



Skagit County Child and Family Consortium

General Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2014

Location: Family Resource Center, 320 Pacific Place, Mt. Vernon

Time: 9:00-10:30am

Presentations:

1. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)

Jennifer Walton shared with the general members about the NFP program, which currently has openings. Across the county there are around 200-300 mothers who are eligible for the program. The program currently has capacity to work with 75 mothers at any given time, but they must be first time mothers, presenting with low income (WIC/Medicaid eligible mothers qualify), within the first 28 weeks of their pregnancy, and it's a voluntary program.

The program is evidenced based that looks at transforming lives, and works with mother's from prenatal until child is 2 years old; there are up to 64 visits (60-90 minutes long). The goals of this program include improving pregnancy outcomes, improving child health and development, and improving economic self-sufficiency. Nurse Practitioners work with mothers on personal health, environmental health, life course/family planning, parent role, and personal relationships. Since this program began about 234 mothers have been served and 93% infants and toddlers are meeting NFP objectives for language and development.

SCCFC Updates

1. SCCFC Executive Board – currently accepting nominations for the following positions: **Vice President, Treasurer, and Member at Large #6 (new member welcome)**.
 - a. Members are eligible if they are in good standing (attend at least 3 meetings in the year), and nominations can be accepted from self or others
 - b. contact Lyndie Case and Jodie DesBiens to submit nominations
 - c. Elections will occur June 18th
2. Upcoming Trainings in the community:
 - a. ACES 101 (resiliency study, neurobiology) – early summer was selected to help increase attendance for targeted population

- b. Responding to complex trauma – 6 hr training that is looking to be offered mid-late august
 - c. Comp. Health Ed. Foundation (CHEF) - will focus on data from Skagit County and Regional area; director for learning is Laura Porter and they are trying to do a community workshop, training, and education; hoping this can occur in the fall
- 3. Community Inclusion Campaign – DDD survey was offered; good response from community and link to survey was posted on Skagit Breaking
 - a. Marketing group through Western, collaborating with our County first, and with a focus on “a place for all abilities”
 - b. Print campaign – stickers, window clings, video, etc.
- 4. Linda Nelson Community Champion Awards – this celebration and ceremony will be occurring at the last SCCFC general membership meeting; recipients have been selected and notified; awards have been designed (by Samish Nation) and local businesses/community members have assisted with providing other items for the celebration/ceremony; Lyndie is creating agenda and acknowledgements (to recipients and those who donated items)

Round Table Updates:

1. Elizabeth Morgan – certified to offer triple P level 2 services, which is 3 seminars; this is in addition to the in-home services they provide
2. Head start – has group/program for fathers – contact Ray Soriano
3. Catholic Community Services (CCS) and their Chemical Dependency program are moving to Peterson Rd. in Burlington – will be having open house; there is a youth counselor who will be working with the recovery court
4. Skagit EMS Council – providing presentation on distracted driving at the Cascade Mall this Friday FREE 11:00am; more information can be found at the Skagit EMS website
5. Brian Soneda – there is a needs assessment that is open until the end of June; looking for what the community likes/wants to see in a new library
6. Oasis Teen Shelter – their director is leaving and they are looking for a new director
7. Youth in Action Focus Group – participants will get a gift card; next week the group meets in Anacortes; in June the group meets in Mt. Vernon
8. Substance Abuse Committee – will be meeting today at the CHOP office in Sedro Woolley following SCCFC meeting.

Next SCCFC General Membership Meeting: June 18, 2014 9:00 am-10:30am

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