

Early Ages Healthy Stages Coalition December Meeting Minutes

Date: December 13, 2019 Time: 9:30 am- 11:30 am

Location: CCBH

I. Welcon	ne back and Introductions
Discussion Points	Members were asked to go around and share a personal and/or professional event in 2020 that they were looking forward to experiencing.
Conclusion/ Actions	 We have so much to look forward to in 2020! We are anxious to experience college graduations, traveling, retirements, milestone birthdays, more opportunities for our children and families, sleep, and expansion of programs and collaborations for the benefit of our community. We also learned that we love our jobs, are passionate about the work we do, achieved program goals, received new funding to support projects, increased enrollment, established new partnerships amongst coalition members, and are looking forward to all that a new decade will bring for the benefit young children and their families in our community.

II. 2020 Cen	sus	
Discussion Points	•	The 2020 Census is critical for future funding, programs, and opportunities for young children in Cuyahoga County. The expectation is that the Census will be completed online and only 20% of the surveys will be completed on paper. This could present a huge challenge for families that do not have computers in homes and have low levels of computer literacy. There will be several opportunities for our families to complete the
	•	census at a computer bank. 75% of children in the City of Cleveland are at risk of not being counted. The City of Cleveland is #2 in the country for projected undercount for children under the age of 5.

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	• February 22 nd will be messaging campaign day.
	All of the Census materials are on the EAHS website.
Conclusion/	What can you do as an EAHS member or organization?
Actions	- Become an official census partner.
	- Advocate with your families to complete the census.
	- Fill out your census!

III. EAHS: 2	019
Discussion Points	 We have a lot to be proud of in 2019! It has taken a village to continue this work and it is because of each and every one of our members and partners that we have continued to accomplish great things. Highlights: We have 9 garden grants implemented and awarded 5 more for 2020! 5 Health Champions have been working to change a problem in their community that is impacting the young children and their families in care. 118 programs achieved the Ohio Healthy Program designation. This work impacted over 7000 children and 4000 families through 436 new policies, 4500 family engagement activities, and hundreds of changes to menus. We participated in several community events to spread the word about EAHS and OHP. We introduced EAHS's new system of to the community and had several new partners join us as they could now explicitly see how they contribute to our collective work. We instituted a new working group structure, increased our transparency and communication, and won a national award! Each working group progressed on their objectives, for the benefit of the early childhood community.
Conclusion/ Actions	These accomplishments would not have been achieved without your passion and dedication. We are very fortunate to have an amazing group of people that we have the privilege of working with each and every month.

IV. EAHS: 2	2020
Discussion Points	• There are many opportunities on the horizon for EAHS for 2020. We are due for a new strategic plan and have the chance to think critically about what we need to help us reach our full potential as a coalition.
Conclusion/ Actions	• The Annual Survey is still open – whether you have attended every meeting or kept up with us from afar – we need your feedback!
	• In early January, our system survey will be coming out. We want to understand we are capacity currently lies and where the best opportunities are for us to maximize our expertise and resources.
	We need to consider our infrastructure and funding portfolio that will get us to a new

strategic plan. • EAHS is moving to a quarterly meeting schedule!

Discussion	Please save the date for the next meeting of the EAHS Coalition:	
Points		
	January 10, 2020	
	Cleveland Clinic	
	Langston Hughes Community Health and Education Center	
	2390 E 79th St,	
	Cleveland, OH 44104	
	Agenda:	
	American Heart Association	
	Dolly Parton Imagination Library	
	Cleveland Clinic	
	EAHS: 2020 and Beyond	

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