



## Sunny Start Core Partners Meeting Summary

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	Tuesday, July 22, 2008
<b>Location:</b>	Indiana State Dept. of Health, Rice Auditorium
<b>Facilitators:</b>	Dr. Judy Ganser Staff – Maureen Greer, Toni Harpster
<b>Participants:</b>	Melanie Brizzi, Daniel Clendenning, Sheron Cochran, Michael Conn-Powers, Missy Hahn, Lisa Henley, Rebecca Kirby, Phyllis Kikendall, Susan Lightle, Paula McClain, Kimberly Minniear, Mary Jo Paladino, Isaac Randolph, David Roos, Kent Smith, Karen Teliha, Marsha Thompson, Julia Tipton-Hogan, Angela Tomlin, Dianna Wallace, Candace Shaffer (IAEYC)
<b>Items of Interest</b>	Dates for the next core partner meeting – October 28, 2008. Please mark your calendars! - - Note: Dates for 2009 – Tuesday, January 27; Tuesday, April 28; Tuesday, July 28; Tuesday, October 27. All meetings will be from 1:00 until 3:00 pm. Sunny Start Web-site – <a href="http://www.sunnystart.in.gov">www.sunnystart.in.gov</a> Early Childhood Meeting Place Website - <a href="http://earlychildhoodmeetingplace.indiana.edu">http://earlychildhoodmeetingplace.indiana.edu</a>
<b>Attachments:</b>	n/a

<b>Summary of meeting:</b>	<p>Dr. Judy Ganser began the meeting with introductions. The first item on the agenda was core partners updates. A summary of those updates are listed below:</p> <p>Daniel Clendenning – Center for Health Policy - Daniel explained that we are interested in getting Core Partner feedback on how Sunny Start is meeting it's objectives. He encouraged all present to take time to complete the short survey which can be found at <a href="http://www.policyinstitute.iu.edu/projectDetail.aspx?ProjectID=4373">http://www.policyinstitute.iu.edu/projectDetail.aspx?ProjectID=4373</a></p> <p>Toni will send the URL to all Core Partners within the next few days.</p> <p>Susan Lightle (Head Start Collaboration) reported that several members of the team that went to Baltimore participated in a meeting with the Kids Can't Wait Initiative. This initiative has been formed by key stakeholders in Indianapolis. They are strategizing at the local level with a goal of sharing</p>
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resources with families before a crisis ensues.

Michael Conn-Powers (Indiana Institute for Disability and Community) reported on the Early Childhood Meeting Place expansion –materials have gone out along with a letter to over 2,600 physicians. The physicians are encouraged to put the materials in their waiting room. Families can pull off a tab that give the site location. Several physicians have already placed an order for more materials.

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### **ECCS/Sunny Start in Review –**

Dr. Ganser reviewed the history of the initiative from the strategic planning phase through year three of implementation. A copy of the presentation will be posted on the Sunny Start website ([www.sunnystart.in.gov](http://www.sunnystart.in.gov)) Key accomplishments include:

- Expansion of the Early Childhood Meeting Place
- Adoption of Utah Clicks universal application by Indiana WINS (currently being implemented in several counties for all MCH programs)
- Support of a study on the economic dimensions of the child care industry in Indiana
- Supported the 2007 Summer Institute for early childhood mental health providers
- Development of an up to date developmental calendar; posted on the Early Childhood Meeting Place and also available in print - - Note: Currently working on a Spanish version
- Developed the Social-Emotional Development of Young Children Consensus Statement

Dr. Ganser said that it is time to move forward as we are heading into a new year. The project will extend for the next nine months, continuing with the same primary objectives as the last year. However, we do have the opportunity to come up with new strategies to accomplish them.

### **Workplan Review**

Melanie Brizzi led the group in a discussion on the current workplan, highlighting key items and deciding how we want to proceed into the next year. A summary of the discussion follows:

***Medical Passport*** – Core Partners would like to review the proposed changes; recommended by the Family Advisory Committee. Toni will send the passport + changes to CP within the week. Once changes are consolidated, Mary Jo Paladino will work with Sunny Start team and Family Advisory Committee members to come up with recommendations for next steps. It was also recommended that information be added regarding social-emotional screening and referral to First Steps. Phyllis Kikendall will follow up on who the best person would be to get input regarding foster care children. Mary Jo will report the status of the passport to Core Partners at the next

meeting

***Early Childhood Meeting Place*** – The group contended that efforts to market the site should continue. They also stated that our group should promote the site whenever possible. An example of how this is done is the Path's to Quality project and their link to the ECMP.

***Medical and Dental Home*** – Dr. Ganser explained that this group has infused with the Coordinated Integrated System of Services (CISS) group that meets on a regular basis. There were many groups meeting on the subject of medical home so consolidating made sense. Kim Minniear, the director of the CISS project is a Core Partner and will keep the group updated on the project. Melanie will check into the Childcare Voucher Application including medical home information.

***Indiana WINS*** – After much discussion it was decided that a small task force be put together to discuss this project and how to bring it forward so that it truly is a universal application.

#### **Next Steps**

- A new format for the workplan will be developed so that it is more like a Project Plan. It will include actions steps, timeline and person(s) responsible.
- Core Partners will be asked about their top 5 goals for Sunny Start for the next nine months and beyond.
- Once these goals have been evaluated we will look at sub-committee structure and decide what committees to add