



*State of Wisconsin Birth to 3 Interagency Coordinating Council*

An Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) Meeting

Tuesday, January 12, 2010  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Risser Justice Building  
120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

**In Attendance:** Sandra Butts (Chair), William Barreau, Toni Dakins, Victoria Deer (phone), Greg DiMiceli, Cindy Flauger, Sharon Fleischfresser (phone), Jill Haglund, Linda Huffer, Mary Maronek, Allison Olson, Laura Saterfield, Linda Tuchman, Theresa Vincent, Norma Vrieze, Julie Walsh

**Excused Absence:** Linda Leonhart, Nancy Marz, Jill Soltau

**State Staff:** Carol Noddings Eichinger, Darsell Johns, Dana Romary, Jacqueline Moss

Chair Sandra Butts called the meeting to order at 9:08 with introductions, then opened the floor for any public comments - there were none.

**Motion:** To accept the minutes of September 22, 2009, by Greg D, seconded by William B. after correction made under 'Revisit target' in Child Find report. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

The meeting was turned over to Carol E. for a basic overview of the progress of the APR due into OSEP by February 1, 2010, and the state's indicator compliance. Overall, Wisconsin demonstrated progress from last year but still striving for 100 percent on the compliance indicators. Carol related highlights of the OSEP four-day visit in early December, and Birth to 3 complaints and mediation requests for the past year. OSEP implementation of Determination requirements will result in Wisconsin either continuing to 'meet requirements' or if state is in the 'needs assistance' category.

**Child Outcomes Data-setting of targets-**

This review presented on Power Point which included OSEP requirement, Child Outcome Summary form (COSF), seamless transitions, decision tree for summary rating, and discussions on development trajectories. This is the first year for national data to factor calculations and PPS being able to pull particular dynamics from this program.

There were discussions listing the pros and cons of target and baseline outcomes-

**Motion:** Terri V. proposed outcomes should be the same as baseline for 2010-2011 with minimal increase in second year until more data is available, William B. seconded – motion carried, except for one abstention.

Agenda item 'Review of Opt-Out Policy' will be discussed at the next ICC meeting.

**Vacancies-**

Council vacancies were addressed with suggestions and discussions on how to recruit parent representatives, legislators, and providers to fill slots which prompted discussion on reviewing and updating this council's by-laws and contact information.

The group was reminded that a 'written resignation' should be sent to the Governor's office from council members who resign. Discussions ensued on what groups could be contacted to serve the ICC and in what capacity.

Sandra B., Norma V., Sharon F., and Linda T. comprise the Executive Committee of the ICC and will review and update its by-laws.

Sandra B. let the council know she is resigning as Chair of the ICC to accommodate Milwaukee County needs since the retirement of Liz Kraniak. She issued an open invitation to consider nominations for a new chair and vice-chairperson.

**Next Meeting:** Friday, April 30, 2010, Circles of Life Conference in Stevens Point at the Holiday Inn.

Recommend December snow-dates each year and virtual meetings, also. Members broke for lunch at 12:18 and reconvened at 1:00.

**Committee Reports-**

**Fiscal:** The committee will explore numbered memos on MOE (WHCSA) and discuss amended process at tomorrow's meeting (January 13, 2010) which will cover B-3 Waivers and guidelines for use and contacting committee members with questions and concerns.

**Child Find:**

Most of report covered in 'Child Outcomes' segment of these minutes. Waiting to see if significant difference in median age of 24 months. Discussions of physician awareness prompted Linda T. sharing the creation of a 30 minute web tutor for doctors explaining what Birth to 3 is and hoping to get more children into the program before they reach 1 year old.

Autism and cochlea implant discussions revealed insurance does not kick in for Autism until the child is 2 years old and mandated implants covered up to 18 years old.

**Fiscal Climate – New Initiatives:**

Billing impact, identify changes, special educator billing and unreimbursed funds determine provider number – counties should find who does billing; what and who is approved. Counties will have to decide if they should outsource, or not. State government cannot advise on this issue. System change requirements will back up the program 6-8 months; cons outweigh pros here.

DHS 90 special educator license through DPI; Medicaid requires a certified provider (in this issue) IFSP signed by a physician, multiple documents that need signing. These details are still under discussion. DHS is cautious about CMS needing to come in to review changes, and is exploring mechanisms to work within the current State Plan language – state staff will send clarification and frequently asked questions on this issue.

**ARRA Funds:**

Discussion covered summary of utilization of funds currently, launching of all ARRA funded initiatives, and amendments in second year if allocations are not being spent. Sheldon and Rush coming here January 26-27, to train at the Leadership Conference in Wisconsin Dells; kick-off for major training on evidence-based practice initiative.

They will facilitate another training April 26-27, 2010, and provide TA support for six months. Ten to twenty mentors will provide coaching in tandem with a RESource or WPDP lead to county consortiums, and will be provided stipends of about \$2,500 yearly—applications for mentors in training will be available in February.

Linda H. moved for adjournment – the Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:05.