

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes Draft
04.12.19

Members present: Leigh Anne Norman, Gina Easterly, Jay Isch, Ariel Bumbala, Olivia Lee, Theresa Nicholls, Jimmy Gore, Dr. Zganjar, Terri Ibieta, Danielle Mercer, and Wendy Jumonville.

Review of Minutes: Jimmy Gore motioned to accept minutes from 1.25.19, seconded by Theresa Nicholls. Minutes accepted.

EHDI Program Updates: Provided by Program Director Susannah Boudreaux: Review of program goals, 1-3-6 and national EHDI Guidelines and JCIH recommendations. Review of program funding sources- HRSA/CDC and the requirements that accompany the funding. Review of Advisory Council composition and role. Discussion about Deaf Mentorship activities and upcoming presentation to the AAP by Ariel Bumbala and Dr. Choo. Update on the current planning status of CMV awareness in Louisiana and discussion among Council of ideas to consider moving forward. Review of the family information form and discussion about parent feedback. Update on completed website revisions and recognition of the LAEHDI website winning top 5 nationwide- 3 years in a row. Final program update included Hands & Voices information regarding the upcoming Spring Picnic.

Council Vacancies: Neonatologist, Otolaryngologist, and Hospital Administrator and Council Chair and Vice Chair position vacancies. Discussion of Council regarding nominees and vacancies. Gina Easterly nominated Leigh Anne Norman for the position of Chair. Jimmy Gore nominated Jay Isch for Vice Chair. Leigh Anne Norman nominated Theresa Nicholls for the position of Vice Chair and Jay Isch nominated Ariel Bumbala for the position of Chair. All nominations were accepted and the Council voted. Majority vote resulted in Leigh Anne Norman-Chair and Jay Isch- Vice Chair.

Learning Community Updates: Provided by Program Manager Terri Ibieta: Review of requirement for Learning Community mandated by HRSA funding. Update on long term goal of a Care Coordination Took Kit. The toolkit is designed to support physicians in leading informed and positive discussions with families – focusing on the abilities of the child regardless of the diagnosis. It also guides physicians in ensuring that families receive the recommended intervention services and are active participants in their child’s language and communication development. Feedback and discussion from Council.

Newborn Hearing Screening Training Curriculum: Provided by EHDI Audiologist Wendy Jumonville: Presentation of screening curriculums and protocols statewide. National Training Curriculum listed on NCHAM’s website had previously been sent to Council members to gather feedback. Council discussed curriculum and processes that take place during newborn hearing screenings.

Community Updates: Jay Isch provided an update about Deaf Focus-Kidz Kamp. Susannah Boudreaux provided an update about the H&V Spring Picnic.

Meeting Adjourned: With no further business to discuss, Jay Isch motioned to adjourn, seconded by Gina Easterly. Meeting was adjourned at 2:02pm.

Next meeting date is 7.26.19 from 12pm- 2pm in Bienville, 628 North 4th St Baton Rouge La 70802 in room 173.