OHIO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL CHILDREN AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

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<u>Call to Order and Approval of Minutes</u>: Chairman Karen Kerr called the meeting to order at 1:00pm with introductions. Approval of the July minutes was not made due to a lack of a quorum.

<u>Presentation:</u> Professor Laurie Dinnebeil PhD from the University of Toledo presented on Project Open House/ Better Child Care for the Student with DD. Laurie provided an overview of the grant work and upcoming plans for activities for FY2019. Some of the highlights of the presentation were:

- Laurie spoke on the three primary goals of the grant that pose barriers to center and home-based inclusive child care for both providers and families seeking the service.
- The grantee developed three surveys to help better understand the different factors across Ohio for parents, educators, and child care directors around the inclusion of young children with DD and how best to support these groups.
- The grantee collected approximately 1000 completed surveys on inclusive child care in Ohio.
- Child care subsides provided through ODJFS for students with DD are not being utilized. Often both providers and families are not aware subsides are available.
- Laurie spoke on several different activities planned for the upcoming grant year. There was a great deal of conversation around the need to increase the utilization of ODJFS child care subsidies.

There is additional information in the full 13-page PDF attached below.



Old Business/ New Business: Kay provided an update to the continuing efforts of the Community of Practice for Supporting Families of Individuals with DD. DODD and ODDC have extended their partnership in receiving a grant from the national organization for Ohio that will provide technical assistance in efforts to building a system of support for families and individuals with DD.

<u>Agency and Partner Updates:</u> Paula Rabidoux, representative for the OSU Nisonger Center, provided the following updates:

- The adult Down Syndrome Clinic is continuing to provide services through a team model and would like to increase participation in the program.
- Additional people with DD are needed to participate in community forums on state health assessment.
- Nisonger has completed and published core competencies of health care standards for professionals serving people with DD. The document supports increased preparation for professionals.

Adjournment: Karen called for a motion for adjournment. Motion to end the meeting was made, Rochelle/ Paula. The meeting adjourned at 2:30pm.