

**Attendees:** Janet Gritten (Buena Vista Public Health & Home Care); Bailey Hill Child Care Resource & Referral); Mikayla Morris –CAPP, Marcia Garcia – BHIS, Danette Morgan – Foster Care Recruiter (Lutheran Services in Iowa); Yoseline Padilla, Diana Toreess – WISH (Family Crisis Center).

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#### Follow-Up/Review Previous meeting minutes

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

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#### BV County PCA Council

Janet Gritten: Family STEPS starting July will be working with Immigrant Families services, high school. Referral received from WIC. Look to be full in July, currently down in families.

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#### Early Childhood Iowa Updates – Annette Koster

Reviewed the Strategic adopted March 2018, part of the BVCS Early Childhood Iowa Community Plan for 2019 – 2021. The first column Identified as Needs/Issues were identified during Strategic Planning meeting held in conjunction with the Buena Vista Child Abuse Prevention Council and Decat/CPPC. The second column are priorities that were set including child care increase quality and availability, mental health for young child's (0-5 years) development, building connecting, referrals and education about services in the communities, child abuse prevention, and mental health for youth (6-18 years). Rational for the identified priorities are listed in the third column.

Discussion was held.

Child care is still an issue, center staff turnover, working with Iowa Women's Foundation but still struggling to increase the number of child homes, issues with opposite shifts for parents, Foster Care children have to be in Licensed/Registered facilities. Determined child care was still a high need.

Mental Health for young and youth, referrals of youth to JCO criminal but have mental health stigma, more related behavior seen developmentally, social media and vaping contributing factors across multiple counties. Building, connecting, Referrals and Education, need to strengthen to do better. Coalition meetings are helpful. Resource Director helpful, continue to update, determine best option for layout 8/10 or 8 ½ by 5 ½.

BVCS Early Childhood Iowa has around \$12,000 in funds to be determined for FY 20. Seeking information from the Coalition as to what they feel would be a good use for the funds. Hearing no recommendations, Annette K shared Crawford County was interested in Common Sense Parenting, a research based parent education training. Two curriculums one for toddlers and one for school age. Discussed it was similar to Strengthening Families used at drug court.

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#### Tobacco Updates – Merle Hinton

Compass Pointe has closed. Need to check on who is providing the Tobacco grant for Buena Vista County, or see if they still want to be on the agenda.

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#### Pregnancy Prevention Update –

Contract for FSY 2020 service area includes Crawford, Sac, Buena Vista, and Cherokee. Another worker serves Clay, Dickenson, Obrien Counties. Aubrey O'Neil start a group. Health teacher in Sioux Central on STD to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Still working to provide services in Storm Lake schools. Explanation Community Adolescent Pregnancy Program (CAPP) see handout.

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## Community Sharing: Coalition Attendee Updates

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Bailey Hill Child Care Resource & Referral, Child Care Consultant: Mandatory Reporter changing the end of the month. July 1<sup>st</sup> Department of Human Services (DHS) will require people to take both child and adult trainings separately. It will be good for three years. Will have one curriculum across the state, available on-line.

Family Crisis Center (FCC), Yoseline Padrilla & Diana Torres – WISH Unit: FCC provides services for domestic violence, advocate for client, law enforcement, community, and housing, housing program in Sioux Center. On call 24-7 crisis transfer shelter. Able to do presentation for domestic violence, bullying, and human trafficking. Sister Agency is CASSA sexual abuse advocate, panty. Both are free and confidential.

Maria Garcia, Lutheran Service in Iowa, BHIS: BHIS is status quo Family Prevention Act provide services in home.

Second round of Strengthening Families will be offered Aug 1<sup>st</sup> – Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. Will serve people in drug treatment court first then will then referrals will be accepted. Child care provided for parents in group, family meal, ages 3-5 and 6-11.

Migrant Program move to full-time LSI will serve 3-5 years and Family STEPS will serve 0-2 years. Already 40 kids on wait list. Parents moved or migrated to Storm Lake qualify. Free lunch, school coast, after school.

Danette Morgan, Lutheran Service in Iowa, Foster Care Recruiter: In September an Orientation will be held to prepare the TIPS class to be held in October. Please help spread the word. Foster Care is needed in Buena Vista County. Please tell anyone you feel maybe a good Foster Parent.

ACEs July 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Newly formed NW IA ACEs Coalition. If you are interested in joining please send an email to Dawn Sickelka. Would like to know what is happening in the area related to ACEs, what is missing, what is needed.

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**Next Meeting Date:** August 15 at 10:00 am

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