Warren County Early Childhood Committee

Minutes/Notes February 6, 2019 10:00 A.M. Wells Fargo 515 N. Jefferson Way Indianola, Iowa 50125



Attendance

Bonnie Forsythe, Jovanka Westbrook, Veronica McVay, Sarah Peterson, Lynn Wente, Michelle Greenough, Myra Willms, Kelsey Marmon, Kody Massener, Kelly Phelps, Julie Miller, Gina Wells, Kim Post and Debra Schrader.

Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and shared what their favorite breakfast is.

Legislative Update - There is SF11 regarding providing one evidenced based home visit to Medicaid clients with newborns; SF163 is regarding eligibility for child care assistance.

Census - The US Census will be starting soon and its important to note that counting the correct numbers impact funding in many ways.

Families First Act - An informational meeting was conducted January 16, 2019 by Janee Harvey from DHS. This provided an overview of the changes with the child welfare system that will be in effect July 2020.

Health Fair - The Warren County Health fair is June 13, 2019 at the YMCA from 4:00-7:00.

Learn and Play - Groups will be in Thursday mornings from 10:30-noon in Norwalk which started January 24, 2019.

Dental - Sarah Peterson provided an update dental provider list of Warren and Madison County. There are less providers taking Medicaid than a year ago. Additionally Representative Stan Gustafson has donated 144 toothbrush from Delta Dental to the dental screening programming. February is national children's dental health month.

Children's Well Being Collaborative - Several community partners representing Warren County attended the January 25, 2019 meeting in Ames at the Gateway Center. There is a concentration on marketing 211 and there is an abundance of materials available. The next meeting is April 12th in Ames.

Warren County Wellness Coalition/5-2-1-0 - The Coalition meeting is today at 12:30 at the YMCA.

4 R Kids ECI - The 4 R Kids ECI will have a board member position open starting July1.

First Five Coalition - is February 21, 2019 from 12:00-1:00 at the Indianola Library.

Federal Poverty Guidelines - have been released go here.

Kids Count Data - is available by County go <u>here</u>.

Meeting Schedule - FY20 meeting schedule was reviewed, it will mirror the schedule for FY19.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is March 6, 2019 at Wells Fargo, 2nd Floor, 515 N. Jefferson Way in Indianola Iowa.