Lutheran, Albert City, Newell Fonda, and Sioux Central. Served just under 900 students and 10 adults. A new Spanish bilingual advocate is able to interpret the information to students.

Pam Bogue presented for the Family STEPS program. The program is currently working on re-credential to the Family Support Credential. They have been busy reviewing and updating policy and procedures for the program. One challenge has been keeping a Karen interpreter, currently have job vacancy. Nine families on the STEPS caseload currently require a Karen interpreter.

**CPPC/DCAT UPDATES**

Resource Guide updates: Annette K will email out copy, send updates to her at akosterbvcs@frontiernet.net . Dawn will check on price of printed copies.

April Prevention month planning: Dawn reported pinwheels have been ordered.

Dawn S press release – public service announcement

Annette K check with Buena Vista County Supervisors for proclamation signing

Retta M color sheets for child care homes and centers.

Other ideas not assigned: School banner pledge, newspaper insert, show Resilience Movie follow up to Paper Tigers.

Discussion on Resilience Movie Dawn working on a collaboration with BVU. Discussion on cost $300.00 one time, libraries may be cheaper, charge fee to attend, host lunch and learn events better on the first Wednesday.

DCAT/CPPC updates: Promotional key messages have been ordered and available for distribution. 25 Ways to be a Loving Parent, Words Your Child Needs to Hear, flyers, hands, etc…

**Upcoming Events**: **March** 18 Legislative Forum 10:00 Kings Pointe

**March 28 – CPPC 201**

**March 29 - CPPC Statewide Learning Exchange**

**March 30 – CPPC EC Meeting**

**April 3 – PCA IA Day on the Hill & Iowa DEC Conference**

**May 1-3 PCA IA Conference – Des Moines Event Center**

**June 6 – CPPC Regional meeting - Denison**

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| BVCS Early Childhood Iowa  Annette Koster | The Iowa Family Support Network (IFSN) will now be offering the Children at Home (CaH) programming, in the state of Iowa. CaH helps families caring for a child with a disability by providing financial assistance for items or services not covered by other programs. Examples may include special adaptive devices, out-of-area travel expenses, nutritional supplements, respite care or educational seminars for caregivers, special camps and items to make you home safe or more accessible for a child. (see handouts) If an item or service provides a direct benefit to a child and is related to the child’s disability, families may qualify for up to $2,000 in assistance per child annually. Contact IFSN at 1-888-IAKIDS1 (1-888-425-4371 or email [IAFamilySupportNetwork@vnsia.org](mailto:IAFamilySupportNetwork@vnsia.org)  Website: IAFamily SupportNetwork.org |
| Buena Vista Public Health & Home Care, Pam Bogue  Pam Bogue | Seen illness at one school at 10%, reportable to the state with follow up. Seeking a new interpreter for the Karen language. The hospital is currently using Stratus for more information follow here is a website https://www.stratusvideo.com/.  See BV County PCA Council for Family STEPS information. |
| Child Care Resource & Referral Child Care Consultant  Retta Mitchell  712-660-0687 | In need of childcare providers and people to work in childcare centers either full or part time, limited or no benefits. Some requirements include be 16 years of age, will need to complete Essentials Training, CRP, First Aid and Mandatory Child Abuse Training.  BVCS Early Childhood Conference will be held on March 18, 2017 registration begins at 8:30 am event scheduled from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Focus of the day is on early literacy. All are welcome, child care providers and early care educators register on the DHS training registry. If you are interested in attending but not a home, center or preschool contact Retta M she will assist you.  Alicia Dougherty with Plains Area Mental Health said she would be interested in being a presenter at next year’s conference topic of attachment disorder.  Retta is currently working on her I-Consult Credential. |
| CASSA  Jenny Ahlers  jenny@caasaonline.org | See BV County PCA Council for update. |
| Compass Pointe – Tobacco Prevention  Cindy Johnson | New bilingual person hired at Compass Pointe.  Working with multi-unit housing for smoke free including e-cigarettes. Quit Line Iowa materials available for distribution, see Cindy J.  Police department on the last alcohol bust 12 out of 20 sold to minors in Storm Lake. |
| Decat/CPPC  Dawn Sickelka | What can CPPC do to help Foster Parents?  Also see CPPC/DECAT updates. |
| Family Crisis Centers  San Juana Rodriguez  712-299-0461  juanar@familycrisiscenters.org | Family Crisis Centers at United Community Health Center. Target higher risk victim of crime – trauma of any sort. Theresa advocate for Domestic Abuse work closely with sister agency CAASA. |
| Lutheran Services in Iowa  Wendy Zeledon, Behavioral Health Intervention Services  Wendy.zeledon@LSIowa.org  Denison office 712-263-9341  Cell 712-730-0387 | Love n Logic classes will be available in Spanish and English. Weekends and Friday night Hoping to start the Spanish classes on March 10th for 3 weeks. English class to follow. Looking for a location, child care available. Minimum of 5 maximum of 12.  Lutheran Services of Iowa was awarded the Kids Net for Western Iowa.  Foster Care Class starting soon. |
| Partner Partners  Carly Shaw and Lisa Matheson | BABF will be March in Sheldon Th/Fri & Mon. Brings DHS, community members and parents together. Itinerary includes DHS 101 & Community Leadership. Room for six more. If you know of someone who would want to become a Parent Partner please give them Carly’s name or ask if you can give their name to Carly. |
| Plains Area Mental Health  Alecia Dougherty,  Jamie Rusch, IHS  Lori Bush, HIS Director | EMDR have been a success, still taking referrals. All intakes are walk-in, no appointment for intakes. Insurance is accepted.  Attachment Disorder can be misunderstood and is a high risk for child abuse. Aleica would like to get the information about attachment disorder out to parents and/or families, and is willing to give presentations. Treatment can start as young as 1 ½ years of age. Dawn S brought up recent training she attended that talked about the Two Generation Approach study in Oklahoma to deal with children from group homes, goal is to keep children in home. Team of people work with families Common Sense Approach.  Turning Point (crisis home) update is an integrated health services with a capacity to serve 9. Cases served have had good success. Adults who are is crisis but don’t need hospitalization. |
| Storm Lake Community School  Alli vashe, Middle School Counselor | Family Fun Night March 7th Tuesday 5:30 – 7:00 contact Christine Carlson ccarlson@slcsd.org  Elementary School was held in October. |

Minutes respectfully submitted: Annette Koster

Next meeting April 20, 2017