



Early Learning Program

Puget Sound Educational Service District

Center Director meeting

June 15, 2017

9am to 2:00pm

<http://www.earlylearningwa.org/index.php/for-staff/center-director-hub/center-director-meetings>

Welcome, Updates – Kay Lancaster, Talena Dixon, Cheryl Habgood, Mike Condardo,

New to meeting:

- Ashley Chiles – Lighthouse CDC
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Online Learning

 – Cheryl Habgood, Mike Condardo

- Mike gave a demonstration of the new online learning platform
- Directors will be able to access reporting system
- Will be updating courses to support different learning styles over the next 2 years
- Very important that rosters are kept up to date using the online Staff Information Forms found on ELWA
- Launch will be July 10 – courses for returning staff will be available until Sept 15
- Quizzes will still be required
- New employees to complete the first 5 asap and then have 3 months – will not be available on July 10
- Hopefully complete first 5 courses before they start working with children, if not, then as soon as possible
- Email is critical to this system, preferably a work email
- Cheryl will look into the DEL required courses to see if they can also be offered on this platform
- If they start with personal email you must update it through the online system once work email is active

My Teaching Strategies Platform

 – Merri McBride

- TS has redesigned their webpage and is rolling it out Aug 16
- Mobile friendly on any device
- Simplified report documents
- Access to online training supports
- Reports need to be run before Aug 16
- Try and generate checkpoints by Aug 10 before the change happens

Legislative Updates

 – Talena Dixon, Kay Lancaster

State

- In negotiations right now and it looks like we will get some slots
- Republicans are pushing for part-day
- We have to be able to get ahold of all ECEAP providers that applied for slots as we get a very short time to respond once the decision is made, please be sure we have your information if you will be off during the summer
- Let Talena know if you have a story about the subsidy issue



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- Possible state government shut down – DEL sent letter that our contract would be suspended June 30th if budget is not signed
- Includes subsidy dollars, those payments will stop
- No retroactive
- We will send out more information in the next couple of days

Federal

- Another Health Care Bill coming out of the House soon
- Potential cuts to maternal, infant and early childhood home visiting funds – different program than our ESD EHS HB program
- Currently no changes with HS, EHS, EHS-CCP
- Medicaid is huge funding issue also
- Send any stories of support to Kay or Talena

Center Calendars – Nathalie Jones

- Calendars have been updated on the Center Director page
- Please send to Tiffany Lyons tlyons@psesd.org before you leave for the summer or by June 14 at the latest

GOLD Data – Nathalie Jones, Pamela Raya-Carlton

- Completed checkpoints and finalized checkpoints are different
- If information for children are not complete in checkpoints they are not included in data
- Reviewed data at tables for all domains and by domain for center-wide data
- Reviewed data at tables for center-level data

Share back:

- Having more support for DLL children made a big difference
- Separating by ages is helpful

New Design Evaluation Input– Nathalie Jones, Laura Lynn

- Evaluation Team – Dr Laura Lynn, Nathalie Jones, Sarita Siqueiros Thornburg
- What you can expect
- Do evaluations with and for
- Looking and thinking from abundant worldview
- How to collaborate and do things in a different way
- Work in collaboration and cooperation
- Both/And thinking
- Focused on mission with a bias toward effectiveness
- Accountable and responsible relationships with broadly shared power become possible



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- Reflect on your practice, when are you most effective in that work?
- What values are evident during that work?
- What values do you want to see demonstrated in this evaluation?
 - Trust
 - Empowerment
 - Active listening – being present in the partnership
 - Partnership – ask questions, respect, no personal agendas

Next step

- Review all statements shared
- Draft design will be shared back with this group and ask for input

Team Assignments– Talena Dixon

- Criteria for creating teams:
 - Geographic grouping
 - Equalizing workloads
 - Consolidating funding streams where possible
 - ESD/site staff relationships
- Team introductions
- Transition planning to new teams
- More info in Aug/Sept Connector
- EHS-CCP sites will continue to work with their current EHS-CCP team (Decca, Emily, Carrie, Ashley)
- We will update the team assignment summary sheet as changes happen and new people get hired and send that out
- Disabilities and Mental Health will be added
- ECEAP sites have to hire an outside Mental Health and Nurse Consultant
- 2 Education coaches – because of Head Start Performance Standards we need to offer more intense services and requirements are very specific for ECEAP and HS
- Monitoring team will be responsible for monitoring and are not assigned to specific sites
- Email Talena or Kay if you have questions or wondering

HN Safety Updates – Cheryl Polasek

- Head Start
 - Immunizations
 - 45-day screenings – continue with data worksheets
 - Uploading forms to ChildPlus
 - SD communication/update – met with School Nurse Corp nurse at ESD and working on communication to go out to school districts, center directors will be copied
- Child Health Plans need to be signed off by an RN



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- Medications skills training by RN – agenda will be sent out
- Medication storage – Cheryl P is seeking clarification of where that can be kept

Acknowledgements – Kay Lancaster

- A year of transitions
- New HS grant – reduced funding
- New design process – more in line with our goals
- Leading with racial equity – more trainings during meetings
- Acknowledged the new center directors
- 2 subcontracts that will not continue:
- Northshore Center for Human Services – collaborated with Northshore SD – SD they will take the slots from Center for Human Services
- Puyallup YWCA of Pierce & Kitsap county – will be leaving for now – they need to do some reorganization and may be back in the future

ESD staff that will not continue under New Design

- Tina Horner
- Caitlin Young
- Alex Auguste
- Nathalie Jones – will be with us through August
- Nicole Chu – has taken another position within the ESD

Input Gathering – Kay Lancaster

Purpose of CD meetings:

- Information sharing
 - Professional learning/capacity building
 - Input gathering & feedback
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- Input and feedback sheets were passed out for CDs to fill out and hand in.