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Buena Vista County Coalition

August 16, 2018 |10:00 am |

# Attendees: Annette Koster, BVCS Early Childhood Iowa; Dawn Sickelka, Decat/CPPC; Tiffany Smith, BV Public Health & Home Care; Merle Hinton, Compass Pointe; Mikayla Kobs, LSI; Juana Mondragon, LSI; Shannon Wilkins, Plains Area Mental Health; Julie Wester, WISH Unit; Juana Rodriquez, FCC – Domestic Violence; Kari Lofflin, FCC-DV; Yoseline Padilla FCC-DV.

# Follow-Up/Review 4-19-18 Meeting

Minutes were sent out to the Coalition members prior to the meeting for review.

# BV County PCA Council

ICAPP Update: Family STEPS parent education program serving prenatal Mom and parents with children 0-5 years of age. CASSA was not awarded grant funds but plan to continue the program, Jenny Ahlers will continue to provide Second Step curriculum in schools.

Contract Update:

Board Membership Requirements:

* Education/Early Childhood Education: Annette Koster
* Public Safety or Law Enforcement: need to recruit – possible ideas: Juvenile Court - Audrey
* Child Welfare: Dawn Sickelka
* Medical and/or Mental Health: Shannon Wilkins, Mikayla Kobs, Juana Rodriquez
* Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault: Yoseline Padilla, Kari Lofflin, Julie Ester
* Substance Abuse Services: Juana Rodriquez, Merle Hinton, Cindy Johnson
* Parent Participant: Lisa Matheson, Carly Shaw

Additional Members:

* Pregnancy Prevention

Council Reporting Responsivities: Discussed responsibility for reporting for the Council.

# CPPC Updates – Dawn Sickelka

Contract for FY 19: Wrap, Juvenile Court Comm, Director, CPPC Contract.

June 6th final numbers, possibility of more funds notified from Council Bluffs, clarification specialized substance abuse and program in school.

June 14th ACE informed meeting 31 people in attendance. Thank you to Shannon W for moderating the event. May try a follow up to the event. Let Dawn S know if you have a topic you would like to bring to Buena Vista County. CPPC funds for forums and/or trainings focus related to child abuse prevention.

September 24th Implicit Bias Training will be held on September 24th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. This follows nicely with the Race Power of Illusion training that was offered last year.

# TOBACCO UPDATE - Merle Hinton

Fiscal year ended June 30th. Meet goals for the RFA. Buena Vista goals

1. Encourage childcare tobacco free/nicotine fee grounds, smoke free air act encourage childcare to amend policy’s, same principle for business/workforce.
2. Contact health care to promote sensation (Quitline Iowa). Quitline is a free service includes counseling session to assist in stopping the habit.
3. Encourage Coalition to promote Quitline Iowa. Access to promotional products for clients served by various agencies.

# Community Coalition Re-Evaluation

The attendees reviewed and discussed the coalition. Coalitions allow single organizations and individuals to maximize their time, resources, reach, and impact on the community. Coalitions also help create a shared vision with agreed-upon goals, which increase community buy-in and create a solid foundation for implementing an action plan. The Community Coalition were implemented to share a program information, prevent duplication of services and encourage collaboration amongst agencies, and serve as the Child Abuse Prevention Council.

Vision and Mission: Bring to meeting in October for review, add to agenda.

Accomplish: Encourage collaboration more “heads” to tackle problems - mental health and child abuse. Collaboration makes for better services, entities to do outreach, ideas ways to get message out.

What outreach can we do? Knowing of the resources in the community to better serve the community. Place to bring issues/needs to the forefront in order for agencies to collaborate and/or have discussion for a collaborative decision.

Coalition can be called to together by contacting either Dawn S or Annette K.

Decisions are made by a consensus of the group.

Everyone in attendance is a spokesperson/leader. Learning and utilizing community resources they learn at the meeting.

Supporting the Coalition: Being a part of the meetings, implementing and/or participating in projects (examples: resource fairs, trainings).

Building the Coalition, invite individuals, agencies community members to attend. Some suggestions included: Untied Community Health, parents, faith based, police.

# Community Sharing: Coalition Attendee Updates

Shannon Williams, School Therapist-Plains Area Mental Health: School year starting. Will be offering Girls Group, curriculum focus on risk development, risky behaviors, skills to deal with environment and stressors, guidance counselor trained as well. Searching for a curriculum to offer a Boys Group. Plains Area Mental Health moving forward with dual treatment with substance abuse.

Mikayla Kobs Lutheran Services in Iowa: Pregnancy prevention new contract holders focus children in Foster Care. Participated in the “Got Your Back” event in Sac City. Would like to patriciate and similar event in Buena Vista.

Juana Mondragon Lutheran Services in Iowa: BHIS caseloads are low, summer challenging. Started Strengthening Families through Family Treatment Court, skill building for parents and children. Practice and learn new skills.

Juana Rodriquez, Kari Lofflin, Yoseline Padilla, Family Crisis Center: Crisis Center served 1200 victim’s survivors this past year. 142 July highest number of survivors served since last November.

FY 19 outreach efforts presentations at schools and employers. Topics: Bullying, Safety Planning, Human trafficking to prevent domestic violence. Programs for youth to protect children – email – grant funded, no charge.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Goal is to reach out for education, services providers, put out in community (coffee and tents). Collaboration with United Community Health and clinics.

Behavior Health medication manage screening process. Grant new goal to reach out in community for screenings/assessments domestic /sexual. Crisis line 1-800-382-5603.

Julie Wester, FCC -WISH: Serving 29 Counties in Western Iowa. Attorney General office identified not being served. Criminal process: robbed, victimized, hit by drunk driver, violent crime - can talk provide resources.

Outreach for Human Trafficking can provide presentations. 45 to 50% of traffic are their own families. Advocacy position open Buena Vista – Crawford. Would like bi-lingual specialist. Tear Away flyers sent to group by email to print and post. Sometimes it is asking the question in the correct way or the correct question that will have someone realize they are being trafficked.

Tiffany Smith, Buena Vista Public Health & Home Care/Family STEPS: BV PH - Nurses are training for new data program.

Family STEPS- Have waiting list of 4 to 5 families. Currently have 20 families per worker. Visits can vary from 1 time per week, twice a month, or once a month, varies with family.

Annette Koster, BVCS Early Childhood Iowa: Early Childhood Iowa is celebrating 20 years. There will be an Early Childhood Summit on October 3rd looking for testimonials.

Early Childhood Iowa is funding the following: Family STEPS, Child Care Nurse Consultant, Preschool Scholarships, Provider Development for Early Care and Education, Business Investment Program (child care).

Annette K shared the Iowa Mission of Mercy event to be held on Oct 5-6, 2018 at the Tyson Events Center in Sioux City. Please share with families that need dental care. The event is free and includes cleanings, x-rays, fillings, extractions, partials. Doors open at 6:30 am, be early!

# Next Meeting

Next meeting date is October 18 at 10:00 am.