

# SAC COUNTY COALITIONS



Decat/Community Partnerships for Protecting Children,  
BVCS Early Childhood Iowa Coalitions,  
Sac County Prevent Child Abuse Council,  
Tobacco, & Pregnancy Prevention



**Date:** April 13, 2020

**Time:** 9:00 am

**Location:** Virtual Meeting see email for ZOOM link

## NOTES:

- I. **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:** Annette Koster, BVCS Early Childhood Iowa; Bailey Hill, Child Care Resource & Referral; Lora Wright, ISU Extension & Outreach; Rachel Charlet, Child Health Specialties Clinic; Sara Pibal, East Sac County Principal; Emmalee Bolin, Parent Partners; Marcia Garcia, BHIS, Lutheran Services in Iowa; Mollie Scott, Decat/CPPC; Danette Morgan, LSI Foster Parents; Kayla Struchen, Tobacco, New Opportunities; Kelsey Hipnar, Seasons Center; Darla Peterson, IDPH; Mickayla Morris, LSI Pregnancy Prevention; Ann Osborn & Jackie Duffy, Sac County Health Services; Meridith Mickelson, 1<sup>st</sup> Five, Webster County Health Department; Jamie Miller West, Love n Logic & Mentoring; Mackenzie Dejong, Family Life Specialist, ISU Extension & Outreach; Sonja Fitje, Boys Town;
- II. **AGENDA - ADDITIONS** Consensus, no additions
- II. **FOLLOW-UP/REVIEW 2-10-20 MEETING MINUTES** Consensus, no updates
- III. **SAC COUNTY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL** Information/Discussion
  - Family STEPS Update: Carrie Coats, Family STEPS Worker: currently serving 18 families, providing virtual home visits when possible. Working from home, keeping in contact with each family weekly. Only have one family who has not responded to attempts to contact them. Taking referrals call Sac County Health Services at 712-662-4785
  - Love n Logic Update: Jamie Miller West, Held the first three classes in Sac City before COVID-19. Asked Love n Logic about having the remaining two classes by virtual means, was denied do to copy right. Love n Logic is offering free classes on-line, need to make an account.
  - Future of Council Discussion: Jackie Duffy made the recommendation to keep the Council active, establishes a good baseline, way to continue prevention activities, and all coalition members have a common goal and message. Other attendees agreed to keep the Council active.
  - Current activities: Mollie Scott presented the April Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation to the County Supervisors (virtually). The Sac County Supervisors declared April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Newspaper ads and articles were in last week's Sac Sun.
- III. **Decat/CPPC UPDATES:**
  - a. Mollie S is currently updating the Sac County Resource Directory, please review and send in and corrections and/or changes. Appreciate the help from Annette K.
  - b. Mini grant applications are due April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - c. Conferences are on hold for now due to COVID-19.

- d. Parent Café grant held two of the four Parenting Café. Sonja F in contact with Mollie S for a virtual option, if approved will finish out the classes. Estimated had eleven at the first Café and eight at the second.

**IV. BVCS EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA UPDATES:**

State Early Childhood Iowa has provided guidance that they will issue two month contract to start Fiscal Year 21, and amend when the Legislative Session reassembles and adjourns.

**VI. COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

**Pregnancy Prevention, Lutheran Services in Iowa:** Mickayla Morris, Classes came to a halt with school closing (COVID-19). Trainings possibly in May or summer. Prior to COVID-19 the Early school had reached out, was working with East Sac County schools, and was going to start Love Notes at the East Sac County High School.

**Tobacco Coalition, New Opportunities:** Kayla Struchen, will email out the Smoke Free Air Act and Quit Line Flyer please share/post. Quit Line piece *Be A Role Model By Quitting*, during this time it can be tempting and/or trigger sensation. Free replacement therapy is available. Continuing to work with area businesses on tobacco free and nicotine policies/practices.

Your Life Iowa focuses on six categories. Website COVID-19 information and maps geared toward Iowa.

Working from home on Community Ready Survey's. If interested in participating, let Kayla know.

Prime for Life in schools put on hold during school closures.

From Kayla Struchen to Everyone: 09:51 AM

<https://yourlifeiowa.org/>

**VII. COMMUNITY COALITION UPDATES/SHARING**

Attendees:	
BVCS Early Childhood Iowa Annette Koster	From Me to Everyone: 10:24 AM <a href="http://bvcsearlychildhoodiowa.org">bvcsearlychildhoodiowa.org</a> Sac County Resource Directory posted on BVCS Early Childhood Iowa website. Review and get back to Mollie Scott with corrections and or updates.
Boys Town of Iowa Sonya Fitje	Boys Town continuing to see families virtually. Resources to be used by anyone, Boys Town Hotline. Provides access to a Crisis Counselor and resources by phone and open to an international data base for resources. Young person website, free, Your Life Your Voice, mental health. Noticed an increase in anxiety on hotline and increased call volume. Will send out virtual Common Sense-Parenting Café classes when ready.  Boys Town National Hotline # 1-800-448-3000 <a href="http://yourlifeyourvoice.org">yourlifeyourvoice.org</a> for chat text and other information for young people
Child Care Resource & Referral Bailey Hill	The BVCS Early Childhood Conference (6 hours) in April has changed to a 2 hour webinar. Registration is still being accepted. Daily updating the CCR&R webpage with information including Business Loans/Grants, vacancies, etc.... In the Counties Bailey serves there are 12 centers of those only 2 remain open, on is Kids World. Homes are open. A home cannot claim

<p>Foster Care finger printing asked about child care providers.</p>	<p>unemployment unless closure is declared by the Governor, a case of COVID in home, most are not taking any new children but caring for those enrolled. If taking new children, are not getting calls.  DHS has approved “pop up” child care sites, mainly in place for school age children, over five years of age, not needed in this area.  Finger Printing is also a problem for child care providers. Department of Human Services allowing for State of Iowa background check for new and those renewing registration.</p>
<p>Child Health Specialty Clinic  Rachel Charlot</p>	<p>From Rachel Charlot to Everyone: 10:01 AM  I have to hop off, but Child Health Specialties Clinic in Carroll is still open with staff working off site and seeing patients via telehealth from their home. We will be hiring a nurse for Carroll in July-August with increased mental and behavioral health services with a PA starting in August. As always we have Family Navigation services to help families find resources, navigate the system, and provide emotional/listening support. You can contact us at 712-792-5530</p>
<p>Community Schools  <input type="checkbox"/> East Sac County  Sara Pibal</p>	<p>Meals on Friday, sites available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sac City, Middle School on North side</li> <li>• Wall Lake on North side</li> <li>• Lake View on Westside</li> <li>• Auburn at Library</li> </ul> <p>– Learning packets: elementary for three weeks.  – School leaders hear updates on webinars.  – Doing best to stay in contact with families.</p>
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Five Healthy Mental Development  Meredith Mickelson</p>	<p>1st Five -- statewide decrease in # of referrals. Referrals come from medical providers -- usually based on developmental concerns for young children. However with more of the well-child visits being postponed... the referrals coming in are more for parent stress &amp; resource needs.</p>
<p>ISU Extension and Outreach  <input type="checkbox"/> Family Life Specialist  Mackenzie Dejong</p>	<p>Currently not doing trainings until May 31<sup>st</sup>. Science of Parenting podcast is up and running. Podcast is available in video and audio. Radio interviews focusing on mental health or parenting.  Virtual offerings online series of healthy relationship education Wednesday at 12:30 (weekly).  Suicide Prevention – couple links below. What to look out for especially farming communities.</p> <p>Iowa Concern Hotline: 1-800-447-1985</p> <p>Relationship/Couples meetings:  <a href="https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/empower-helping-couples-take-care-themselves-during-covid-19">https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/empower-helping-couples-take-care-themselves-during-covid-19</a>  Suicide prevention meetings:  <a href="https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/suicide-prevention-program-available-virtually-agribusiness-community">https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/suicide-prevention-program-available-virtually-agribusiness-community</a>  Family Finance Specialist offering budgeting, call County office or Iowa Concern Hotline for connection.</p>
<p>ISU Extension and Outreach  Lora Wright</p>	<p>Stephanie Erpelding and Lora W have been alternating in the office. Stephanie is also doing a series each week focusing on science, sewing, stretching, and physical activity on Facebook.  Spend Start Eat Smart Facebook Page on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.</p>

	<p>Spend Smart. Eat Smart. Website:  <a href="https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/">https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/</a>  Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/spendsmarteatssmart/">https://www.facebook.com/spendsmarteatssmart/</a></p> <p>Lora is working with the Nutritional Specialist to offer Healthy &amp; Homemade Meals, cook now and eat later. Need to recruit participants, send to anyone who may be interested. Prepare and freeze, buy own groceries. Will be done by virtual means, no charge.</p>
<p>Iowa Department of Public Health  Darla Peterson</p>	<p>Normally role is to provide presentations for various groups. Concerned about STD increase rates. Condoms not available (on shelves) at Wal*Mart etc. (sold out). Concern of that people have access. If need condom distribution program to have in business, you can drop off at person door. Webinars available for education. Contact if want more information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to Talk with Teens about COVID</li> <li>• Scientific- Contagious</li> </ul> <p>Darla Peterson 515-401-7114</p>
<p>Lutheran Services in Iowa  <input type="checkbox"/> Behavior Intervention Support (BHIS)</p>	
<p>Lutheran Services in Iowa  <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care  Danette Morgan</p>	<p>Foster Care Closet continues to accept items. Bags and fidget items, the children can keep the items, Neighborhood Network mini grant. New activity kit on website, can be used by any family. Link provided. <a href="http://www.lsiowa.org/foster">www.lsiowa.org/foster</a> website for family activity kit Still trying to do classes, have virtual orientations. Ida Grove 14 families for the TIPS training. Finger printing has been an obstacle. County jails not allowing outside persons in. Increasing contact with families to make sure everyone is ok.</p>
<p>New Opportunities  <input type="checkbox"/> Head Start  Jenny Sorensen</p>	<p>Typically recruiting for next year. Unsure how this year will be completed. Hard to find children who qualify for Head Start, income based. Approved to do applications by phone. Will get signatures at a later date. Reach out to get recruitment piece completed. Sac City is a standalone location, need recruitment. Schaller is a shared classroom recruitment is easier with school connection. Goal is to have all three and four year olds have a preschool experience before Kindergarten.</p> <p>712-830-1326 is my cell phone number for Head Start recruitment</p>
<p>New Opportunities  <input type="checkbox"/> Family Development Center  Autumn</p>	<p>All programs are still available except close closet. Programs continue, treat as hardship. Energy look ahead 30 days. Food pantry income is waived, if not in the system, get verbal amount. Drive up, prepackaged, Wed from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Energy assistance extended until May 31<sup>st</sup>.</p>
<p>New Opportunities  <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring  Jamie Miller West</p>	<p>Mentoring after school program on hold. Webinar for mentors and mentees. Facebook Workplace allows same platform, news screen, group chat, and private chat. Join via email invite and private. Finding other ways to communicate example write letters, Skype, to be able to connect and share information. Looking into group events. Still taking applications. Face time mentor or mentees. Optional to meet or host Zoom meeting, if don't want to wait until cleared from COVID -19 restrictions.</p>
<p>Parent Partners  Emalee Bolin</p>	<p>Still visiting, virtually. Have one client in Sac &amp; one in Calhoun Counties. Any family that does not have enough data on safe link phone can text COVID to see what offering. Working from home, intakes continuing.</p>

<p>Sac County Health Service □ Health Services Ann Osborne &amp; Jackie Duffy</p>	<p>Attending webinars on COVID-19 to keep up to date on information and practices. Practice social distancing, no more than 10 in a group, confusion, typically if they don't live in the house, should not be in the house. Starting to see flattening to the curve. Still providing home care, taking necessary precautions. Limiting to only essential care.</p>
<p>Season Centers Kelsey Hipnar</p>	<p>Season Center for mental health is still taking new clients 712-262-2922 or call myself 712-3630-1098 all telehealth for right now.  Our respite kids they get a monthly care package in the mail and love them, we may need to keep that after all of this.</p>