

## Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Working Group



August 22nd, 2023 | 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM MDT | Via Zoom | Agenda

### Minutes

#### **Meeting Objectives**

- Inform the working group on the progress of the three implementation teams (1) Coordinated Intake and Referral Systems (CIRS); (2) Early Childhood and Health Care Partnerships; (3) Equity Planning
- Provide time for implementation teams to continue work on goal-oriented work.
- Gather public comment on the CO-ECCS Project, including feedback and ideas for the project and relevant resources related to the project.

#### **Attendees**

Gina Botti, Lilith Huff-Munoz, Dawn Newby,, Ashleigh Kirk, Eileen Auer Bennett, Sena Harjo, Meghan Leclerc, Marian Bussey, Tanya Weinberg, Gina Robinson, Michele Coates, Cassi Niedziela, Paul Presken, Yinka Ajirotutu, Ebony White, Kristen Lang, Theresa Rapstine, Lisa Blake, Sarabeth Upson, Suman Mathur, Carsten Baumann, Ilesha Mitchell, Rachel Hutson, Christal Garcia, Sandra Stenmark, Lenita Hartman, Cristina Bejarano, Alison Mathis, Amanda Culbertson, Anisa Ben Idris, Shannon Wilson, Anna Neal, Christina Walker, Ayelet Talmi, Alisha Lacombe-Emile, Theresa Kledzik, Melissa Buchholz, Jennie Munthali, Tiffani Domokos, Kim McDevitt, Heather Craiglow, Deb, Shannon Wilson

#### **Welcome & Updates**

Led by Dawn Newby

Introduce Mary, Illuminate Colorado's new Strategic Initiative Associate supporting with ECCS.

#### **Approve Last Meeting's Minutes**

Led by Dawn Newby

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Participants were asked if there are any objections or edits that need to be made to the notes. No objections were made. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### Implementation Team Presentations

1. CIRS - Eileen Auer Bennett, Assuring Better Child Health and Development
  - a. Focus work on electronic referral system (pilot with Salud and pre-pilot with Denver Health through CDPHE)
  - b. Focus on parent engagement checklist (across all work and developmental screening for families accessing services)
  - c. Share [family engagement framework](#)\*\*
  - d. Working with Paul in use cases to help build pathways and touch points to inform future work
  - e. Ask: Would like group feedback on checklist once complete to determine accessibility/what TA would you need for implementation (timeline for the new year)
2. Partnerships - Christina Walker, Healthier Colorado
  - a. Supporting CDEC to update birth through 5 strategic plan - looking to finalize after today's meeting and annual review each summer
  - b. Ask: access/support with data for specific populations and access to care, would love to know what places we may need more data
  - c. Next focus: creating comprehensive list of policies for CO to adopt related to child/perinatal health and wellbeing
    - i. What is CO currently doing well and where are there gaps?
3. Use Cases - Paul Presken, Colorado Health Institute
  - a. Building out use cases for scenarios to anticipate future needs in connecting to EI systems
  - b. Goal to have completed by September, seeing alignment in interviews for areas of opportunities in EI referrals
4. Equity - Tanya Weinberg, Early Milestones Colorado / Solutions Consulting Co.
  - a. Overall goal to create Early Childhood Equity Action Plan that may be applicable across systems
  - b. Created SWOT and used to build focus groups and interview guides to gather info from families and providers in healthcare/early childcare systems
  - c. Ask: feedback once plan is fully drafted end of 2023/beginning of 2024
  - d. Focus on centering community members with lived experience to inform on further actions from SWOT
  - e. On-site visit on 9-15 to finalize Equity Action Plan
  - f. Assessment phase of liberatory design model to prepare for Action Plan phase

## Public Comment

NA

Any additional public comment to be recorded in the notes can be emailed to Dawn Newby: [dnewby@illuminatecolorado.org](mailto:dnewby@illuminatecolorado.org)

## Implementation Team Breakouts

Participants selected their implementation breakout:

1. [Coordinated Intake and Referral Systems](#)
2. [Early Childcare and Health Care Partnerships](#)
3. [Equity Planning](#)

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### Coordinated Intake and Referral Systems Implementation Team

Detailed Notes on [CIRS Team Running Meeting Notes](#)

#### Family Engagement Checklist Follow Up

**Draft Version:**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/11uD8KNJ3u4EOgaeUod-9kYnObNN8ykvbAXmZS12qf00/edit>

Team took 10 min to review and read independently.

Team then split up into two groups to review the following sections:

1. General & Family Centered led by Amanda Culbertson
2. Inclusiveness led by Eileen Auer Bennett

In each group they gathered feedback and ideas from team members to continue to build and refine the language in the checklist.

**Clean version:**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mcjNokmKec-vZvo2\\_1dDTCKMIRvOCADxPK7CgLHiU5U/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mcjNokmKec-vZvo2_1dDTCKMIRvOCADxPK7CgLHiU5U/edit)

Action items:

- N/A

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### Early Childhood and Health Care Partnerships Implementation Team

Colorado Early Childhood Strategic Plan Focus Group - Review Strategies

- [Reminder of the Early Childhood Strategic Plan process](#) - Reviewed the slides
- Strategies that have the most relation to the work of the ECCS grant. Recommend changes to existing strategies:

- 1.1.2
- 1.1.6
- 1.2.5
- 1.2.6
- 2.2.3
- 3.1.7
- 4.1.1
- 6.2.6
- 6.2.7
- If time: 2.2.1, 4.2.3, 5.1.3, 6.1.2
- Notes have been captured from the discussion in the [excel document](#).

Action items:

- Continue to add to [List of Policy Agendas/Ideas](#)

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### Equity Planning Implementation Team

- Identity Walk: Power and Privilege Activity
  - Identity Discussion
- Project Plan Reminder
  - May-August: Conduct Focus Groups/Interviews
  - September: Finalize SWOT
  - October-December: Action Plan Training
- Survey Update
  - Developed survey to gather additional questions from org admin members and those with lived experience
  - Information will be added to SWOT for onsite meeting
- Focus Groups Close-out
  - Completion of six focus groups
  - Any more focus groups scheduled?
- Onsite Plans
  - September 14th, 1-5 pm, virtual and onsite, 8 workgroup members, 2 virtual
  - Venue will be in Denver, TBD
  - Agenda
    - Refine and finalize SWOT as a group
    - Starting point for next phase of work, action plan
    - Discuss what is next?

- SWOT Review
  - What feels true to you - what have you seen or experienced that is reflected here?  
What makes sense to you?
  - Is there anything that is missing the mark, or feels wrong or incorrect to you?
  - What are you learning that is new to you?
  - What's missing? What have you seen or experienced that isn't here?
  - What questions or wonderings are you left with?

Action items:

- SCCo will send out pre-work to prepare for onsite
- Survey will be sent out and feedback added to SWOT
- Venue will be finalized for September 14th onsite

**Next Steps & Adjourn**

Closed by co-chairs in implementation team breakouts

Actions for participants to do following the meeting:

1. Provide Immediate Feedback to August's Meeting
2. Any tasks set in implementation teams

**Resources**

[ECCS Working Group Charter \(21-22\)](#)  
[Logic Model](#)  
[Final ECCS-CO Grant](#)  
[System Asset and Gaps Analysis](#)  
[Strategic Plan - Jan 2023](#)

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Notes & Meeting Materials)  
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There are 20 grantees.