

**OHIO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL
CHILDREN AND HEALTH COMMITTEE**

May 7, 2015

**Doubletree Newark Hotel
Newark, Ohio**

MINUTES

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Bill Adelsberger	X
Neil Castilow, Chair	X
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Roxanne Richardson	X
Ilka Riddle	
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Michael Schroeder	X
Mark Smith	X
Joanna Spargo	X
Kimberly Stultz	X

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mark Seifarth
Douglas Frank
Sue Willis
Jill Radler

GUESTS

Kellie Brown

STAFF

Kay Treanor
Paul Jarvis
Carolyn Knight

Call to Order and Approval of Minutes: Chair Neil Castilow called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Following introductions, Neil called for approval of the September minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Karen/ Mike. The minutes were approved as written.

Old Business / New Business: Kay provided updates on the Children's and Health Committee grantees. The Co-ordinating Center of Excellence in dual diagnosis for individuals with MI/DD grant is on target. Mike said several trainings for professionals were held to expand knowledge and practice to the MI/DD population. Technology is being used to train direct support staff through modules. Continuous improvement has been made to telepsychiatry by enhancements of high resolution and high speed internet.

Kay also provided an update on the evidence based early intervention in Ohio and the progress of the grant. Kay provided a brief overview of organizational changes at the Ohio Department of Health. The change provides for separate supervision over two parts of Help Me Grow through the division of Part C and Home Visiting/ Service Coordination. Additionally, BCMH and other programs had major changes to leadership. Details are still being worked out. The work of the grant continues to promote progression of EBEI teaming across Ohio. Most recently the grant provided training to 23 EI professionals on advanced coaching skills for supervision and team building. The trainees spent two days with Dr. Sheldon and Dr. Rush to learn how to be better leaders of evidence based practices in early intervention. DODD and ODH consultants were also invited to participate in the training.

2017–2021 State Plan Development. Kay started the conversation on possible ideas for projects for the State Plan by providing an overview of the process. She emphasized the need for funding projects that are systemic, new and unexplored, and statewide in nature. All committee members participated in a lively discussion. Possible ideas and projects to fund produced from the discussion were:

- Improved and accessible dental care for both children and adults. Tim Farwell at Nisonger is a resource for this subject. Council has funded several dental projects in the past.
- Address health disparities and create solutions for the IDD population.
- Promote trauma informed care by primary care physicians
- Drug abuse and child care. Families need education. The Governor's Cabinet was suggested as a resource for more information.
- Promote quality child care for kids with DD. Look at what kind of teacher training exists and what Step Up to Quality indicators are addressing this.
- Drug impacted babies and their care. There are some programs across the state addressing this issue including Bridget's Path in Dayton. Wright State is also working with this issue.
- Promote sign language as a second language to increase the possibility for better communication and inclusion of those kids that use ASL to communicate.

Agency Reports: With little time left agency representatives were asked to share matters of importance. Mark Smith, representative for ODE, spoke on the expansive budget for Medicaid in Schools. Mark reported Medicaid funds will provide for nurse aides, personal care, and transportation. Additionally Mark mentioned several other health related initiatives for schools that are being worked on.

Roxanne Richardson, representative for DODD, informed the group the phase-out of the TDD waiver has begun.

Due to a shortage of time, Kay asked any other information agency representatives would like to share with the committee be sent to her and she would distribute.

Adjournment: Neil called for a motion for adjournment. Motion to end the meeting was made, Kim/ Mike. The meeting adjourned at 2:35pm.