

Early Ages Healthy Stages Coalition Meeting Minutes

Date: May 21, 2020 Time: 9:00 am- 10:30 am

Location: GlobalMeet

I. Welcome back and Introductions		
Discussion Points		
Conclusion/ Actions	 Coronavirus has certainly challenged all us to think about our work differently. We are dealing with the COVID-19 response in many ways: Several direct service agencies have converted to telehealth services and curbside dropoff. Head Start is providing meals and online learning to enrolled children. Ideastream and The Literacy Cooperative are using online newsletter to communicate with teachers and families. Happy to communicate info from EAHS in these newsletters. Bright Beginnings in noticing that potential clients are more likely to accept services at this time. Central State is providing food demos at the Coit Rd farmer's market and is doing online classes with CMSD WIC is providing remote visits. 1 adult must come to the clinic to load benefits onto the card. The Kids Meal Beverage campaign being led by the American Heart Association is currently engaging in social media and online advocacy. CCBH will begin providing online Ohio Healthy Program trainings in June. 	

II. Review	of January 2020 Meeting
Discussion	We had presentations from the Cleveland Healthy Kids Meal Campaign, Dolly Parton
Points	Imagination Library, and the Cleveland Clinic

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• Review of the 2019 annual survey – biggest challenges for the group moving forward include meeting attendance and group engagement.

- Overview of plan for new strategic planning process
- EAHS Vision 2020 exercise complete

Conclusion/ Actions

- Things we did well: exploring the future of EAHS; new ideas around partnership; sharing of speakers, events, and meetings via email; and the sharing of how data and feedback are being incorporated into future planning
- Things we can improve upon: more people sharing thoughts about visioning; more
 practical steps for us to take moving forward; more specific working group goals and
 structure
- Vision 2020 Exercise What We Learned
 - Success for 2020 includes increased attendance, collaboration, more organizations, a sense of community, continued connections of resource and services to providers, and increased engagement
 - Success for 2021 and beyond increased collaboration and community, a focus on health, a focus on children, progress on policy and impacting and defining success
 - Areas members are interested in coming together on for 2020: building an evidence-base; increasing and improving connections between partners and ECE programs; and a health focused communications campaign
 - We are actively developing work on each of these three areas. Stay tuned to our communications over the summer for move information.

III. EAHS 2020

Discussion Points

Systems Survey: Since we invested the past 18 months creating our systems map and acting on what we learned, we have chosen to ground our next strategic plan in our system, to ensure we are maximizing connections and leveraging our capacity and expertise to work in other areas of the system. We had a great response to our survey and over 250 selections made, representing where respondents are working in the system. The top 5 areas are physical activity, family engagement, food access, social emotional health, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).

Results Based Accountability Framework: For several reasons, we have decided to move from using the Strategic Prevention Framework for our strategic planning process and instead will be using Results Based Accountability (RBA). While we are switching our framework, we are by no means starting over in terms of what the coalition is about or the way we function. RBA will force us to think big picture, and really visualize what we hope for our young children 10 years from now. Ultimately – will anyone be better off because of our work? What are we trying to achieve? We will start with the end and work backwards to how we are going to get there. RBA will make us carefully consider what we contribute to in terms of the population and what we are responsible for in terms of our performance. RBA will also allow us to leverage political and better align our work to the priorities of our local and state partners. EAHS is fortunate enough to have the assistance of CCBH's new Performance and Quality Administrator, Renee Raffali, to facilitate the RBA process for EAHS.

RBA Step 1 – What Do We Look Like When We Do Our Best Work? We sent out a survey and asked our members this question. We had a great response and clearly have very high hopes for the future of our young children and their families. We recognize that it is

	going to take all of us working together for things to improve and we are currently well positioned to innovate and prioritize health moving forward.
Conclusion/ Actions	 Systems Survey Take Aways: There is a lot of strong, on-going work in the five areas of the system that represent our health priorities. There is a lot of potential to increase our efforts in political will, funding, and creating a culture of health and wellness in ECE. Ohio Healthy Program is integrated and connected to several areas of the system. RBA is really going to lend itself to us for big picture thinking and developing a strategic plan that is clear and easy to understand. It will also allow us to develop metrics that will better hold us accountable to work.

IV. RBA Par	rt 2 – Our Cause, Our Actions, Our Impact
Discussion Points	 The purpose of the narrative survey was to afford us the opportunity to revise our mission and vision, if necessary, to really reflect our vision for the future. A lot has changed both within the coalition and in our community for young children and we need to re-affirm both our goal and our role in that. To best consider possible revisions, Renee organized the responses to the narrative survey into 3 categories: 1) our cause – who, what and where; 2) our actions – what we do; 3) our impact – what changes for the better? Several theme emerged: 1) our cause – children, families, community, and childcare providers/environments; 2) our actions – health and wellbeing, community collaboration, services/resources; and 3) our impact – improved nutrition, early success for children, and involved families.
Conclusion/ Actions	 EAHS members will draft impact statements based on the above themes. CCBH will send Mailchimp campaign the week of June 1st for coalition members to vote on possible revisions.

V. EAHS Strategic Planning Next Steps	
Discussion Points	 Week of June 1st – Impact Statement Survey June – September: Convene group to complete RBA process that sets the foundation for EAHS August/September – Virtual coalition meeting October – December/January: Convene working groups to complete RBA process for each group December – Virtual coalition meeting January – March – Finalize strategic plan
Conclusion/ Actions	 Communication will be crucial! Please stay tuned to the email communications that will be coming out. Also follow EAHS on Facebook and Twitter.

V. Next Meeting		
Discussion Points	TBD, based on RBA progress	

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