



Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2017 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation
451 Lexington Pkwy. N
Saint Paul, MN 55104

Facilitator: Sara Oberg, Chair

Attendees:

Recorder: Darcia Dierking

Kathy Anderson, Joan Boddicker, Joscelyn Martin, Abby Meyer, Linda Murrans, Gloria Nathanson, Sara Oberg, Anna Paulson, Emilee Scheid, Lisa Schimmenti, Kara Tempel, Sonny Wasilowski, Jay Wyant

Absent: Nicole Brown, Teresa Buck, Mary Cashman-Bakken, Kirsten Coverstone, Tina Huang, Peggy Nelson, Michael Severson

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION POINTS/DECISIONS/NEXT STEPS
<p>1. Welcome and Announcements</p> <p>Sara Oberg, Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of agenda for meeting and following EHDI celebration Members voted to approve minutes from previous meeting. Gloria Nathanson and Kathy Anderson, Vice Chair candidates, gave remarks about why they would want to be considered for the role. Committee members voted for vice-chair candidates by paper ballot Lisa Schimmenti announced national EHDI meeting and national EHDI legislation was reauthorized with funding at previous level
<p>2. MN Hands & Voices</p> <p>Laura Godfrey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laura introduced herself as new manager of MN Hands and Voices. They have made several staffing changes, lots of hiring, shifting, and training. New database with web-based platform with automatic reporting system for metrics they track. This is a work in progress to make the system work for MNHV needs. Reported referral numbers over last 6 years and served over 1000 families. They bring a teddy bear to every child at their visit. Goal to connect with families within one month of diagnosis Large portion of families over age 1. Needs of families are different if they have children older than newborns New public facing website and working on putting events on website Also using Facebook and Instagram Deaf awareness patch for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts Opportunities for parents and professionals were described
<p>3. D/HH Collaborative & Conference</p> <p>Anna Paulson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anna gave report on Collaborative Experience Conference to bring all stakeholders together in a learning environment. Had a group of 21 new parents that were not also representing a professional group serving children who were deaf or hard of hearing (DHH). Invited speakers from Gallaudet, University of Iowa and others. Overall, participants were satisfied with learning and collaboration opportunities Update on Collaborative Plan. Birth to Age 5 group: worked to make the MDH EHDI parent resource binder in electronic format and available online. Annual review of binder materials every August. School-age group: Made webinars for parents by parents to make language and communication focused IEPs. Made mini-lessons for professionals. Review accessibility of MCA testing tools. Transition Age Group: Goal for summer transition camp and some review of national resources. Anna answered questions about dissemination of materials to Teachers of Deaf/Hard of Hearing (TODHH).

<p>4. MNScreen Update</p> <p>Amy Gaviglio</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was need for better reporting methods due to history of errors over the years. Electronic reporting through MNScreen was described, including automatic transfer of demographics and hearing screening results. • Every birth hospital in Minnesota is using this now. • Able to use metrics now for quality assurance. • Described undocumented hearing results workflow. • Described targeted education/re-education efforts hoped to improve loss to follow-up. • MNScreen has availability to capture more information. Review by staff of data elements and to build a user-friendly reporting module and get feedback from end users • Goal to connect with vital records with direct link and expanded to include risk factors and parent demographics
<p>5. Topics / Partner Updates for Next Agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathy Anderson: focus on efforts for diverse cultures and languages
<p>6. Closure</p> <p>Sara Oberg, Chair</p>	<p>Election Results – Kathy Anderson was elected to be next vice-chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Advisory Committee Meeting: February 7, 2018 <i>LOCATION:</i> Amherst H. Wilder Foundation 451 Lexington Pkwy. N Saint Paul, MN 55104 • Adjournment