

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes

Waukee Church of Hope
305 N.E. Dartmoor
Waukee, Iowa 50263
10:30am – 12 Noon
Wednesday August 27, 2025

Meeting Handouts

A [Dallas County Meeting Folder](#) is available for meeting handouts and other agency information. Go [here](#) to access the information and it is open to the public. Meeting agendas and minutes are located at www.4rkids-eci.org.

Attendance and Introductions

Jenny Felt (DCAT), Brayden Porter (CIAC) Cameron (ISU Extension), Ricki Hall (Big Brothers Big Sisters), Kaylie Graham (CIAC), Melany Garcia (Short Years P), Natalie Peters (Dallas County Public Health, Dawn Holt (LSI), Emma Hall (Iowa Primary Care Assc.) Alma Claussen (Zion), Lisa Carstens (Zion), Liza Maxwell (Iowa Primary Care Assc) Carol Bayer (New Opps), Shelley Flanery (Ivory Plains), Julie Gibbons (Polk County DAP) Misty DeRues (Every Step), and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids).

Presentation

Emma Hall and Liza Maxwell with Iowa Primary Care provided a brief presentation about the new behavioral health services. Dallas County is in in District 5 that include 13 other counties.

Agency and Other Information

- DCAT/CPPC has mini grants available.
- Cruise into Bouton will be September 27, 2025 from 11:00-4:00, everyone is welcome to attend.

Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4 R Kids ECI FY25 executive summary was shared.
- The FY25 Thrive Iowa data was shared.
- Dental Quest will be a new dental provider for Medicaid recipients starting July 1, 2026.
- The child care services map was shared.
- DOGE recommendations were shared, red tape hotline, merit pay for teachers, revising state employee compensation/IPERS, underused facilities and resource sharing between counties are the main topics.
- Altoona Smiles PC will be providing free dental care September 17th, call 515-967-3046 for an appointment.
- Hazel Health is a no cost to families for mental health services that Perry Schools and other schools participate in.

Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The FY25 ICAPP annual report was reviewed.
- An update on FY26 programming was provided.
- Update on the executive committee was provided.
- The FFATA report and 990 for 2024 have been filed.
- The 1st claim was submitted through Iowa grants.

The next in person meeting is September 24, 2025.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Schrader