Public Health Advisory Board

Nurse-Family Partnership® Subcommittee

Minutes - Regular Meeting

Date:Friday April 1st, 2022Time:10:30 am - 12:00 pmLocation:Virtual via GoToMeeting:

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Item 1: Call to Order

Amy Pendergast called the meeting to order at 10:34 am.

Members in attendance (5): Laura Dougan (PHAB Representative), Katie Taylor (Planned Parenthood), Liz Poole (First 5 Shasta), Celia Snell (Shasta Community Maternity Center), Karen Gryszan (Shasta Community Maternity Center)

Members not in attendance (3): Sue Morehouse (Community Faith), Chelsey Chappelle

(Probation), Cindy Vogt (CHYBA)

Facilitator: Amy Pendergast (Shasta County HHSA)
Note Taker: Serena Privett (Shasta County HHSA)

HHSA Staff Present: Denise Hobbs, Christopher Buhler, Kristen Shearer

Guests: none in attendance.

Item 2: Welcome/Introductions

Everyone attending the meeting introduced themselves.

Item 3: Public Comment Period

No Public Comment was given.

Item 4: Action: Approve minutes from November 2021

A quorum was present to approve the minutes from February 1st, 2022 meeting.

Motion: Member Celia, seconded by Member Laura, made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 1st, 2022, meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Item 5: Addressing Gaps in NFP Client Services

Member Denise shared a PowerPoint addressing what do we see and how do we address the issues with NFP program. Issue included of lack of affordable childcare, long waitlists, positive ASQ3 & ASQ SE's have limited follow up for Graduating NFP Families, lack of housing, lack of transportation for most of our clients, increased number of families leaving the program earlier due to nurses not being able to locate families, social connections being essential to form through referrals to local services, and issues with dental services including inconsistent information amongst

healthcare providers, limited Denti-Cal providers, and long waitlists. Denise requested from the group any input on the identified gaps and if there were any missing linkages that NFP could improve these processes. Member Liz explained the Help Me Grow referral button website that can be used by parents or providers. No other comments were noted.

Item 6: 10-year celebration of Shasta County NFP

Member Amy provides update. North State Parent magazine will feature 10-year celebration focusing on the benefits of home visits. It will be a print version resource guide. Client stories and graduate stories are being explored along with media and podcast avenues for interviews. Member Denise offered having a nurse home visitor and a client come to the next meeting to speak to their experiences if the committee thought this would be helpful. Members Christopher and Laura agreed.

Item 7: Updates from members

Member Denise shared since the committee last met, there has been an increase in referrals. Variety of sources: Shasta Community Maternity Center, Child welfare, self-referrals, TANF/eligibility. Currently 90 clients enrolled in the program. Graduates coming up: 5 families. One vacancy for home visitor, looking for a recruitment. Many nurses were diverted to COVID activities. Member Chris shared that the CalWORKS building is opened to the public for full services for first time since the pandemic started. Member Liz shared that the Week of Young Child is starting this weekend through next weekend, asked if we could share the link, and reminded the committee that they can contact her program to ask for calendars. Projects grants up to \$5,000 open Monday, \$15,000 in total to award.

<u>Item 8</u>: CalWORKS Update: Chris Buhler shared that the program finally hit double digits in number of families able to serve. Target is 25 families. Brought on a new analyst. Funding announcement: hasn't changed since last fiscal year.

<u>Item 9:</u> Confirm Next Meeting Date: August 5th, 2022, from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (in-person) (panel agreed in-person if it is safe to)

Item 10: Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17am