



## Home Visiting Investment Task Force

October 13th 8:30am - 10:30am

LINKS to tasks and HV plan: [Implementation Plan Tracking Document](#) and [HV Plan](#)

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### Welcome from Chairs

- Ida Rhodes welcomed the group and announced that new ECLC members have been appointed.
- Aaron Miller introduced Bitel Beyette, announced new positions posting soon, and discussed timing of getting the annual report to the legislature.
  - CDEC now has an office space at CDPHE.
  - Rules review is coming up, and will probably happen in December. Send rules change ideas to Aaron ahead of the meeting.
  - Professional development opportunities are available through Parent Possible.

### Welcoming New Members

- The task force members and attendees introduced themselves.

### MIECHV Reauthorization Update - *See recording for full presentation*

- Everything is on track to be reauthorized by the end of the year.
- Generally speaking MIECHV funding has been flat, which has resulted in constricting budgets as state capacity grows. This is no longer the case!
  - This is slated to expand from \$7.7M to \$9.3M in 2023, with a growing match coming from the State of CO increasing through 2029.

### Aaron Leavy and Trent on Data - *See recording for full presentation*

- Capacity, and the overarching goal set at the start of this for capacity increase, is a difficult thing to measure.
  - If the initial number of 1,700 additional spots wasn't informed by data, what is the new number we should be shooting for? Should we be reframing this goal?
  - **Response:** We're looking to increase capacity by a percentage along with an increase overall in actual families being served.
- Viable/ideal capacity is a number that varies between models as they assess their staff's caseload potential.
- Home visiting agencies and staff were asked what capacity would be realistic to each model.
  - Most models like looking at a current estimate of FTEs multiplied by their individual capacity numbers (8, 12, etc. clients) to determine site capacity.
  - Some models have FTE numbers, others don't currently track it.

- How do we assess this capacity? The budgeted capacity (potential maximum capacity) vs. the real capacity (how many staff are currently there) needs to be considered.
- A number of people mentioned they were concerned about repercussions if metrics are not met, but are interested in being involved.
- Models could lower their capacity due to staff burden, which would alter these numbers. This speaks to the importance of understanding that capacity isn't the end-all-be-all of the conversation around maximizing capacity and quality service.
- Models are all measuring a large amount of data. It's aggregating that data and making it consistent across models that is the challenge.

### **Planning for quarterly meetings and documents which are due to ECLC**

- The proposed 2023 meeting dates work.
  - Upcoming meetings:
    - December 1st, 2022,
    - March 23rd, 2023,
    - May 18th, 2023,
    - July 20th, 2023
    - October 26th, 2023

### **Program Updates and Announcements**

- PAT National is about to launch a rebranding effort.
- FRC is starting to let stakeholders know that Mark Kling is leaving his position in 2023.
- Healthy Steps is about to add its 27th and 28th site this fall, with another 2 - 4 expected in 2023. Additional site expansions are also occurring with the goal of reaching 25% of kids by 2024.
- The Colorado Home Visiting Coalition is trying to create a pilot home visiting
  - Christina Walker is now working with Healthier Colorado. Their recent publication on youth mental health has specific call-outs to HV and 2Gen.
- HIPPY International is hosting a HV gathering for Spanish speaking home visitors and coordinators. This is the third year they're doing this, and gives a great opportunity for home visitors to exchange information.
  - There is a new site for West Montezuma/Delores counties that will start serving families in the next week.
- SafeCare has been focused on supporting the full continuum of services through partnering with CDHS.

### **Close and Next Steps**

- Ida and Aaron thanked the task force members, Senator Fields, and all attendees for their contributions.