



Skagit County Child and Family Consortium

March 20, 2013

Meeting Minutes

Featured Topics:

Upcoming changes to Children's Administration, Silvia Johnson

Silvia Johnson from Children's Administration presented information on Family Assessment Response (FAR) program that will eventually be implemented in the Mt. Vernon office. It implements a differential response system that provides an alternative pathway for families with accepted reports of child abuse and neglect, who have a low to moderate risk of future child maltreatment. FAR provides for a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect, family strengths and needs. Emphasis is on engagement and collaboration to thoroughly assess and target service needs. Implementation of FAR in Mt. Vernon may start in January 2014.

EYE (Educating Youth for Employment) on Jobs Program, Brian Humphrey

Brian Humphrey provided a review and update on the EYE on Jobs Program. Current school districts participating are La Conner, Burlington-Edison, Concrete, and Sedro-Woolley. Work Source provides services and training for obtaining jobs for youth and adults. Youth Employment Skills Workshop is Tuesday April 16th from 3:30-6:00 pm. They need business and agencies to be hosts as well as participate in interviews with youth. Call Laurel Smith at 416-3517 for information.

SCCFC Updates:

Power in Numbers Campaign Funding Opportunity

Lyndie provided an update on the Power in Numbers Campaign. RFP's have gone out to the districts to take part in this year's campaign. They will receive \$200 towards their project.

ACEs Workshop

ACES Workshops will be completed on Thursday March 21st. On-line courses are available – contact Lyndie for information.

Membership Update

Evelyn Turner has recently left her position with Launching Success to care for her mother. Evelyn served on the Executive Board for two years and continued to contribute to the Consortium after her term was completed. Her energy and input will be missed. Our hope is that Launching Success will continue to have a presence at the Consortium, once they have hired her replacement.

Roundtable:

Catholic Community Services – Jonna

Strengthening Families program is being offered in Anacortes during the month of April. CCS is moving to electronic medical records. Intensive Wrap Around program has openings for folks receiving Medicaid.

Samish Indian Tribe – Benjamin

OSPI is partnering to include Sovereignty Curriculum for grades K-12, this is the 4th year. Field trip for the 3rd grade class is June 6th at the Fidalgo Bay RV Resort. The 30th annual youth camp will be in Bellingham April 1-5th and the Nooksack Tribe is hosting.

Emerson High School – Eric

Enrollment is down. Open house is being planned. Many students affected by the recent shooting in Sedro-Woolley.

Sedro-Woolley School District-Kay Walter

WA Kids being utilized in the district. New Kindergarten screening and connecting elementary teachers with pre-school teachers and childcare providers is in process.

Health Department-Heather Parker

Nurse Family Partnership program is increasing, additional nurses have been hired. In intensive support program for first time low-income moms that includes visits twice a month until the children are 2.

Samish Indian Tribe- Vocational Rehab - Sandra Wright

Any native in Skagit, Snohomish, and San Juan counties can receive services from their program.

Job Corp – Jennifer & Brent

Current freeze on enrollment until the month of July can continue to serve homeless and foster care students.

Closing Announcements:

Next Meeting: April 17, 2013 ~ 9:00 – 10:30 AM

Meeting Attendees:

Benjamin Jojola, Samish Indian Nation
Brian Humphrey, WorkSource
Diane Linnell,
Eric Holl, NWESD
Jed Cate, Burlington PD
Jonna Zieber, Catholic Comm. Services
Kari Jellison, DCFS
Kaye Chapman
Kay Walter, SWSD
Lyndie Case, SCCFC
Rob Werner, United Way
Robin Hoover, Skagit/Island Headstart

Wenda Cross, Skagit/Island Headstart
Wendi Thomas, NWESD
Angela Fields, PCAP, Skagit Recovery
Brent Carter, Job Corps
Bruce Shellhamer, Crossroads Covenant
Heather Parker, Skagit County Health Dept
Jennifer Morford, Job Corp
Julia VanPutten, PCAP/Skagit Recovery
Kat Mattix, PCAP/Skagit Recovery
Sandra Wright, Samish Indian Nation
Silvia Johnson, DCFS