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**Consortium Mission:** The Eastern Iowa – Western Illinois Trauma Informed Care Consortium provides a comprehensive trauma-informed community for individuals, children and families through outreach, education, training and support.

**Consortium Theory of Change:** The understanding, treatment and reduction of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) leads to improved long-term well-being for children and families.

**"Consortium Connection Meeting Minutes"**

Date: May 28, 2015

Time: 12:00pm to 1:30pm

Location: United Way of the Quad Cities

**Program:**

Welcome and Introductions

**Present:** Nancy Maday, Kelly Bush, Jacqui Plumb, Leslee Cook, Christine Gradert, Mindy Foltz, Pat Barnes, Brooke Barnes, Ben Cleaveland, Sarah Walker, Amy Hunter, Shelley Klaas, Arin Jones, Anne McNelis, Rebecca Williams, Teresa Schenck, Eric Willis, Nicole Barnes, and Lindsey Hornbaker.

**Focus Areas:**

**Community Education**

▪ **Training Update**

*Mindy Foltz*

In the first seven months of Grant Year 2015 the Consortium has trained 1216 people. Last year a total of 1200 people were trained. Requests continue to come from a variety of entities but have slowed down for summer months.

▪ **Train the Trainer Plan**

*Nicole Barnes*

The *Train the Trainer* documents are completed and ready to assist in new Trainer development. 4 community members have expressed interest in becoming Trainers for the Consortium. Interested Trainers must complete an application and must successfully complete 2 trainings with an approved Consortium Trainer.

▪ **Lemonade for Life for Outreach Coordinators**

*Nicole Barnes*

Nicole Barnes is working with the Iowa Department of Public Health to bring the

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Lemonade for Life curriculum our area. Nicole attended a Train the Trainer session in May. The Lemonade for Life program seeks to translate ACEs research into practice. While the ACEs research is well known among practitioners, tools to support discussion of ACEs with families are lacking. To address this gap, the Lemonade for Life program trains professionals working with parents and caregivers on use of the ACEs Questionnaire to help prevent future exposure to ACEs and promote resiliency and hope.

▪ **MSW Trauma Classes**

*Christine Gradert*

Several universities are offering masters level trauma specific classes as regular course offerings for students (SAU, U of Iowa, USC, etc.) Christine is currently teaching, Trauma Informed Child Welfare Practice at SAU in the MSW program. Agencies were encouraged to explore internship placements of these students in their organizations. Many students are also completing their internship placements through the Consortium. If agencies have special TIC related projects they need assistance with they should contact Christine.

**Family Empowerment**

▪ **Family Panel Legislative Work**

*Christine Gradert*

Adam V. (SAU Consortium Intern) has been actively working to support the Family Panel's advocacy efforts during this legislative session. Families were provided the opportunity to speak directly with local legislative Representatives to voice their concerns and suggestions regarding services available to children with mental health needs. Family Panel members followed up with letters to the Representatives and a letter summarizing the Panel's suggestion was also submitted to the Legislators by Adam and Christine.

▪ **Search - Developmental Relationships Work**

*Christine Gradert*

The first phase of our work with CFGRB and Search Institute was completed in late December and the Consortium is now are moving onto phase two this summer. On June 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 11am at the CFGRB, Search will be providing an overview of our local survey data results for Scott and Rock Island County. All Consortium members are invited to attend. The Consortium partnership with CFGRB and Search Institute continue to be high value priority to support the resiliency building component of our work.

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▪ **Family Panel Conference**

*Nicole Barnes*

Scott County Kids, **4th Annual Family Conference “Smashing Stigmas through Hope and Opportunity”** was held on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Rogalski Center for parents and caretakers. The keynote speaker, Nicole Barnes, presented on the “Adverse Childhood Experiences and Trauma Informed Communities”. Afternoon breakout sessions included various presentations including another Consortium training, “Healing through the Senses,” presented by Sara Peirce. The conference was very successful and a special “Thank You” to the Scott County System of Care Family Panel, for inviting the Consortium to present.

**Community Competency**

▪ **Trauma-Sensitive Schools**

*Kelly Bush, Jacqui Plumb*

Kelly and Jacqui presented their MSW Capstone research project on Trauma Informed Schools. The project will assist schools with information on how to become trauma-sensitive. The Consortium is pleased to be working with Kelly and Jacqui to utilize the research as a “next steps” guide for schools following TIC training. Kelly, Jacqui and Consortium members will be working with the A.E.A. over the summer months to integrate the research into the existing AEA resource and support structure provided to schools.

▪ **Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Healthy Communities**

*Christine Gradert*

The Consortium was pleased to be represented as an important community component during a recent 2-day site visit in the Quad Cities for the Robert Wood Johnson, “Culture of Health” award. Selected from more than 340 communities across the country, the Quad Cities joins 14 other finalist. Winners will be announced this fall.

**Messaging & Marketing**

▪ **New Messaging Pieces**

*Christine Gradert*

Volunteer students from the 2015, Integrity Integrated Leadership class, selected the Consortium for their final project. The students helped create a short video that depicts childhood trauma and how everyone in the community can help reduce childhood stress through caring, link: <https://vimeo.com/128427913>, a post card that can be mailed, and a specially designed deck of educational

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playing cards that includes the Search 20 Developmental Family Relationship assets printed on the card backs. A special “thank you” to Mike Mickle, Family Focus Magazine, for donating resources to complete the video.

▪ **Family Focus Magazine**

**May – Mental Health Awareness Month**

*Christine Gradert*

The Consortium placed an article and info-graph on ACEs and children’s mental health in the May issue of Family Focus magazine. A special “thank you” goes to Jane Bahls for graciously volunteering to our author the article.

**Mechanisms for Change**

▪ **United Way Connections**

*Christine Gradert*

The Consortium and the United Way of East Central Iowa (Cedar Rapids Area) and the United Way of the Quad Cities Area met in May to discuss how our two communities have developed ACEs/TIC strategies on the Eastern side of the state and learn from each community efforts and push TIC out more into Iowa.

▪ **ICTS**

*Christine Gradert*

The Consortium, in partnership with the Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (ICTS) is working to develop our next state-wide collaborative meeting. This focus of this event is to bring together key leaders to discuss the ACE/TIC work occurring across the state and working toward an harnessing our efforts through collective impact.

▪ **Lemonade for Life Family Training**

*Nicole Barnes*

The Consortium has applied for grant funding to the University of Iowa, Institute for Clinical and Translational Science, to create a training program for in-home professionals and/or similar intervention service providers in the Lemonade for Life curriculum. If grant funding is received this work will begin late summer.

What **Action Steps** will be taken before the next meeting? N/A

Next Meeting Date: July23, 2015 from 12pm to 1:30pm at United Way.  
Lunch will be provided.

For more information on Consortium activities, please contact:

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