Youth Engagement and Serving Organization (YESO)
Committee Meeting Minutes

August 9th, 2017
9:00 am to 10:30 am
Thurman Adams State Service Center, N. Entrance
546 S. Bedford Street, Georgetown, DE 19947

Mission: The YESO Committee exists to positively impact and promote healthy outcomes for children/families through collaboration with key health community partners that empowers families to live healthy lifestyles.

9:00 am  Meeting Call to Order and Introductions


Review Meeting Minutes from last meeting by committee Chair.
Motion to Accept Minutes made by Mallory Stratton, Patricia Ayers seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as presented.

Action Items

Tie Regina into Drug Free Committee Work, invite her to the Stakeholders Meeting and to include data, zip codes to include Seafor and blades** (this is a to do for Cheryl)

Early Childcare Providers – Need Volunteers to help with Bag stuffing and Book Labeling

Invite Shannon to speak at the Behavioral Health Task Force (BHTF)
   ◦ Shannon Drijka, Program Supervisor, (302)827-3051, sdrijka@wraparoundde.com

September - La Esperanza - Sarah Shultz and Kerri Avalos will be our speakers

GUEST SPEAKER: Shannon Dreiak, Wraparound Delaware
   ◦ Several contracts Prevention Behavioral Health (PBH)
      ◦ Referred youth (tier 5) from PBH for youth and entire family
         ◦ Serving 10 kids in Sussex - expanding to 20 kids
      ◦ Youth ages 5-18 years old, can keep for up to two years (close at 18 years old)
      ◦ Address most underlying needs in the family with care coordination aimed at developing support for the family and preventing youth from being removed from school, family, and the community
      ◦ ~98% of behavior issues stem from prior trauma
      ◦ Bridging the gaps between home, teacher, connection, etc.
      ◦ Connecting kids with support groups
      ◦ Developing care plans aimed at the family's needs with all parties to coordinate efforts so everyone works as a team
Strength driven - update and keep crisis plans
- Full team meeting within 72 hours of what may have happened, ie trauma
- Care coordinator reaches out to organization or agency to meet with the family and create a plan of care/crisis plan to make a proactive plan to prevent further issues and address current one
- Flexible with meetings, can have meetings in parks/libraries: What works best for families?
- How does the communication start?
- Individual schools designate Wraparound Delaware to contact a key/pivotal person (nurse, counselor) regarding a student
- How do you coordinate in the after-school space?
  - Boys and Girls Club, key person (bond, good relationship standing) participate in the meeting to make sure they have a crisis plan with the family and care coordinator. Provide same kind of support outside school.
  - How can we create training for schools to be able to recognize how behaviors can come from underlying problems and how to address this to create a care plan?
  - Combining schools set plans in place regarding addressing an issue with Wraparound’s crisis plans -- signs that child may be escalating, prevention steps
  - Ex: If you see a child twitching/tapping as they are getting anxious or escalating from a trigger take X, Y, Z steps
- What can SCHC do?
  - Wraparound will continue attending meetings adding resources and building connections
  - Stay plugged into SCHC
  - Guest blogger opportunity
  - Family Shade
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GUEST SPEAKER: Regina Sidney-Brown, Delaware Afterschool Network
- Afterschool program teaches skills that could benefit them in adulthood
  - Long term relationships and engagement that takes them through their life
  - “Engagement before and after the school bell rings”
  - Charles Stewart Mott Foundation -
    - Individual's quality of life is connected to the well-being of community
    - Ensures availability of quality afterschool and summer learning opportunities
    - Recognizes that the time before and after school can provide children with critical opportunities to learn and succeed
    - Main objectives in quality of afterschool program
      - Policy and Partnerships
      - Quality and Innovation
  - Statewide Afterschool Network
    - Driving Force (Policy and advocacy)
    - Develop partnership (engagement)
    - Bring stakeholders together (conveyor)
    - Sharing best practices (quality and sustainability)
  - Network Activities
    - Raise awareness of the impact of afterschool, out of school and summer programs have on youth Successes
    - Gather, analyze, and share data to drive improvements in after-school practices and policies
    - Provide intentional and meaningful bridges between leaders of schools, communities and families to better support youth learning
  - Mission -
To expand and support high quality out of school programs, so children are safe, supervised and prepared to lead productive lives

- **Vision** -
  - A place where all k-12 youth have access to a high-quality learning experiences, before and after school, preparing them for academic success, tomorrow’s workforce, and becoming engaged community citizens

- **Strategy** -
  - Partnership and Policy
  - Sustainability
  - Quality

- **Leadership Council** -
  - Statewide leaders
  - Max. 11-member council
  - Providing strategic direction, fiscal guidance, support
  - Meets three times a year (Sept., Jan., May)

- **Steering Committee** -
  - Provides expertise and resources
  - Primarily focused on partnership/policy, sustainability and quality
  - Execute DEAN’s work plan
  - Champion afterschool issues

- Meets quarterly
- Cross-county/sector rep.
  - Min. 11-member committee

**Upcoming Events** -
- September - DEAN blast OFF
- September 25-27th - Back to School State Network Leads; Washington, DC
- October 26th - Lights on Afterschool

**Old Business/Updates:**

- **July Quarterly Meeting Update:**
  Positive, warm, inviting, engaging, inspiring environment promoting unity and collaborative, goal-oriented change

- **Healthy Kids Health Fair, Delaware State Fair, July 25, 2017:**

- **Follow up on Health Rocks Training: Mariah Gillespie**

  *Funding issue - we can educate and train people but cannot facilitate teaching/pay for teaching*

  Possibly having Public Health interns teach as part of their hours?
New Business

- Scott Michels - Youth Prevention Program
- Future Collaborations
- How can we involve the School Districts?

Partner Updates/Announcements

- **Special Invitation to all Committee Members:**
  - **August 18th, 2017 at Georgetown Library 10:30AM - 12:30PM - Zoe Ministries**
    - Scott Michels (The Cause)
      - Free training (leadership training) funded through the state
      - Training about opioids
      - Prevention messaging, making video
      - State competition
      - Peer to peer messaging
      - Trainings - 8-12 kids ages 13-19 years old
  - 2 ½ hours or all day
    - Early Childcare Providers - Bag stuffing
    - Looking for opportunities *BRAD* Grades 6-12
    - Bikes in the Park - Backpacks in Laurel 10:00 am
    - August 26th, Bedford Park in Georgetown - giving out backpacks - Parent must be with children to receive backpack
    - Book labeling via SCHC
    - Teen APP - youth friendly agencies on the App to educate and provide services regarding teen services, sexual health services and counseling services
      - September- La Esperanza - Sarah Shultz and Kerri Avalos will be our speakers
      - October- Patricia Ayers – Promoting cell phone app to educate and provide resources and help for teens. The app will cover: 1. Teen Service, 2. Sexual Health Service, 3. Counseling Services

Meeting date for YESO committee: September 13, 2017
Quarterly Meeting: October 19th - Next Quarterly Meeting (Education)