

## Early Ages Healthy Stages Coalition October Meeting Minutes

Date: October 11, 2019 Time: 9:30 am- 11:30 am

Location: Cleveland Public Library

## **Welcome and Introductions** Discussion Welcome's and Introduction **Points** Today's Agenda: o Review of September's Meeting o Presentation: Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled Working Groups Things we did well in September: We had a small group but we made good progress; members are very pleased with all of the additions to the website; the meeting flowed well; we learned about many new opportunities with Tri-C. Things we need to improve upon: increase meeting attendance; allow more discussion after the presentation to talk about how it relates to the work of EAHS; working group attendance is not consistent; we should consider adding CHWs to working groups to assist with projects Conclusion/ Welcome to our first time attendees! **Actions** Please utilize the website if you have trouble receiving the Mailchimp campaigns. Communications regarding the coalition go out almost every Thursday. The EAHS grant coordinator position will be posted on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Please share with your networks as appropriate.

II. Presentation: Kenneth Redd, Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled		
Discussion Points	The Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled (OLBPD) serves anyone in the State of Ohio who has difficulty reading standard print. OLBPD serves all ages and services are	
	completely free of charge for those that qualify. Materials available include: DVD players with DVD enhanced audio capabilities, Braille books and magazines, audio books, non-fiction books, and opportunities to connect with patrons and provide materials via mobile	

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	apps. OLBPD also has a book club program (bith-11 and 13-18) in which participants earn prizes for leveling up.
	<ul> <li>Sign-ups for services can be done on an individual or institutional basis. The sign-up form can be downloaded from the OLBPD website.</li> </ul>
	• Future activities include: expansion to other disabilities, technology with wifi capabilities, and partnership on Family Fun and Learning Day in July.
Conclusion/ Actions	<ul> <li>Opportunities for ECE programs, parents, and young children to interact with OLBPD:         <ul> <li>Picture books are available in Braille. These can be used by both children as well as visually impaired parents and caregivers that would like to read to children.</li> <li>Narrated DVDs can be borrowed for family movie nights</li> <li>Parents and caregivers are able to access the OLBPD homebound service where all materials can be mailed to them free of charge.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

III. Working Groups		
Discussion Points	Working groups did not meet in October.	
Conclusion/ Actions	Working groups will reconvene in November.	

Discussion Points	Please save the date for the next meeting of the EAHS Coalition:
	November 8, 2019
	Hosted by the Sisters of Charity Foundation
	9:30-11:30 am
	Location:
	William Patrick Day School
	2421 Community College Avenue
	Cleveland, OH 44115
Upcoming Events:	Meetings for the remainder of 2019 have been posted to the Events Pages on the EAHS website
	<ul> <li>We are looking for meeting hosts for 2020. Please contact Alison if you are interested in hosting or know of a space.</li> </ul>

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