

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

**May 5, 2016
Doubletree Hotel
Newark, Ohio**

MINUTES

MEMBERS

Bill Adelsberger	X
Neil Castilow, Chair	X
Diane Cox	
Karen Kerr	X
Lori Kershner	
Laura Leach	X
Heather McFarlin	X
Paula Rabidoux	X
Jill Radler	X
Ilka Riddle	
Rochelle Hall-Rollins	
Mark Smith	X
Joanna Spargo	X
Kimberly Stults	X

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Blane O'Leary

VISITOR

Kellie Brown
Brenda Stevens
Betsy O'Leary
Carly McVey
Laura Maddox

STAFF

Kay Treanor
Carolyn Knight
Paul Jarvis

Call to Order and Approval of Minutes: Chair Neil Castilow called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Neil called for approval of the March minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made Paula/Karen. The minutes were approved as written with Jo Spargo, Bill Adelsberger, and Mark Smith abstaining.

Presentation: The committee heard a presentation on the OCALI Autism Certification Center. Carly McVey and Laura Maddox, program Co-Directors provided an overview and handouts. Highlights of the information shared on Autism Certification Center follows:

- The Autism Certification Center provides online video training that is based on evidence based interventions.
- The modules were developed in consultation with a panel of internationally renowned experts. The training provides practical information and skills from multiple research-based approaches.
- ASD online modules gives families and service providers tools to ensure they are equipped to effectively care for, support, educate, employ, or work with individuals on the autism spectrum from early childhood to young adulthood.
- The Autism Certification Center and its contents were funded by DODD, ODE, and others.
- Participants are provided a certificate for each module upon completion.
- There are four courses available; Introduction, Toddler and Preschool, School age, and Transition age to young adulthood.
- Videos are structured to insure maximum understanding of materials presented by asking participants to respond to questions online.
- The modules work well on mobile devices and can be viewed and completed at the convenience of the participant.
- Over 6000 participant accounts have been registered at this time.

For more information or questions go to <https://autismcertificationcenter.org/>

New Business/ Old Business: Kay reported on public feedback received on the Children's and Health State Plan Language. No feedback was received on the Better Child Care for the Student with DD project. For the Family Support in Early Intervention project we received only one comment that supported the need to use an evidence based approach.

The Healthy Lifestyles for People with DD project received one comment suggesting an emphasis on evidence based research as done by the University of Oregon and the University of Illinois and other minor modifications to the language. The committee discussed the input provided and decided not to make any revisions as it would change the meaning and intent of the original plan language.

Agency and Partner Updates:

Mark Smith, representing the Ohio Department of Education, reported on an ongoing

policy issue around Medicaid in School services and their reimbursement. Mark said school districts are being asked to have medical personnel certify that a student needs PT/OT/ SP therapies or Medicaid will not reimburse for services provided. Mark said this is a complicated issue with many stakeholders at the table. It is unknown at this time what the result will be on policy.

Laura Leach, representing the Office of Medicaid reported on several changes to waiver services. She said coverage for nursing under waivers was going well with CMS along with the IO waiver renewal that is upcoming. New services have been added to several of the waivers including Level 1, IO and the SELF waivers. Information on the changes will be available in the upcoming issue of the Pipeline.

Paula Rabidoux, representing the OSU Nisonger Center, reported there will be a ribbon cutting for the accessible playground. Paula reported Doctor Hellings is leaving Nisonger and they are in the process of looking for a replacement for her. Paula said Nisonger is now working with DODD and ODDC on the Family Support Community of Practice grant for Ohio.

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