

**ESSENTIALS FOR CHILDHOOD
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**JANUARY 4, 2018
9 AM TO 11 AM**

9:00 – 9:05 **Introductions**
Michelle Ries and Catherine Joyner

9:05 – 9:20 **Working Group and Other Activities Updates and Planning**

Pathways - Data Action Team

NCIOM will be working with NCECF to facilitate a gaps analysis re: data collection for Pathways. Scope of work includes:

- Facilitate a gaps analysis process that reviews what data we have and what data we are missing. For each missing measure or each measure that has only poor quality data, the Agenda will include:
 - Why it is not available/poor quality
 - How it could be collected/improved
 - Who would collect it/improve it (agency)
 - What that would take (resources – time, money, personnel)
 - What would need to happen to trigger data collection (e.g., legislation, agreement with state agency)
- Make recommendations to the Data Advisory Council on prioritization of data collection/improvement.

Trauma Informed Practices Work Group

Chair: George (Tripp) Ake, PhD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Duke University Medical Center and an Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry in the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine

This work group focused on trauma-informed schools and initiatives to support learning about trauma and its impact on children and development within school and early care and education settings. The basic goals of the group are: 1) sharing innovative practices; 2) reaching consensus on language about trauma; 3) producing a comprehensive literature review to inform the conversation; 4) determining next steps for dissemination and development of evaluation process for trauma-informed practices in school and early care and education settings.

Over the course of 2 meetings in Fall 2017, we convened approximately 30 individuals from schools, administration/state agencies, philanthropy, and other related fields.

At the October 5 meeting, Catherine Joyner and Michelle Ries introduced Essentials for Childhood and goals of working group; heard presentations of and discussed ongoing initiatives addressing trauma in school and early education settings; and begun discussion of challenges of shared vocabulary on trauma, adverse childhood experiences, and their impacts.

At the November 9 meeting, the work group reviewed Essentials for Childhood ongoing activities and goals of working group; gained understanding of work underway in early education to address trauma and toxic stress; and developed a shared understanding of issues pertaining to evaluation and dissemination of trauma-informed practices in school and early education settings.

Next steps for the group include connection with the statewide trauma-informed state work group, and informing NCIOM literature review on trauma-informed practices in public school and early education.

Evidence-Based Practices Work Group:

Co-chairs: Jeff Quinn (Director of Community Resources, Durham Connects, Duke Center for Child and Family Policy) & Tony Troop (Program Manager, Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program, Division of Public Health, Children & Youth Branch, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services)

The Evidence-based Programs Work Group is working to increase support for aligning evaluation and RFP processes across agencies and organizations, starting with a home visiting program pilot project.

The work group met with Nancy Henley, CMO, Division of Medical Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services, to discuss the development of a plan to implement Medicaid coverage for home visiting programs for pregnant women and families with young children (NCGA SB429 2017).

The group plans to convene a group of funders for home visiting programs in spring 2018 to further inform the development of alignment strategies.

Next steps for group include:

NCIOM developing recommendations on alignment based on October meeting

Group to meet on Jan. 24.

Build this document into broader strategy for leadership buy in and outreach on implementation science and implementation of EBPs across state agencies, private funders, etc.

Collective Impact Learning Network, Jordan Institute of Social Work, UNC-CH

Michelle and Anne continue to participate in the Collective Impact Learning Network.

Violence Against Children Survey

We received word from Allen Dellepenna that the CDC would like NC to be involved in the pilot launch of this survey going forward. At an earlier meeting, DHHS and other stakeholders



identified Essentials for Childhood/NCIOM as a potential good fit for convening a stakeholder advisory group to inform the CDC's launch of this survey in NC. Adam, Michelle, and Anne spoke with Greta Massetti, CDC PI for the survey, on October 20, to discuss the scope and goals of this convening, whether we would be a good fit for the work, and next steps/timeline. We will be helping to convene experts once we hear from CDC on next steps

Essentials for Childhood Newsletter

We sent out the last newsletter on December 18. Highlights included a focus on the Duke Endowment strategic focus on early childhood, PCANC's community prevention plans, partner updates, and the launch of NCIOM's county health map.

CDC Reverse Site Visit and Ongoing Support

Michelle Ries, Adam Zolotor, Catherine Joyner, Kristin O'Connor, and Meghan Shanahan will attend the Essentials for Childhood Reverse Site Visit, hosted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on January 25-26, 2018. The reverse site visit brings together representatives from Essentials for Childhood collective impact initiatives in several states and provides opportunities for participants to discuss their successes and challenges with the implementation of the Essentials for Childhood collective impact framework. The NCIOM team and steering committee members continue to work with our CDC team to assess ongoing strengths and weaknesses of this collective impact initiative. We have participated in webinars on child/family services messaging, collective impact governance and infrastructure, and have received technical assistance from the CDC, as well as feedback and shared learnings from other Essentials funded states.

9:20 – 10:00 Brainstorm and Planning: NCIOM Convening of Essentials and Growing Up Well Task Forces – May 18

10:00 – 10:45 Communications Strategy: NCMJ Issue on childhood trauma

10:45 – 11:00 Next Steps and Scheduling